Criminal Justice Advisory Board Meeting Wednesday March 27, 2019

In attendance: Richard Gibbons, Collier Co Sheriff's Office; Bernandine Carter, Lee County Sheriff's Office; Mike Tamulionis, Lee County Sheriff's Office; Keith Henson, Glades County Sheriff's Office; Cindy West, Hendry County Sheriff's Office; Jason Ciaschini, Punta Gorda PD; Todd Everly, Public Service Academy; Scott Lineberger, Lee County Sheriff's Office; John Barkley, Naples PD; Mary Conwell, FSW; Jennifer Baker, Associate Dean; Debbie Psihountas, Dean; Richard Worch, Chair

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Bernie Carter called for a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. The motion was seconded, all were in favor, and none opposed.

Agenda

- Introductions
- Old Business
 - o Recruiter Update
 - Introduction of New Recruiter
 - Cohort Update
 - Introduction of New Associate Dean
 - Presentation by New Associate Dean on Cohort Progress
 - Comments by Board Member Dr. Bernie Carter on Lee County's cohort efforts
- New Business
 - o Discussion of offering additional Cohorts (open floor)
 - Status of hiring the new Crime Scene Technology Professor
- Comments by Board Members
- Adjourn

Recruitment: We may have enough interested people for 2 or 3 different cohorts. Jennifer has been working with Bernie Carter to get cohort set up. Admissions will provide a link for students to get the process started. The hope is to get unofficial transcripts of interested people to see where they are at and group those together that are at the same place.

We have streamlined the application process and application fees are waived. We can do offsite testing if placement testing is needed. We come to the students and make the process as easy as possible to minimize all complications.

Jennifer asked for info on a counterpart to Bernie Carter in the other agencies in the area that she can work with to coordinate recruitment and creating a cohort at other agencies

The goal is to get students to completion and will work with the agencies to identify students with issues.

FSW has an articulation agreement with all agencies. If a student has gone through the academy, we will waive up to 15 credits required towards a degree. Once they have completed 12 credits with us, they will receive the waiver of additional credits. This will allow students to take the classes that interest them, rather than having to take general education courses.

Next step is to meet with high school academy students. These students can begin work on A.S. degree while waiting to be old enough to go to academy.

Students that are dual-enrolled can get the gen-ed courses completed while in high school. 2 courses in criminal justice taken in high school will count for Intro to Criminology for either degree.

The long-term goal is to have criminal justice cohorts in each of the 5 counties. There must be at least 12 sustainable students for the cohort to run.

Bernie has 40 from her agency ready to form a cohort; waiting on the application link to get started.

Bernie would like to group cohorts by geography rather than job. Cross agencies will give more robust discussion. Students can learn from each other and from other agencies.

Hiring for crime scene technology position

There were 32 applicants and 2 are being invited to campus for in person interviews

New course being developed in cyber law that could be an elective across multiple degree programs.

Next meeting is set for September 25, 2019 @ 11:30 am.