

ST. PETERSBURG COLLEGE
Public Safety Administration Advisory Committee
Sept. 11, 2012

Attendees: Dorene Thomas (Chair), Mark Teunis, Jill Dileanis, John Romeo, Lisa Wentz, David Romine, Steve Knight, Brian Frank, Geoffrey Brown, Charles Crowther, David Brumfield, Kevin Thomas, Shirley Johnson, Angel Bates, Anna Goree, Christine Pribyl

Excused: Jim Angle, Deborah McDonald, Clay Littlejohn, Sally Bishop, Michael Cooksey

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Introductions and Pledge	Members introduced themselves. Several attended the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony prior to the meeting.	Pledge of Allegiance was said
Enrollment	Public Safety program enrollment is stable; overall SPC enrollment is down approximately 2.5%. The number of individual sections of classes was reduced this term as mandated by lower enrollment.	None taken
Digital Forensics	Digital Forensics is its own AS degree, and enrollment is good with 100% productivity. Face-to-face lab classes will commence spring term. Hands-on activities were tested in April with a free FTK certification course held at Allstate.	None taken
Fire Science/Emergency Management	Three Emergency Management classes have been rewritten. Because this is an emerging field, revisions will need to be done on an on-going basis. Fire Science enrollment is dependent upon budgeting in agencies and will probably be flat for some time. Revisions to the AS general education classes have been submitted; these changes follow the State Fire College standards.	None taken
Criminal Justice	The AS degree now offers 4 sub plans, two of which are for academy completers. The other two are Homeland Security and Cross-Discipline. Pending legislative changes will decrease the number of general education credits within AA and AS plans. Once this is established, further revisions to this and other AS programs will be made. Michael Hughes has established a cohort initiative with Hernando County Sheriff's Office. The HCSO will have approximately 20 students enrolled as a group with the goal of officers being able to finish their individual criminal justice degrees.	None taken
Crime Scene	Classes are now offered in an 8 week format. Enrollment is slightly down compared to 2011. However, registration for the second 8 weeks is ongoing. Resulting job placements for graduates of the program are excellent outside of Tampa Bay and especially outside the State of Florida.	None taken
PSA Bachelors	Enrollment continues to be good; it is felt that the marketing department has been instrumental in this. Two new classes as suggested by an alumni steering committee are now part of the curriculum: Managing Conflict will be offered this term; Critical Incident Management is currently being written. It will deal with a large scale incident management scenario from start to finish, and incorporate aspects of the FEMA ICS 400 course.	None taken

	The Capstone is now an 8 week course with Program Planning & Evaluation as a pre-requisite. In addition, graduates will complete a post-test within the Capstone degree worth 10% of their grade.	
The College Experience	New initiatives are in place to boost student success, including early alerts, coaching, and referrals. Currently these are geared towards FTIC students, but should be expanded in the future. It was noted there is now a Mental Health counseling network for faculty to use if they feel a student needs this referral.	None taken
Other Business	<p>COPS Camp – camp held in June had 34 unduplicated students, and a net profit of approximately \$750.</p> <p>Suggestion – put a link on the AC website which would allow students to view future course schedules.</p> <p>The Florida Division of the International Association for Identification (FDIAI) is holding their annual conference for forensic scientists, crime scene techs, etc., at the St. Petersburg Hilton October 21-25, 2012. Many vendors and products will be there for agency personnel to see. Chief Romine offered to disseminate info about this conference to the Tampa Bay Police Chiefs Association.</p> <p>Pinellas Co Schools now requires parents who chaperone field trips without a school employee to be fingerprinted and have a background check at their own cost. Brian Frank suggested that perhaps SPC could partner with PASS and offer this service free to parents of PCS students.</p>	<p>Brian Frank stated he would inquire about this.</p> <p>Staff will give Chief Romine information on the conference to disseminate.</p> <p>Staff will explore partnering with PASS and/or utilizing the department’s LiveScan machine for this, perhaps having reserve officers assist with the process.</p>
Next Meeting	Next meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2013	