



Summary of Activities for Board

Committee/Task Force/Other: RHIA Taskforce

Chair(s):Luisa Dileso

Members: Debbie Adair, Clare Carvel, Annalee Collins, Dick Logan, Kathy Molloy, Bob Seger, Joan Usher – Past President – Board Rep.

Date: March, 2007

Summary of Activities: include meetings held or planned; any action or follow-up in process; any other relevant activity
Program Contact Updates/Status:

Framingham State College – Informatics Masters

Dick Logan and Luisa Dileso have contacted FSC on several occasions and they are still considering the informatics proposal. They have not established a clear cut goal/time frame for implementation. Luisa has been in contact with Dean Janet Castleman and she has been advised that they will contact us as soon as they have a clear cut goal for implementation.

Fisher College – Part-Time RHIA Program Proposal

Follow-up contact by Luisa - in January and late February. Workforce projections were requested from AHIMA and submitted to Fisher in January. Patti Parkes – Fisher HIT program director has submitted a formal proposal for a part-time RHIA program (2 + 2). The college administration is in the process of reviewing the focused workforce projections. Patti to contact Luisa shortly regarding status of the proposal, time frame for potential on-line RHIA 2+2 implementation should the college decided to move forward with the program, or need for additional information/clarification.

Salem State College-Initial Contact

RHIA task force materials for initial contact were forwarded to Clare Carvel in September. Clare forwarded contact information to Luisa for follow-up. Luisa referred to an alternative dean at Salem and formal introduction letter and follow-up contact re-initiated in January. Salem has responded that while there is potential interest in the program, the college has other projects to evaluate and is unable to entertain new curriculum development at this point in time. Salem State is also in the process of recruiting a new President.

Briarwood College – CT/Program Update

Joan Usher e-mailed an update to inform the group that Briarwood is still interested in implementing an RHIA program with a projected time frame for December, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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