

NTEC -MINUTES Wednesday, May 22nd, 2024, at 3:30 PM Zoom

Members Present: Eric Cowen, Ryan Fanning, Eric Olmsted, Sean Moore

Members Absent: Michael Jaeger, Steve Bohling, Jim Schafer

Clark College: Dwight Hughes, Theo Koupelis, Elizabeth Flores, Giga Algeeq, Josie Sullivan

The meeting began at 3:35 PM.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The committee will meet on October 9th, 2024, at 3:30 PM.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from February 27th, 2024, were approved.

COLLEGE UPDATES

Theo discussed that the College conducted interviews for a Vice President of Instruction.

TECH UPDATES

Dwight discussed approved course changes that will begin in the fall of 2024.

- Microsoft server sequences.
- Adding a cyber operations class.
- Azure.

Dwight noted the program will inquire about AZ900's intro to Azure Cloud.

Ryan noted VMware is used highly at his workplace.

Dwight noted the program has a contract through VMware through November. However, the software might not have an academic program by then.

Dwight noted that students are testing Lennox Open-Source alternatives in case the program needs to adjust.

Dwight inquired if the industry members have thoughts about Hyper-V.

Eric suggested continuing with Hyper-V as it is a reliable and user-friendly platform.

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Dwight discussed paring back to maintain operational status, ensuring 24/7 lab access, and sustaining Net Lab. The department is undergoing rapid technological changes, and more information will be available in the fall of 2024.

ENROLLMENTS

Dwight shared that enrollments are increasing at 8-9%.

Sean asked about the CTE or Running Start pathways for the program.

Dwight discussed the agreement with Western Washington. The program is working with Rooted Charter School to become a Cisco Networking Academy. High school students can enter Clark College with some College credits and a Cisco CCNA certification.

Theo proposed that Clark College faculty could teach at Rooted Charter School or provide online classes to rural areas.

Eric suggested collaborating with local businesses and employers to join the conversation.

Sean discussed the benefits of a campaign for Cascadia Tech, or Skills Center, to mirror and develop Rooter Charter School.

CBAS RECRUITMENT

Dwight announced that the program is hiring a full-time CBAS professor. The position is open, and if you know anyone interested, urge them to apply. This is the second time the position is opening, and it is for a full-time tenure track.

Dwight and Giga are working on hiring part-time adjunct professors and ensuring the classes are covered.

ΑI

Dwight discussed implementing AI, piloting emerging technologies, and offering basket courses. He noted some solutions and mentioned that the program will have more updates by fall.

Eric discussed how to help businesses understand the use of AI.

Dwight welcomed feedback from the committee on the program's curriculum and course review process to determine its necessity.

BYLAWS

The committee reviewed and revised the bylaws.

The meeting adjourned at 4:51 PM.

Prepared by Elizabeth Flores