

**2015.2016
Mid-Year
Committee/Advisory Council Report**

Committee Name: Vernon College Computer and Information Sciences Advisory Committee

Chairperson: Stephen Caldwell

List of members: Stephen Caldwell, John Ranson, Javentino Quintanilla, Karen Kicks Fite, Matt Prescott, Kevin Wherry, Paul Gallagher, Donna Moore, Anthony Kirby, Deanna Bynum

Member Not Present: Tracy Chaddock, Drew Terrell (Run Biz)

Dates of meetings: November 19, 2015—4:30 PM

Accomplishments:

- Filled committee positions: Stephen Caldwell elected Chairperson, and Kevin Wherry elected Recorder.
- Approval of past minutes, program curriculums , outcomes and assessments.
- Review current curriculum, made minor changes; remove all articulations, removed courses no longer taught, added ITSC 1301 Introduction to Computers and COSCO 1301 as electives.
- Fall Graduates 2015 8 Associates, past semesters 9 Associates and 1 Certificates. Majors for 2015/2016 31, enrollment is steady with slight increase in the Computer Information Science program,
- Follow-up Success rate: 12 grads, 89% employed, attending college, military, self-employed
- Discontinue a Cisco Network Academy however; keep Certification based content in generic courses. Implement Cyber Security within various courses and continue teaching all Operating Systems and Virtual Server.
- Purchased equipment with Perkins funds: 6 additional 2900 Series routers to accommodate the new CISCO curriculum, Humanoid Robots for the Programming course and (6) Laptops for Network configurations.
- Professional Development: Continues WebEx online training, numerous CompTIA web seminars and hopes to attend the Comp TIA convention in Arizona.
- Promoted program: Sophomore Roundup, visits high schools, tours

Recommendations: None

Membership suggestions: Update: As suggested in the last meeting, the needs of the Veterans and handicapped were reviewed. Sharon collaborated with Workforce Solutions to encourage enrollment. The past semester showed increased registration of returning veterans and

handicapped. Members suggest keeping up with current technology and continuing with curriculum outlined.

Agendas, exhibits and minutes posted to Vernon College web site address: N/A
<http://www.vernoncollege.edu/CollegeEffectiveness/Committees.aspx>

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