

Advisory Committee Meeting for Drafting/Design Technology  
April 26, 2019  
Dining Hall Meeting Room, 8 a.m.

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Attendance: Chris Toothman, Chair  
Sherry Strother  
Jerry Bacza  
Brian DeBiase  
Mike Butts  
Jody Ware  
Vanessa Haymond Co-Chair  
Rachel Beach  
Millie Thompson  
Secretary: Beverly Jones

Chair Chris Toothman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked everyone.

Curriculum changes: Chris asked for input on the DRFT 1100 and if it should be removed. After much discussion, the possibility of making it into a one credit course. Make Civil 3D into two hours.

CAD Certificates: Should we do specialized CAD Certificates instead of just one general?

After committee discussion, it was agreed to offer (3) different ones:

1. Architecture
2. Mechanical
3. Civil

SENATE BILL ONE: This was recently passed in the legislature with free tuition for students. Approval was given for the Drafting Design Program. This should help with enrollment for our students. Students are required to take a drug test and do community service for free tuition. They can take as 2-year or 4-year program.

As for the job market, the 2-year program is high. 38 different jobs in AutoCAD within a 25-mile radius of Fairmont.

CT: A 2+2 would be nice recruiting tool. Can do 2 years for free and roll it over into a 4-year degree in engineering.

FSU is ABET accredited. Should we go back to ABET from ATMAE? Chris is checking on this.

Committee discussed doing a 2 + 2 degree with FSU.

All agreed on keeping the Pierpont track that is in place now as is and offering another track for students wanting to move on to FSC Mechanical that would require them to take some FSC classes.

Election of new officers:

Chair: Chris Toothman  
Co-Chair: Vanessa Haymond  
Secretary: Beverly Jones