St. Petersburg College Photographic Technology Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday, April 5, 2012 Time: 2:00 PM Location: Conference Room #156, Crossroads Building, Clearwater Campus

Advisory Members present: Justin Ward, Pepito Valdes, Gary Graham, Gregg Hickman, Lynn Whitelaw, Tom Bailey, Tina Koufas-Eisbacher, Frank Duffy, Jonathan Barnes, Emanuele Pontoriero, Chris Otten, Keith Bunch, Robert Lawson, Barton Gilmore.

Absent: Robert Belfonte, Chuck Vosburgh, Maria Grabowski, Bruce Seversen, Ken Hannon, Michael Landes, Leandro Gongora, Judy Alt, George Cott, Mark Moore, Joe Bunch.

I. Call to order and introductions.

II. Old Business

a. Old minutes approved.

b. Website is not live yet; hopefully it will be up by May of this year.

c. Justin Ward is trying to get the Fashion seminar going for this summer. He needs an assistant to help run a one day seminar. A discussion followed and it was decided that various seminars could be offered to students and the community. Instructors and topics would be up to the committee. The instructors would be paid about \$300-500 per seminar. It was suggested in order to get more participation, the cost per individual could be kept to about \$99.00. A manageable sum for students also.

III. New Business

a. Summer entries into the A.S. Photography program will be required to take Legal Issues in Photography (PGY 1279). This replaces the Alternative Process class, which will become an elective.

b. The full time Photography Instructional Assistant is approved and now ready to post.

c. Two students will be our first graduates in the A.S. Photo program this semester. Two more students are on track to graduate this summer. There are officially 94 students in the program, but 25-35% are unaccounted for. It is Barton Gilmore's responsibility to track them and their classes. The department posts a 2-year schedule of classes for students benefit. The state is most interested in job placement. They track 3 things: going on to a 4 year degree, going into the military, and working in the field. It is more important to insure that when students graduate from this program, they are prepared!

d. Discussed the new lighting system and other items requested. More space is needed for photography program and visual arts in general. This will allow more classes being offered. IV. Open Discussion

a. Voted on mealtime and meeting time for the Fall-Joint Advisory Committee Meeting. Majority chose to have lunch @ 12PM on Friday Sept. 7, 2012. Meeting will immediately follow. The location will be at the Icot Center, building Epi Center on 58th street.

b. Frank Duffy mentioned that Central Florida ASMT is offering a free student portfolio review, time and place to be decided.

V. Meeting adjourned at 3:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Tina Koufas-Eisbacher