ST. PETERSBURG COLLEGE Public Safety Advisory Committee Tuesday, September 10, 2013

Attendees: Dorene Thomas (Pinellas Park PD), Lisa Wentz (PCSO), Jill Dileanis (Pinellas Park High School First Responders), Sally Bishop (Pinellas Co. Emergency Management), David Romine (retired law enforcement), James Angle (Palm Harbor Fire Rescue),

SPC: Charles Crowther, Kevin Thomas, Anna Goree, Christine Pribyl, Angel Bates, Amy Brush, Shirley Johnson, Michael Hughes, Brian Frank

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Enrollment	Overall slightly down, however, Crime Scene and Digital Forensics show an increase.	None taken
Fire Science & Emergency Management	Charles Crowther named Academic Chair for Fire, EAM, and PSA. AS Revisions completed: ENC 2210 or 1102 will now be choices for students instead of only ENC 2210; requirement for Statistics in EAM is waived to 'any college level math'; CGS 1100 no longer required for Fire-AS and is replaced with additional FFP coursework.	None taken
	Changes in Fire-AS will become effective when Fire College activates new requirements in FO1 and FO2. This will result in a decrease in courses offered and reduced enrollment. In addition, other colleges will start to offer online Fire Science classes which will affect enrollment.	
Criminal Justice/Crime Scene/Digital Forensics	Michael Hughes named Academic Chair. He has noticed that many students in the program have entered the law enforcement academies and have expressed desire in continuing with the Bachelor's program. Digital Forensics had its first program graduate Spring 2013.	None taken
Public Safety Administration	All 3 full-time faculty members have completed industry certification for online teaching with the Sloan Consortium. New and revised PSA classes are being offered. Courses are more interactive and have added case studies. Students must pass a qualifying exam prior to exiting the program.	None taken
College Experience Initiative	SPC has been working to get adjunct instructors more involved in the student success initiative. There will be a workshop with various skill sessions offered at Allstate on Nov. 7, 2013.	Department will make sure its adjuncts are informed about this session and encourage attendance.
Department/Program Changes	Brian Frank named SEPSI Training Center Director effective 7/1/13. With the added responsibilities, an additional administrative/academic level was needed which resulted in Michael Hughes being named Academic Chair of the Academies and Charles Crowther named Academic Chair of the Fire Training Center.	Other campus Deans will be
	There will be a new advising email address for Public Safety Programs developed so that all requests come through one pipeline. Internship courses have been developed for Criminal Justice, Fire Science/Emergency Management, and Public Safety. Candidates will need to have completed 75% of their degree and approved by the department before participating.	informed that our main advising focus will be narrowed to our programs only.

Other Business	Job interviewing skills were discussed. SPC has Career Centers on other campuses with many services available for job seekers including interviewing techniques, proper attire, building resumes. Those present felt these skills need to be emphasized to new graduates.	Staff will endeavor to make our students aware of the services; a possible course- imbedded video of similar 'training' could be developed.
	SPC will be selecting a new online learning management platform. Once it is chosen there will be many changes requiring training of all instructional staff.	
Next Meeting	The date of Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2014 was chosen for next meeting.	Staff will remind committee members of the meeting.