

# St. Petersburg College Photographic Technology Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Thursday October 11, 2018

**Time:** 2:00 p.m. in Conference Room 156

**Location:** Clearwater Campus: 2465 Drew Street, Clearwater, FL. 33765-2898

**Members Present:** Barton Gilmore, Tina Koufas-Eisbacher, Christie Anger, Jonathan Steele, Eleni Christipoulos, Sergey Ginzburg, Frank Duffy, & Zora Carrier

**Absent Members:** Art Becker, Brian Swartzwelder, Ric Savid, Beth Reynolds, Pierre Dutertre, Robert Lawson, Pierce Brunson, Boyzell Hosey, Jonathan Barnes, Tom Bailey, Ken Hannon, Pepito Valdes, & Eddie Ocasio

- I.
  - a. Call to Order.
  - b. Welcome & Introductions, Barton Gilmore.
  - c. Approve minutes of April 20th, 2017 meeting

## II. Old Business & Updates:

- a. This year concludes the programs first year teach-out of the AS Degree and Certificate in Photography. Teach-out ends Spring 2021. Students need to be aware of time line so they can complete this.
- b. Considering offering adult education programs in Photography on the Clearwater campus as a means to further promote the Photography program in general. Andrea Henning is in charge of this.
- c. Students are increasingly requesting paid internships due to job conflicts. No longer practical to expect un-paid internships in this economy.
- d. FUSE articulation agreement for photography with USF on hold. Students transfer options and continued educational success is objective.
- e. Decided to continue 8 week summer semester instead of 11 weeks due to alignment conflicts for other classes and students scheduling. Beeba mentioned that the 8 weeks leave her students lacking knowledge to continue, So it was decided she would focus on which skill sets would be covered in the summer 8 week program.

## III. New Business:

- a. A copy of the Digital Media Pathway for Photography Sub plan was given to each board member present and discussed. It was decided that we need more photo classes put into the elective courses. Also, the expectations need to change, as in listening more to the students will help prioritize what to offer on the Certificate. So now the AS in photography will transition to a new one under the umbrella Digital Media AS Degree.
- b. Digital Photography 2800C will be developed spring 2019 and offered online as a course option for fall 2019. Beeba is developing a Digital Imaging class that can be online also.

- c. Enrollment is flat for both college and photography program, however students are beginning to enter new Digital Media Photography program . This year we have 6 graduates in the AS Degree.
- d. Discussed a possible student photography show at FMOPA. They have a community gallery. Zora was responsive to the idea. Will decide maybe for April or May. Could possibly have the advisory meeting during this show.

#### **IV. Other News & Open Discussion:**

- a. Members of the photography club elected officers (30 members total) and discussed possibly going to Orlando this spring.
- b. Six graduates in the AS Degree program this academic year and four certificates.
- c. Faculty Exhibit at LRMA; runs through December.
- d. Photography Exhibit planned for January 2019.
- e. Two photography students were recognized at the SEMmy Awards at the Digital Media Department's annual event.
- f. Field trip to Pepito's scheduled next week for Studio Lighting Class.
- g. Al Becker here on October 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### **V. Setting of Next Meeting Dates & Location**

Next meeting will be in March or April

Adjournment was at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Tina Koufas-Eisbacher*