

Community College *of* Philadelphia

MEETING MINUTES
Sub-Committee on Curriculum
Thursday, October 13, 2011
3:30 PM, Room M2-34

Committee Members Present

Presiding: Dr. S. Thompson

ADMINISTRATION		FEDERATION		STUDENT	GUEST
<i>Appointees</i>	<i>Alternate</i>	<i>Delegates</i>	<i>Alternate</i>		
M. Celenza	E. Freeny	C. Esposito		D. Ramoutar	F. DiRosa
M. McGorry	J. Laurie	D. Renshaw			
	P. Watkins				
	W. Wormley				

I. Approval of Minutes

The Committee members reviewed the September 8, 2011, minutes; M. Celenza motioned to accept the minutes, and C. Esposito seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

II. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

III. New Business

Discussion: Proposal for A.A.S. Degree in Occupational Therapy Assistant

Action Item: M. Celenza introduced the program and informed the Committee that the Division was in the process of hiring a Program Director and the intent was to pursue accreditation for the program. F. DiRosa developed the curriculum following the strict accreditation regulations and the model curriculum established by the accrediting body. F. DiRosa informed the Committee of the need for OTAs in the field to assist Occupational Therapists.

M. McGorry asked who was going to develop the additional courses required for the program. F. DiRosa reported that a consultant from Thomas Jefferson University (TJU) was going to be hired as a consultant to develop OTA 101 Introduction to Occupational Therapy; and when a Program Director is hired, he/she will assist with the course writing. J. Laurie asked if evening courses would be offered, and F. DiRosa responded that the majority of the courses would be offered during the day. In response to W. Wormley's question about the clinical sites, F. DiRosa reported that there many connections already and the current pool of clinical sites was a resource. M. Celenza reported that TJU was interested in the OTA program as a feeder into TJU's OT program.

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D. Renshaw asked if all OTA courses would be offered at NERC. F. DiRosa informed the Committee that because the facilities at NERC are designed for the OTA program, the course will be offered at that campus. F. DiRosa reported that the facilities limit the number of students who are enrolled in the program.

J. Laurie motioned to accept the curriculum proposal with the minor changes suggested; M. McGorry seconded the motion. The Committee unanimously accepted the proposal.

IV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 PM.