

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT MEETING Computer Programming and Analysis, Networking Services Breakout Meeting April 10, 2015 – U-107 1:30 PM

Present:

D. Johnson, A. Blitz, V. Butler, P. Coal, T. Pagano, J. Beard, M. Zamniak, J. Babcock, T. Rath, C. Wolfe,

The following items were discussed.

- Professor Blitz informed the group that SAM integration will automatically grade student's work, but requested to take a vote on whether or not to implement it for Fall due to the following reasons.
 - Students would need to buy SAM for each class.
 - It gives a single sign on.
 - Gives auto grade integration.
 - The current cost to the student for SAM is \$120-\$140.
 - It would cost the same for the integrated as it would for the separate access card. The integrated is "canned" and cannot be changed. The separate access can be changed.

One solution would be to purchase a SAM site license. Lab fees could be increased to cover the cost of the site license. It is too late to implement higher fees for this Fall, but fees could be increased for Fall 2016. Professor Blitz researched other colleges and found that they charge between \$100 -\$120 for their lab fee. After further discussion, faculty voted to go with the separate access card.

• Currently the all-digital version of the text is the more expensive choice for students. After checking with the bookstore, it was discovered that this should not be the case. The bookstore will correct the price. The new price will make it the lesser expensive choice.

- Professor Blitz will start loading course shells this coming week.
- It was voted that final exams will be proctored.
- There were no other textbook changes.
- Faculty discussed the Fall schedule.
 - The new CGS1100 is not being offered at the Collier Campus for Fall. It was suggested that this be reviewed. Students cannot take any other core course in the program until they have taken this course. It was further discussed that not all students will need this course. For example, students who are coming into the program with industry certifications may not need the course.
 - Students should meet with Michelle Zamniak if they have any questions regarding which courses are needed, or questions regarding the sequence of courses. The catalog under which the student entered into the program will impact the courses needed.
 - It appears that there are too many sections of CGS1000 being offered for Fall.
- Professor Blitz was happy to announce that common assessments were now providing good data. This data can be used to improve the course content where needed.
- Professor Johnson reminded the group that revisions were needed in the course shells for CGS1000, CGS2108, and CGS1100. Major work is needed in CGS2108.
- Whether or not to include Chapter 1 for CGS1100 was discussed. Faculty discussed the possibility of making the determination after the students are given the initial course pretest. Professors Johnson and Coale agreed that Chapter 1 was needed for their ground sections. Professor Blitz said he would include it in the online course shell so that faculty could use it if they chose.
- Professor Johnson asked if everyone was using percentage points achieved for the final exam. The answer was yes. This could be modified for next time, if needed.
- Faculty discussed that, overall, students performed the worst in the Access module.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM.