

## ADVISORY BOARD

# COMPUTER INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INDIAN RIVER STATE COLLEGE

November 9th, 2023 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

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Meeting called by Dr. Chad Calvert CIT Dept Chair

**Attendees:** Faculty/Staff:

 Chad Calvert, Georgiana Carvalho, Nikia Robinson, Tim Stroth, Sophia Wilberscheid, Casandra Raya, James Howse

#### Industry:

#### In-person

- Dana Caputo, Program Specialist, Career and Technical Education (CTE), St Lucie Public Schools
- Letitia Robinson, Program Specialist, CTE, St. Lucie County School Board
- Keron Belgraves, St. Lucie County School Board
- Steve Nicholson, I.T. Manager, Clty of Fort Pierce
- Ian Siebert, Systems Analyst, Clty of Fort Pierce
- Miguel Gspar, Martin Country High School
- Jon Herberlin, Cyber Security Director, Jupiter Medical Center
- Lindsay Doss, Perkins Project Specialist, IRSC
- Calvin Williams, Administrative Director of Advising and Career Services, IRSC

### **Minutes: Program Overviews**

Overview of CIT Degrees and Certificates was given by Chad

- Discussed AS, BS, and 4 Certificates
  - Discussed specific changes to elective blocks, "opened-up" to better facilitate pathways/specializations.
  - o Gave overview of key topics covered in course work (AS and BS)
- Discussed upgrades to labs (new workstations, servers, internet infrastructure)
- Chad discussed partnerships with Coding Dojo and Cyberbit
  - Coding Dojo Discussed results of 1st cohort of 25 students
  - o Cyberbit Results from summer pilot for Capstone students
  - Possible use case for workforce training was proposed, Steve echoed interest in this if longterm funding was secured for Cyberbit.
- Chad gave an overview of the NSA Certified Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense
  - Gave designation status update
    - PoS approved
    - Currently submitting for final designation
    - Decision anticipated spring 2024
  - Discussed shift to a 4 year designation mapped to our BS, as opposed to 2 year

#### **Open Discussion**

Floor was opened to allow for questions to/from both faculty and board members.

- Steve provided details on time-line for internship positions with City of FP
  - O Will be looking for 3-5 students now, possibly up to 9 in the future
  - MOU should be finalized/approved by Christmas break
  - Steve inquired about minimum hour requirement for internships

- In the past, it has been equivalent to class time
- o Tim also discussed possibility of bringing current students to tour FP facilities
- Apprenticeship program was discussed by Jon from Jupiter Medical
  - o Assciated with Cisco Networking Academy
  - o Currently in talks to determine viability of CIT apprenticeships
  - Future meetings were setup finalize
- Chad proposed more integration with K-12 (Workshops, curriculum sharing, etc)
  - O Dana stated that other K-12 programs had already attempted curriculum sharing, which proved beneficial.
  - Dana will provide more information as to the structure that other areas used for curriculum sharing for CIT to model.
- Cassandra discussed high schools visits to the campus to explore our programs
- Steve mentioned the need for compliance raining for student's interested in working for the City of Fort Pierce
- Chad concluded meeting once all comment had been made and discussed.