

**Criminal Justice, Crime Scene Technology, and Public Safety Administration
Advisory Committee Meeting
Wednesday, November 18, 2020
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm, Virtual Zoom Meeting**

In Attendance: Captain Jason Ciaschini, Punta Gorda Police Department; Todd Everly, Director, Southwest Florida Public Service Academy; Caroline Siefert, FSW; Dr. Richard Worch, FSW; Krissy Cabral, FSW; Lieutenant Todd Davis, Charlotte County Sheriff's Office; Jennifer Baker, FSW; Dr. Debbie Psihountas, FSW; and Jill De Valk, FSW.

Welcome and Introductions: Dr. Worch welcomed all in attendance with introductions around.

Unfinished Business: He stated that Jerry Connolly was interested in becoming the Advisory Committee Chair but is not able to make the meeting. There are not enough board members for a quorum to approve him today.

Criminal Justice Professor: Dr. Worch mentioned that the search committee for the Professor, Criminal Justice position has selected three finalists to present teaching lectures on December 1, 2020, from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Mike Nisson, current Criminal Justice Professor will be retiring from FSW at the end of the Fall semester. Advisory Committee members are invited to attend the presentations. Dr. Psihountas will provide the Zoom links to anyone interested in attending.

College Credit Certificates: The Criminal Justice programs are preliminarily working on two college credit certificates, including a Homeland Security certificate and a Criminal Justice certificate. The Homeland security CCC will be 12 credits and the Criminal Justice CCC will be 24 credits. The CCC's will allow students to complete certificates while they are completing their AS degree. The CCC's will be completed by Spring in order to be reviewed by the Curriculum Committee in the fall 20221.

Job Fair: Dr. Psihountas mentioned that there is a virtual job fair scheduled on February 11, 2021, from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Information will be sent out to the area agencies in early January. Each employer will have a Zoom breakout room where students can visit them.

Todd Everly encouraged representatives of FSW Criminal Justice degree programs to come out to talk to recruits at SWFPSA. Dr. Psihountas requested the dates that advisors could visit the academy. It was mentioned that one year after academy completion is the best target date to recruit officers to enroll in further education.

The next meeting will be February 2021. Dr. Worch thanked all for participating in the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 12:28 PM.