# COMPUTER SCIENCE MINUTES

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**Item 1**| **Approval of the previous minutes**.

A Dr. Ken Belcher motion seconded by Dr. Webster was approve unanimously.

**Item 2** | **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Dr. George Kodsey started by introducing Michelle Pelletier, director of the RIST Cybersecurity Institute. Michelle then discussed Outcomes Assessment with regards to the requirements in the Computer Programming and Cybersecurity degree programs.

**Item 3**| **Outcomes Assessment Issues**

Michelle Pelletier led the detailed discussion of Outcomes Assessment going over many different issues of CLO and PLO objectives and their connections to rubrics of assignments being assessed. Rushell Hopkins offered some advice on how to accomplish the various goals of assessment.

After a lengthy discussion Dr. George Kodsey asked faculty for any ideas on the matter and then proceeded to add this item to our next meeting for further discussion and building an action plan.

**Item 4**| **Discussion on Upgrading Microsoft Office Version**

Dr. Kodsey went over the details of considering upgrading to a newer version of Microsoft Office and its Impact on MOS Certification Exams (currently based on Office 2019). Faculty perspectives on whether upgrading would affect students' ability to pass the MOS exams were discussed. The discussion concluded with Potential strategies to support students if an upgrade is implemented and an overall agreement that upgrading is probably a good idea. A Dr. Snyder motion to upgrade to the newest version was seconded by Dr. Webster and approved by the faculty.

**Item 5**| **Statewide Course Numbering System (SCNS) and Prerequisites**

Dr. Kodsey began the review of recently identified courses in the Statewide Course Numbering System (SCNS) that impact program prerequisites, for example:

CAP 3612 Machine Learning: Valencia College lists CAP 3612 Machine Learning Essentials, and SCNS lists COP 3XXX Data Structures & Algorithms (FSW’s COP 3538 Data Structures for IT) as a required prerequisite.

CIS X644 Cybersecurity in Cloud Computing: SCNS lists minimum grades of C in CIS 3080 and CIS 3083C as prerequisites, which FSW does not currently offer.

After a lengthy faculty discussion, a Dr. Webster motion to approve offering CAP3612 Machine Learning in the BASIST program seconded by Dr. Kodsey was approved. A Rushell Hopkins motion to approve offering CIS 3644 **Cybersecurity in Cloud Computing** in the BASIST program (with a pre-requisite of CTS2120 which FSW currently offers) seconded by Dr. [Alex Djahankhah](https://www.fsw.edu/directory/people/adjahankhah) was approved by the faculty.

**Item 6**| **Textbook List for 2025**

Dr. Kodsey announced that Kim Egolf, Admin. Specialist in SoBT, will now help us manage the FSW Computer Science booklist and that Dr. Kodsey will send us all the shared excel file to edit. He asked that everyone edit the textbook information for your classes.