Computer Information Systems Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes 2018 – 2019

CHAIRPERSON: Sandra Smith		
MEETING DATE:	MEETING TIME:	MEETING PLACE:
November 8, 2018	11:00 a.m.	Room E300 Eagle Pass Campus
RECORDER:		PREVIOUS MEETING:
Vanessa Verjan		November 21, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Name and Business	Name and Business	Name and Business
Eaker, Blake	Gonzalez, Armando	Rodriguez, Luis
Memorial Hospital	Maverick County	Eagle Pass Waterworks
Smith, Sandra	Velasquez, Jose	Zurtuza, Diego
USDA	Eagle Pass Waterworks	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Name and Title	Name and Title	Name and Title	
Bermea, Gilbert	De Anda, Adrian	Fernandez, Luis	
Vice President of SWTJC Eagle Pass	IT SWTJC	Division Chair	
Hoffman, Brenda	Lopez, Jesus	Perez, Luis	
Counselor	IT Specialist	CIS Instructor	
Ruiz, Luis	Torres, Michelle	Verjan, Vanessa	
CTE Counselor	Director of Outreach	Administrative Assistant	

AGENDA/MINUTES:

Agenda Item	Action/Discussion/	Responsibility
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Meeting to Order/Welcome Remarks & Introductions:	Meeting was called to order at 11:13 a.m. Administration, faculty and guests (committee members) introduced themselves. Everyone was thanked for attending the meeting.	Luis Perez
Appointment/Continuation of New Chairperson	Diego Zurtuza nominated Sandra Smith to continue to be chairperson. Luis Rodriguez seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried by acclamation.	Committee
SWTJC Technical Programs Advisory Committee Guidelines Review	Luis Fernandez explained the guidelines/functions of the Advisory Committee. The committee must meet at least once a year and have a quorum present. However, contact with members throughout the year via e-mail, fax or phone is strongly recommended. It is imperative that SWTJC Technical Programs are aware of what it is that employers are looking for in the graduates, as well as keeping up with new technology, program improvement suggestions, and representing the needs of students from special populations. **Guidelines were included in packet**	Luis Fernandez
Reading & Approval of Minutes	Everyone read the minutes. Blake Eaker motioned to approve; Zurtuza seconded the motion. All in favor – Minutes were approved.	

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Old Business:		Luis Fernandez
1. Block Schedule sequence	Luis Fernandez discussed that the block schedule was restructured. Students would focus on a course for the first 4- 5 weeks and move on to the following class vs. the traditional class that would meet for 16 weeks. Mr. Fernandez added that their other technical programs that follow the block schedule and have been successful.	
	Blake Eaker asked if any of these changes affect current students. Mr. Fernandez shared that students that are currently enrolled would be grandfathered.	Blake Eaker
	Mr. Perez feels that having a block schedule will help students focus on one class and help pass their certifications versus studying multiple courses and balance their study and pass certifications.	Luis Perez
	Diego and Blake like the idea of the block schedule, but their concern is allowing the student to take the certification option and not the degree option. Will the student be able to communicate or email if they decided not to take the degree option that offers the academic courses.	
Continuing Business:	None.	
New Business:		Luis Perez
CIS Program Dashboard	Dashboard information: First-time students 2017: 28 Overall enrollment 2017: 72 First-time students 2018: 17 Overall enrollment 2018: 75	
	Total Graduates:2017: 6 students2018: 6 students	
	Mr. Perez informed the committee that students are more interested in programming classes than security. In addition, Mr. Perez wants to offer online classes.	
1. Data Center to be constructed	Luis Fernandez shared that Microsoft is building a data center in San Antonio by road 211. They have reached out to the college to create a data center in Hondo, and they will provide equipment and curriculum support to get student A+ certified, network, security, and server certified. This option will only be available in Hondo, where the equipment would be provided by Microsoft and not at other campuses.	Luis Fernandez
2. Equipment donations	Mr. Perez asked the committee members if they have any equipment that they like to donate please reach out to the college	
Curriculum Decisions:	None.	
	Mr. Perez shared that students that test and pass their A+ certification will apply for a job at the casino. If the student	

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	receives the job, n CIS program.	nore than likely, they will not co	mplete the	
		rmed the committee that federa es only to be certified in security o have a degree.	-	
		Luis Fernandez discussed that certifications will be important for High School because TEA has attached their funding to certifications.		
		Luis Fernandez talked about bringing a room with equipment that will allow students to have hands-on experience with computers.		
	Blake Eaker recommended sending advanced students to the hospital for the co-op class. It is not a guarantee that the student will receive the job, but it is a possibility. Mr. Fernandez shared wit Mr. Eaker that he is working with Human Resource to build a contract to have students work for the hospital.			
Adjournment		Motion to adjourn was made by Luis Rodriguez; seconded by Jose Velasquez. All in favor, meeting was adjourned at 12:38 p.m.		
Lunch was provided				
RECORDER SIGNATURE:	Vela	DATE: December 3, 2018	NEXT MEETI unless otherv	NG: Fall 2019, wise notified.