DVR Meeting March 19, 2013 Health Careers Minutes

Members Present: Susan Collins (Triton), Patricia Heidel (Proviso East), Kathy Peterson (Riverside Brookfield), Valarie Berger (Leyden), Pat Godziszewski (Leyden), Dana Dismeier (Leyden)

1. Dual Credit Students

- a. Susan Collins and the group again discussed the rigors of the dual credit program and the struggles facing the high school students. Triton instructors have restructured their courses to better wean the students into a collegiate atmosphere.
- b. Some of the high school students have trouble with the "no cell phone" use during class. This may be a maturity issue, but the students must rise to the collegiate demands if they are going to be collegiate students.

2. **Dual Credit Programs**

- a. The team discussed many ways to promote the dual credit programs. Susan Collins is willing to organize site visits to Triton or high schools. Interested teachers should contact Susan Collins at scollins@triton.edu
- b. The team also suggested digital flyers emailed to students, youtube.com videos promoting the different fields within the medical fields, youtube vidoes promoting all dual credit programs, etc. These could be mass emailed to teachers and students and save the cost of burning dvd's. In addition, students not in our classes would also have the opportunity to view the videos.

3. Certification Programs

- a. The team researched certification programs for our high school students through www.ascp.com. (American Society for Clinical Pathologists)
- b. This organization is the testing center for pathologists and it provides a test for our students to earn their phlebotomist license.
- c. The team looked into certified programs in the suburban area. These programs require all students to be at least 18 years old, and the programs also require an internship that is 8 hours/day and 5 days/week. These requirements are in place for legal reasons surrounding the health care profession.
- d. At this time, the team concluded that this would not be a viable option for our high school students.