

**SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT MEETING**  
**Computer Programming and Analysis, Networking Services**  
**Breakout Meeting**  
**February 13, 2015 – E-216**

Present: Andy Blitz, Vincent Butler, Jennifer Cohen, Deborah Johnson, Jackie Beard, Ivan Guerrero and Mark Morgan (taking minutes)

The following was discussed or took place:

Majority of the meeting was a presentation by Cengage Learning. Representing Cengage was Tim Ries (Digital Specialist) and Candace Mellon (District Manager). Not in attendance but mentioned was Micha Stone (Learning Consultant) who is our point of contact. The Cengage presentation focused on the following topics:

- Text Book update
- SAM Updates
- CANVAS
- Emerge with Computers: Innovative Solution for Computer Concepts/CGS 1000

**Text Book update -** Tim reports that new texts pretty much in tact with the major changes being made are more of enhancements to the text and Cengage will be using Microsoft's One Note product to add additional information for students. Text pages will remain the same and no changes in syllabus will be needed. There will also be additional information to the appendix as well.

**SAM Updates –** Cengage is introducing a "grace period" function where students can be issued temporary passwords good for 21 days for instances where students are unable to buy the SAM product before class begins for whatever reason. Cengage is also developing a "student study guide" that is mobile compatible, more details to follow in the months to come.

**CANVAS -** Cengage has enabled SAM to connect to CANVAS allowing instructors to build courses in SAM and then port them over and populate a CANVAS shell.

**Emerge with Computers -** An all-digital product that provides web friendly content. The product provides labs for both platforms (PC and Mac's). This product could be an alternative to the printed textbook.

Further discussion included:

- Any text books that need to change
- An issue that students that buy used books or from another source cannot get into the online SAM portion. Cengage response was to make sure that students can buy SAM product access

independent of text book, so that in the future students will have the option to buy the text and SAM as a bundle or independently.

- Andy will work with Cengage to get Vinny, Jennifer and Deborah access so that they can get in and play with the “Emerge” product and see how they like it.