The Town Hall meeting of the School of Nursing to discuss the new hospital and faculty success was called to order by Chair Pinderhughes on November 22, 2002 at 12:45 p.m. in Room N-217.

Chair’s Announcements

Chair Pinderhughes outlined the goals of the School of Nursing Town Meeting of November 22, 2002. H. Pinderhughes instructed the audience to focus on three primary areas as they relate to the School and to individual departments, and to identify specific areas of concern within the three given topics listed below:

1. Teaching
2. Research
3. Proximity to the new hospital

Dean’s Announcements

None

Discussion of the New Hospital as it Relates to the School of Nursing

The participants at the Town Hall meeting identified several key issues of concern as they relate to the School of Nursing and the development of the new hospital. Those who attended the meeting stated that the School must have a physical presence in the new hospital, and in general, at Mission Bay in order to maintain its collaborative efforts with faculty in the other Schools and to ensure the viability of nursing. Keeping within the scope of the meeting as outlined by Chair Pinderhughes, those present developed a list of concerns specifically targeted for the School of Nursing.

Teaching

- The need for clinical and classroom space at Mission Bay, particularly if the new hospital (or part of the new hospital) is built at this location
- The need for to have more classrooms equipped with audio/visual and teleconferencing equipment

Research

- The need for designated space for physical assessment of laboratories
• The need for increased computerized library space for research, studying and conferences

Proximity to the new hospital

• The need to teach clinical courses within the hospital
• The need for dedicated space to conduct outpatient meetings
• The ability to provide rapid response to calls from the hospital and/or colleagues located in the hospital
• The need for offices close to patient care areas and clinics which could be shared space
• The ability to recruit students to the School and provide quick and easy access to the hospital
• The need for expanded shuttle services between the various campus locations

Discussion was also held in regards to how the School might be impacted if certain departments were to relocate, or if all of the departments were to occupy space at the same location. It was decided that the School would need to address this issue once more information is made available. The School will also need to evaluate and determine where it will be in ten years and to create flexible contingency plans.

Discussion of the New Hospital as it Relates to Department and Faculty Success

Chair Pinderhughes requested those present to identify areas of concern and interests as they relate to the four departments within the School. Representatives from each of the four departments were in attendance and presented their needs as outlined below.

Community Health Systems

C. Bain, S. Janson, and C. Kelber were present to represent the Community Health Systems Department. They outlined several areas of concern for the department, and for their individual needs.

• The need to have patient access in an ambulatory care center to care/research chronic illnesses and primary care practices
• The need for designated space with in the clinic to conduct research, teach, and hold clinical training classes; in particular those associated with the Nurse Practitioner Program
• The ability to access information systems, computers, and desk space
• The need for space to hold group meetings and space for post-docs

Family Health Care Nursing

K. Chesla, J. Humphreys, S. Kools, and M. Lynch were present to represent the Family Health Care Nursing Department. They outlined several areas of concern for the department, and for their individual needs.

• The need to be located where the critical mass of all patients is located
• The need for, and access to, flexible space particularly for the MEPN Program
• The need for dedicated, consistent, and reliable space to conduct patient interviews in groups of 10-20 people at a time which is easy to find, in close proximity to health clinics, is private, and doesn’t resemble a classroom
• The need for teleconferencing and technical support to teach classes of 60 or more students
• The need for designated research space with locking file cabinets
• The need for health assessment lab space
• The need to have certain programs such as mid-wifery, neonatal, and pediatric care near the hospital
• The need for classroom space to accommodate at least thirty students
• The need for a sleeping room with a bed or sleeper sofa

Physiological Nursing

E. Froelicher was present to represent the Physiological Nursing Department. She highlighted several areas of concern for the department.

• The need to be near acute care centers, the hospital and ambulatory care clinics
• The need to be based where colleagues from the School of Medicine are located
• The need for various lab space to conduct clinical procedures, physiological labs for humans and animals, and molecular labs.
• The need for space to conduct clinical trials, hold cooking demonstrations, and exercise equipment and fitness facilities
• The ability to conduct research in oncology, cardio-vascular, gerontology, and long term health care

Social and Behavioral Sciences

H. Pinderhughes was present to represent the Social and Behavioral Sciences Department. He indicated that some faculty in the department might have the need to be close to the hospital due to disability and health policy concerns.

Administration

Z. Mirsky commented on the need for administrative offices for support staff. She also mentioned the need for lockers, changing areas, lounges, and eating facilities to help improve the quality of work-life

In conclusion, Chair Pinderhughes asked the participants to discuss these issues with their colleagues in their respective departments and email him their concerns.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

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