2011 Input from Industry

- 2011 Encourage professional development of faculty who can then continue to update class curriculum.
    - Two faculty members attended the Western States Veterinary Conference
    - No one attended the national Veterinary Technician Educators Conference
    - Two instructors attended the Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association Conference
    - Four instructors attended the Livestock Emergency Response System conference
    - Three instructors completed the Agriculture Emergency Review and Planning Workshop
    - One instructor attended a Statewide Ag Terrorism Workshop
    - No instructors attended the Hill's Symposium
    - Three instructors completed on-line continuing education. (hydrolyzed protein diets, equine radiology, sugar gliders, equine emergencies, exotic animals)
    - Two faculty members served as country fair judges and superintendants
    - One instructor completed First Aid and CPR AED Heartsaver Course.
- Advisory Meeting
    - The five options within Veterinary Technology were again reviewed. The advisory committee understands the need for options outside of the veterinary technician option although they would prefer all graduate as technicians to fill the demand. Entrance requirements were discussed. NCTA has an open enrollment policy.
- Comments from Industry
    - With the 25 people on Internships this year there were no concerns of whether or not they were Technicians or Assistants.
    - Body Piercing is not appropriate
    - Clinical Skills are very good
    - Good representation of technician skills
    - More mixed animal cattle experience is always good. (That particular practice)
    - Encourage the students to learn to speak up for themselves.
    - Clinical skills are great
    - Great Work Ethic
    - Full time employment has been offered.
    - Clinical Pathology skills are very good.
    - Best Surgical Tech he has had.
    - Very good on Dentals.
    - Quickly caught on to documentation and tracking.
    - Would like to hire her full time but she is going on to school
    - Send more students from Curtis.
    - Curriculum needs to include more microscope, urine cytology, (No complaints about the intern though)
    - Students need to keep busy in practice (not stand around), Work don't talk
    - Clinical skills are fine, Client interaction and following clinical policies are very important.
    - Students need to be a little more willing to do what they are asked to do, not just what they want to do.
    - Self motivation needs to be better.

- Anticipate the needs of the Dr. without being told things.
- Keep Surgical Patient Prep, Equine Restraint in Curriculum.
- Very versatile, able to adapt to changing schedules well.
- Pharmacology-incorporate more about name brand drugs.
- Curriculum-A little more Fecal Smears.
- A Class on Therapeutic Lasic
- NCTA has been providing good Technicians and Assistants for over 20 years.
- Remind the students to collimate on their X-rays for better results.
- Good worker, Good work ethic. Good with customers. Willing to work longer hours.
- More about Dog Behavior (Canine Clinic)
- Very helpful, = fits in well. Needs help in reading and filling syringes.
- Internship in the middle instead of the end.
- Veterinarian could use better objectives on what the school requires of them for the Internships.
- OSHA requirements-need to learn more.
- More practice with Large Animal Skills, Excel and QuickBooks-but she has caught on quick.
- Good worker, learning more that what an Assistant should probably be taught.
- Curriculum is fine, more skills in learning to work with people and a busy office.
- Willing to work alone, was quiet at first but gets along well. Willing to put things well they belong. Recommends they go to Curtis Tech School before Vet School
- Good Horse Skills would hire her in a minute if I could talk her into staying.
- Tried to discourage piercings and tattoos.
- Education has greatly improved her skill level. Curtis students have all been good with Animal Handling and Clinical Skills.