

**Lethbridge College
Computer Information Technology - Advisory Committee
Tuesday – March 18, 2014
6:00 – 8:00 PM
IB2149**

MINUTES

Present: Cal Koskowich, Mathew Lynch, Clark Ferguson, Alan Schneider
Students: Mike Paulson
Faculty/Staff: Alan Andron, Stephen Graham, Barry Robinson,
Terry Allred, Dennis Sheppard
Regrets: Fergus Raphael, Nathan Sailer, Jimm Valentinsen,
Sabina Visser, Mike Stevens, Dave Gelowitz, Jake Waiboer
Recorder: Lacey Gretchen

1. Welcome & Introductions

Matt welcomed everyone to the meeting. Introductions were made around the table.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Adoption of the agenda moved by Matt Lynch and seconded by Alan Schneider.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Adoption of the minutes moved by Alan Schneider and seconded by Cal Koskowich.

4. Program Updates

• **CIPS Accreditation Review**

The CIT program went through the CIPS Accreditation Review. During the debriefing, the review committee expressed that the program had no critical issues and only a few areas that could be improved upon.

• **Industry events, trends, etc.**

A trend that the committee has noticed is that many vendors are switching over to a pre-configured online subscription for software, as compared to purchasing the software. Alan Schneider shared that LCN will be using Microsoft Office 365. The committee asked that at the next meeting Alan share an update on the use of the tool. Stephen shared with the committee the process that he was a part of in assisting the college in choosing the web-based tool that the College would be utilizing in lieu of Angel. This is Alan Andron's last term as co-Chair with the School of Business, he will be returning to a full-time faculty position in the Fall 2014 term.

5. College Wide & Staffing Update

The College has a new VP Academic & CLO, Stuart Cullum, who started in November. The College has implemented and is focused on four new strategies, including people development, collaborative partnerships, academic transformation, and resource innovation. The College has changed the vision and mission statements. The College is currently advertising for a Dean of Applied Research. Canvas, a new learning module system will be used by the College starting in the Fall 2014 term. The College is also moving to a Bring Your Own Device initiative which will be implemented by 2016.

6. Student Feedback

- **2nd Year Student, Mike Paulson**

Mike expressed that students find the first term more difficult than the second term. Students would like to take the Integration Seminar course in the Fall term so that they are better prepared to apply for practicums in the Winter term. Students would like the program to look into setting up an accreditation agreement with the University of Lethbridge that would allow students to transfer into the Bachelor of Management in Computer Science.

7. Next Meeting Date & Time

The next meeting date will be set for September 16, 2014 from 6 – 8 pm in IB2149.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:40 pm