

**2014-2015
Annual-End-of -Year Committee Report**

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Dates of meetings:

November 12, 2014

February 11, 2015

Accomplishments:

The strategic plan for Vernon College, requirements for admission to program, and successful completion of program were reviewed and voted for approval.

New Accreditation Standards for Pharmacy Technician Education & Training Programs was reviewed with plans to discuss again in the Spring.

Program Goal and Outcomes were reviewed and updated to comply with ASHP accreditation requirements along with SACS and THECB standards.

Reviewed and updated Vernon College Program Outcomes, General Education Outcomes, and SCANS Matrices. These documents map program outcomes to the individual program courses. All three documents were approved.

Evaluated facilities, equipment, and technology.

Reviewed recruitment and the retention of the underrepresented gender in a gender biased program.

Voted to accept recommendations for drug testing to be added to requirements for the program. They be implemented in the coming school year prior to the practicum/externship class.

Voted to accept new curriculum for pharmacy technician program. This will change our contact hours from 912 to 1120, still allowing the students to complete certificate in 2 semester's foe day program, increasing credit hours from 24 to 30 hours. The implementation of the new curriculum will be in the 2016 school year.

Program Statistics: Graduates, majors, enrollment. The night program just completed with 7 students, 2 continuing this semester, 2 have taken the national exam and passed, with 4 students obtaining employment.

Current class started externship/practicum/clinical rotations. The reviews from sites has been very positive. We are expecting several to be offered jobs from their rotations.

Recommendations:

The pharmacy technician will begin adding the requirement to the application packet for drug testing prior to externship/practicum to Pharmacy Technician Handbook and the Vernon College Pharmacy Technician website. We will begin developing a release form for the student, it will be the standard 10 panel drug screening used for most employers. We will also have a list of approved sites for the drug screening.

The pharmacy technician advisory board voted to change the certificate program to a level 2 certificate program with a minimum of 30 hours. This will allow us to continue having testing as requirement for acceptance into the program. It will also allow for us to move forward in the next year developing an Associate's Degree in pharmacy technician. The decision for the following classes was based upon results found from the recent changes in the national test, PTCB certification exam. We will be adding an intro to Pharmacy (alleviating some of the course work from Community and Institutional Pharmacy practice), Drug Classification (allowing the students more exposure to pharmacology) and Pharmacy Third Party Billing (allowing more in-depth concepts of third party billing). This will change our contact hours from 912 to 1120, still allowing the students to complete certificate in 2 semester's foe day program, increasing

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