Upcoming Meetings: 12pm – 3pm
Meetings will be held via WIMBA unless otherwise noted. WIMBA instructions attached.

January 30 (Face-to-Face Meeting in Macon)

March 24

May 26
Proposal for Faculty Development in Cultural Competency and Diversity Training

Members: Anita Hufft (chair), Lisa Eichelberger, Linda Grimsley, Camille Stern, Jean Temple, Denise Kornegay, and Delane Flowers.

In order to meet our goals for cultural competency and increased diversity among nursing faculty, students and practitioners, along with increased rates of success among underrepresented groups of nursing students, the Student Subgroup recommends immediate action to implement a faculty development program on diversity and cultural competency.

1. Identify and secure a consultant for assessment and planning
2. Identify instrumentation for measurement of cultural competency and culture of diversity across USG nursing programs
3. Identify and secure consultant for diversity and cultural competency training faculty development program for early 2009.
4. Convene a diversity subgroup to assess needs across the USG nursing programs and develop strategies, in consultation with identified experts, to propose system-wide strategies:
   a. Annual faculty development program
   b. Online educational materials for individual faculty self-assessment and development
   c. Teaching/learning materials and strategies for diverse nursing students
   d. Annual assessment of cultural climate and diversity issues across USG nursing programs

Proposal for System-wide Access to Online Student Support Services

In order to meet our goals for increased retention and graduation rates, and to avoid the development of “haves” and “have nots” among nursing programs in the state of Georgia, the Student Subcommittee recommends consideration of USG acquisition/contracts for online products to enhance student success.

5. Refer to a small working group the development of an acquisitions proposal for BOR
   a. Centralized funding
   b. Product to be available to all programs across the state
   c. Part of annual strategic planning proposal for annual funding
6. Identify needs for testing and academic enhancement across USG Programs. Attached is a questionnaire submitted by ATI Vice President, Kim Van Maren, which we recommend be distributed across the system programs for data collection.
7. Propose annual budget support to purchase system-wide site licenses for products, to be made accessible to all students enrolled in nursing coursework across all USG programs.
8. Review products for consideration:
   a. ATI products for admission testing and for progression testing in subject areas
   b. ERI products for admission testing and for progression testing in subject areas
   c. MEDS Publishing products for academic enhancement
   d. Other as identified

Nursing Education Task Force
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