Advisory Meeting Notes - February 25, 2022

Recorded by Javier Rios

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Meeting attendees were asked for permission to record the meeting -no objections.

Opening remarks by Prof. Samplewala.

The meeting minutes were approved by Steven Entezari and Steven McCoy.

Discipline progress report discussed by Prof. Samplewala. The topics discussed are as follows:

* Exploration of Data Analysis curriculum and courses.
* Exploration of including a Linux course to the existing cybersecurity degree and certificate.
* Outreach to high schools with pathways that can map to CS or CSIT courses at Mission.
* The current state of the Cloud computing program.
* The current state of the Cyber Security program.
* The state of the Full Stack Developer program.
* The state of Computer Programmer.
* Update on Non-credit adult education courses.

Mission-X cybersecurity club update by Prof. Rios.

Prof. Samii spoke about Data Analytics and the efforts being made.

Prof. Samii asked the advisory board to validate the value behind Google Courses and Project Management skills and certifications. Advisory members agree that Project management is seen as an advanced skill that is learned later in an individual's career.

The discussion turned to credit for prior work experience as an entry to employment.

Our next topic turned to strategies for promoting our programs at Mission. The Advisory members were asked to consider any strategies we could employ and share them soon or during the meeting.

* Matt Lehman stated that he is willing to help with promoting our programs.
* Comment pending from other attendees.

Next, there was a review of Learning Outcomes and Program Maps.

**Cyber Security:**

A suggestion was made to consider including courses that track to CCSP and Cloud+ certifications.

**Careers for students:**

A suggestion was made for us to make the effort to place students on the path to certifications a primary focus of our programs.

An emphasis was placed on bridging the soft skills gap for Cyber Security and other programs.

**Suggestion:** The creation and implementation of Capstone real-world projects. Students will present projects to advisory members as a team to receive feedback.

**Program Recommendations by advisory board members:**

Matt Lehman to Javier Rios, I’d love to see something that tracked to a CCSP as well. I am mentioning it so you can remind me later.

Vivian Lee – I have to drop, thank you all. I was thinking about Western Governor University and how they award the certificates (CompTIA A+, Network+, Sec+, etc.) after completion of a class; might be something to consider.

**Cloud Computing Recommendations:**

Include Microsoft Azure in some way in the curriculum.

Speak to students about the impact of Big Data.

**Brochure Recommendations:**

Steven Entezari – More social media outreach for our programs. Use social media targeted advertising to include specific age groups and geographical locations.

Jose Vidal – Include alumni testimonials in advertisements and brochures.