

## MIRA Advisory Committee Fall 2017 Meeting Minutes

- Curriculum updates:
  - Two new internship courses for MIRA: Broadcast Audio, Music Industry (Non-profit, office, for-profit work [non-studio/live sound related work])
  - Music internship ensemble (community outreach, full responsibility for the show, gear, musicians)
  - Music composition internship: Lead by Jeff Donovanick
    - Music composition students submitting their work for outreach opportunities, work within the college etc.
    - Real world composition experience
  - No Bachelor Program ☹
    - Down but not out; moving to support students past the associate level.
    - Legislature not in line with community bachelor programs.
  - Creative Career Summit:
    - Thanks to Rosaria Pipitone for making it happen
    - Several Workshops (Al Pitrelli [Trans Siberian Orchestra])
    - Creating connections with students and professionals to give them a opportunities
    - For the academic community of humanities, arts, design
- Community Outreach
  - Lakewood HS Jazz CD recorded with the help of Tom Morris (Jazz standards and some original music written by students)
  - Music program cuts in the community a while back.
    - City of St Petersburg working to support the local music programs.
    - Sales from the CDs going straight to supporting the kids at the schools
    - Going to do more work with students making more recordings/CDs of local schools music programs.
      - Second CD is already approved
    - Lakewood HS Drumline featured with The Hip Abduction at Janus Live recently (Thanks to Pat Hernly)
  - Title One middle schools receiving donated instruments collected from the college
- City of St Pete pushing TDC to get more funding for events at hotels
- St Petersburg Jazz Festival at the Palladium Theatre in February
- MIRA metrics looking very strong (classes full, involvement is strong, MIRA student success rates right on with the college average, placement rate <80%, completion rates are good)
  - Stepping up academic advising with students (pushing them to keep on the right trajectory and complete the program in a way that best suits their needs)

- April Appreciation Event
  - Advisors meet with the President (Details soon to come)