

PARTNERSHIP ACADEMY OF HEALTH SCIENCES ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
SEPT 14 2017

The meeting was called to order at 8:00am

**Introductions:** Doug Ihemls, vice principal at Strathmore HS, visited today to learn what a pathway advisory board meeting consists of.

Minutes from the August 17, 2017 meeting were approved

**Report on the Pathway Marketing meeting:** Gary Santos

Mr. Santos shared highlights of a meeting held Sept 6 at River Island Country Club to help recruit professionals in the community to assist in the pathways program. He played a new video produced showcasing the benefits of the pathways.

**Revised curriculum for PC nursing program:** Kim Behrens

Ms. Behrens reported on the changes that have been implemented in the nursing program with a emphasis on concept based, practical skills with less lectures. The current enrollment is 20 students per year but there is discussion to increase that in the future.

**Academy Lead Report:** Dr Kevin Elling

Dr Elling reported on the scheduled visit by Jerry Winthrop from the California Partnership Academy on Oct 11. Much of our funding comes from CPA and only the distinguished academies will most likely receive funding as their budget gets tighter.

NAF will also be coming for a visit in the future but no date is set yet. We have been a NAF distinguished academy for 3 years now.

He reported on the welcome back assembly. Many teachers presented messages including dress code, professionalism, and scholarships.

**Question about Students interested in Veterinary Medicine:** Dr Lord

Dr Lord reported on the dilemma of students pursuing veterinary medicine and their eligibility for scholarship money. Some donors have wondered why they would support students who would not be contributing to health care. It was agreed on that the donors should help set the criteria for awarding scholarships.

**Student Activity Report:** Pam Avila/ Jocelyn Contreras

Jocelyn discussed the TB testing that was done with over 200 students tested. There were pathway students that helped the Red Cross provide temporary shelter and meals at PC for those affected by the Pier fire. The student council interviewed freshman and got 8 applicants interested on serving on the council. Paint the town purple in this Saturday. The blood drive is on Sept 27 from 2-7. Ms Avila was published in a nursing publication!

Ms Avila reviewed the internships that began on Sept 7th. With the high number of juniors eligible for internships(35) it has been difficult to place all of them. She needs more health professionals to take interns.

**Adjourn:**

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 am. Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Oct 12<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am in the Career Center.

Submitted by,

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