

**Minutes from  
Palomar College Dental Assisting  
Advisory Committee Meeting  
October 23, 2019**

**Present:** Denise Rudy, Adelina Hernandez-Coria, Karen Wait, Claudia Perkins, Sean Sullivan, Dr. Sue Liethen, Dr. Chris Hydo, Dr. Hedi Allen-Hydo; Dr. Ben Dickson, Glenda Collatos, and Effie MacDonald.

**Not Present:** Michelle Tucker, Abby Uresti, Jodi Whitlock & Dr. Harriet Sheldon

The meeting was called to Order at 7:04pm  
Introductions were made around the table  
Minutes from April 2019 meeting approved

**Accreditation 2019**

Denise Rudy shared the Accreditation went very well and that the program had “No Recommendations.” The faculty shared they were very pleased and that the accreditation went very well.

**Highlights from 2019 Exit Surveys**

Denise Rudy shared the following information from the Survey:

21 graduates responded to the survey

30% were graduating with an Associates and Certificate in Dental Assisting  
Dental Assisting Coursework

% Excellent & Very Good rating in overall quality of the course

DA 50 Intro to Dental Asst. 85.7 DA 75 Operative Procedures 95.2

DA 57 Science & Anatomy 95.2 DA 75 Operative Procedures lab 95.2

DA 60 Dental Materials 41.7 DA 82 Preventive Dentistry I 95.2

DA 60 Materials lab 73.73 DA 82 Preventive Dentistry I Lab 95.2

DA 65 Practice Management 95.2 DA 83 Advanced Preventive II 95.2

DA 70 Radiography I 95.2 DA 85 Advanced Procedures 95.2

DA 70 Radiography I lab 95.2 DA 85 Advanced Procedures lab 95.2

DA 71 Radiography II 95.2

DA 90 Clinical Rotation

20 clinical Sites participated in the 2019 Clinical Rotation

**Dean Position**

Denise shared the Dean position is vacant, but is being hired.

**Returning Faculty**

Denise shared that Dr. Hedi Allen-Hydo has returned as adjunct faculty and will be teaching DA 65 and DA 75, as Karen Wait resigned to take a full-time position at Mesa College.

**Curriculum Changes**

Denise shared the following curriculum changes: DA 60 an additional half hour was added for lab; DA 85 Lecture was converted to a hybrid course for Spring 2021. Other courses will be revised as needed.

**ADA Report**

Denise shared results of the ADA report.

**Volunteer opportunities**

Claudia shared that the students will be participating, again, in the Share the Care event in February 2020. This is a yearly event she organizes with Neighborhood Health Care and the students gain wonderful experience assisting local dentists with pit and fissure sealants.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm