

## **CCIT Advisory Committee Meeting Friday, September 16, 2016**

### **Members Present:**

Dan Brown, Joe Cuenco, Dan Doyle, James Farley, Sonia First, Muslim Gadiwalla, Giny Kapili, Steve Marcinek, Chris Paul, Harold Schomaker.

### **Members Absent:**

Keith Archibald, Alberto Contreras, Tony Francisco, Mayra Harley

### **Other Attendees:**

Sandra Beck, Susan Biszewski-Eber, Joy Carta, Kerry Carter, Bill Cross, Henry Cutler, Dawn Ellis, Mike Gordon, Nathan Heinze, Holly Hoopes, John Long, Jun Ma, Laura Malave, Sharon Setterlind, Lenore Swaim, Lesley Wade, Brad Yourth.

### **CCIT Advisory Committee newest members:**

Ryan Platt – BayCare Health Systems @ there for about a year and prior to that 9 years in IT.  
Mike Dunleavy – He was unable to attend today. He is the CIO of DigiGone, which is a medical device/aerospace company. James Farley, the committee's student member, completed his internship with them.

### **Last Year's Recap:**

**Focus on Outreach** – CCIT has been relying on Dr. Cross and his contacts. Let's not put a burden on him and have everybody expand their network. This has allowed us to strengthen our relationship with TBTF and Tech Data. Sharon is in the process of working out a \$2 million dollar grant with JP Morgan Chase. Daniel Scott has been working well with CCIT and getting us business connections.

### **Participated in Capstone Presentations –**

- *Apprenticeship Program* – any assistance needed with regard to placing apprenticeship students.
- *Created executive videos (2)* - Video highlight were completed last year.

### **2016-2017 Focus:**

**Additional videos** – CCIT would like at least two additional videos developed. It takes about 20 minutes. CCIT plans on having a webpage of the Advisory Committee members and will post these videos on it. Dean will send around a sign-up sheet. If you are interested, please sign up. This is a good promotion for SPC and your company.

**Continue to focus on building network/outreach** – CCIT is doing a good job reaching out to the tech community. CCIT would like to ask all of the advisory committee members to identify one or

two people that we can call on to help during Capstone presentations, Capstone interviews, etc. These folks do not need to be members of the advisory committee but just be willing to help. Advisory committee members need to get together with our faculty to make sure that our AS and BAS degrees are touching on the skills needed.

**Continued scholarship review** – October 10 the applications will be released for review and the turnaround will be October 28. Looking for volunteers to review Smart Choice and Tech Data scholarship applications. It should take about 2-3 hours to review applications.

CCIT awarded five different scholarships for fall with 25 different student recipients. Dean will be looking for Advisory Committee members to volunteer to review the Smart Choice and Tech Data Scholarships for spring. This process will begin on/around October 10 and will be due on/around October 28. (It is good that the committee members get to hear the stories of our students.)

**Capstone Exercises** – some of this is still being worked out. Will still have Capstone presentations as normal 12/5 and 12/6. Dr. Bill Cross will send out something in about 1 ½ weeks asking for advisory committee participation with presentations and interviews.

Capstone interviews consists of each student individually setting an appointment with a senior IT executive. Students must find their own IT executive to interview with or one of the executives IT managers. *Example questions:* IT Executive/Manager can tell their story. What are you looking for in a new hire? What kind of advice can you give the student in finding a job?

**Holly** – Before students reach Capstone, there is one specific course, CNT 1000, that a student must go and shadow a network administrator. Some students ask their professor to recommend someone to assist students on these projects. This overlaps with some of the initiatives of this committee. Currently there are 39 students enrolled in Capstone. CCIT does not want multiple students requesting appointments with the same executives. Part of the exercise is to get the students out into the real world. It would be nice to have a pool of IT administrators.

**Executives in the classroom** – did this in the past but our courses are 98% online so this is not feasible and participating in interviews and job shadowing can serve this purpose.

**Prior data** – CCIT student average age was 35, now it is in the 20s.

What are we doing to get the students connected with most of the classes online?

- ✓ Use LinkedIn (Students stay in for 2 semesters only on LinkedIn. Then they are lost and unconnected. When students are out of school they will not come back. We are missing a SPC LinkedIn page. Kerry Carter thinks that Smart Start Orientation should go over this. Steve thinks you need a database of students who graduated and are now in upper level IT positions to network with.)
- ✓ Susan/Lenore are in the process of starting a Technology Community Job and Social Club to meet up on the campuses and in the community.
- ✓ Have breakfasts and events in the afternoon on various campuses.

- ✓ Create a page that faculty can connect to and employers can post job opportunities.
- ✓ Student Networking - are the students taught how to network? Students do not know how to do this! These are some of the topics to be discussed in the job club.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Career Expo** – which campus gets to host it in April 2017? Liked the format of the Seminole Campus because it was big enough to host. It allowed everyone to participate. Bill – ask local employers to be represented and talk to students one-on-one about job opportunities they have or know about. So at this event we are looking for more HR/IT recruiters than CIO representatives. Last year this event was a huge success.

**Women in Technology** event Oct 27 at Gibbs Campus. Do you have someone in your organization that CCIT should ask to attend?

Mentoring – This will pick up in January. We need to build on this.

Next meeting will be in January. No date set yet. Dean will reach out to many members prior to that regarding all of the above.