SURVEYING ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

Minutes from Industrial Advisory Council Meeting with Students December 2, 2005

Attendees
Council Members
Joe McNichols
Dave Tatecomb
Shep Shepard
Mike White
Claire Kiedrowski
Dave Cook
Tim Patch
Ken Roy
Dave Brandt
David Hilbern

Students
Chris Martin
Robert Miles
Michael Thoreson
Andy Brown
Kara Lawson
Fred Stohlman
Jonathan Miller
Sean Lahann
Suzanne Graves-Hall
Charles Lake

Tara Jeffers
Andrew Paradee
Robert Goodwill

Ray opened meeting explaining informal format between IAC and students. Introduced Carlton Brown as new faculty member. Went around room for Introductions.

Assigned Joe McNichols as facilitator Ray and Carlton left room.

Students voiced approval of new room configuration. More Room

How many worked in surveying during summer?
¾ of Students did.
3 students was first summer surveying.
3 work for BLM

Any students who couldn’t find surveying work?
No shortage of opportunities
Students voiced to get job opportunities on Board.
IAC stressed importance of getting experience during summer in this field.

Tim mentioned that the Vermont Scholarship is not being awarded and someone should apply.

Ms. Graves-Hall noted that she can not apply to any MSLS scholarships because she is only a part-time student. Suggested scholarship for a non-traditional part-time student.

AC asked how Ray’s classes were?
Most replied good.
One commented tough learning GPS in field with lot of students huddled around collector.
Construction/Contract Law course should be required.

IAC asked students what they need to do to better recruit students.
   Money!!!!
   Give Job Advertisements to Ray to put on board.
   Show prospective students technology
      GPS
      Photogrammetry
      Autocad
      Total Stations
      Data Collectors
   Tech Centers are where some students got interested.

Ray Came in and students left.

Discussed 2 week May term survey camp.

IAC voiced concern about some students maybe feeling that they would walked out as a surveyor after receiving degree without experience, and having a black box mentality to technology.

Discussed Internship being required for graduation. Must have some guide lines not just cutting and running line.

Discussed students dislike of business courses and plotter.

Respectfully submitted

Kenneth Roy