

ST. PETERSBURG COLLEGE
Public Safety Advisory Committee
Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2014
Allstate Center

Attendees: Dorene Thomas, Chair (Pinellas Park PD), Christopher Groff (PCSO), Dale Konig (Pinellas Park HS), Dee Mortellaro (SPC), Anna Goree (SPC), Michael Hughes (SPC), Christine Pribyl (SPC), Angel Bates (SPC), Geoff Brown (SPC), Charles Crowther (SPC)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Introductions and Pledge	Dee Mortellaro introduced herself as SPC's new Career Outreach Specialist who serves Allstate, Downtown and Midtown campuses. She visits each campus weekly and represents the programs offered at these sites.	
Reorganization of Student Services	Student Success advising personnel have been relocated to the Provost Office at Allstate. The newly expanded Student Services Center includes 4 computer stations and a comfortable work/waiting area.	
Allstate Enrollment	SPC's overall enrollment experienced an increase due to the "push to enrollment" effort college-wide. Allstate had not previously experienced as large a drop in enrollment as other sites, therefore, the percentage increase was not as large. Classes are currently 90% full. The BAS program has the largest number of students, followed by Workforce (AS, Cert, Academy) students. It was noted that agencies now have additional funds for tuition reimbursement which is reflected in increased enrollment at Allstate.	
Fire Science/Emergency Management	Staff continues to attend the State's Fire Consortium. Part of their mission is to specify curriculum choices so that it will be uniform across the State. The DOE may also eventually mandate curriculum for Fire Science.	
Public Safety Administration	Fire Officer III and IV courses are imbedded in the program. Students can take these classes without being admitted to the PSA program. Due to promotion from the Fire College, enrollment numbers are up in these courses.	
Crime Scene/Digital Forensics/Criminal Justice	Crime Scene curriculum changes became effective Fall term (4 credit hour Photo class plus two courses changing from 2 credit hours to 3 credit hours). Digital Forensics program is growing. Criminal Justice will change from 64 to 60 credit hours by next year with the removal of the Technical Writing class and computer literacy requirement. It was also pointed out that the requirements in the CJ coursework tended to be more stringent than work in other courses - as far as expected behaviors and deadlines - to give students an idea of what would be expected of them if they were working for a law enforcement agency.	Staff is reviewing texts to make sure they are compatible to the requirements in the new LMS, D2L. Staff will reach out to the Criminal Justice Academy at Pinellas Park High School to see if someone would be interested in being on this advisory committee.
April Veterans Event	Last April, Allstate Center hosted its second Veterans Event which included members of SPC's Student Veterans Association. Approximately 70-75 attended this event which was supported by the community with many donations including hotel, restaurant and retail gift certificates, as well as sporting and recreational tickets/vouchers.	
Marketing	The College of Public Safety's new brochure was presented. This was a project that had been in the works for several years.	
Other Business	Pinellas Park High School's First Responder program has incorporated a Firefighter I Certificate into their curriculum. There are 35 enrolled in the first year of this 3 year program.	Staff is seeking a representative from the fire community to serve on this advisory committee.
Next Meeting	Date established.	Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2015.