

**University of Maine**  
**Surveying Engineering Technology Industrial Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**Soderberg Auditorium, Jenness Hall**  
**Friday, December 7, 2007**

Meeting Convened 3:30 PM EDT  
Meeting Adjourned 4:30 PM EDT

IAC Members Present

David Brandt  
David Cook  
Claire Kiedrowski  
Scot Macdonald

Joseph McNichols  
Jason G. Racette  
Ken Roy  
Shep Sheppard

David Titcomb  
Rich Vannozi  
R. Michael White

Students Present

Tyler A. Durant  
Suzanne Graves-Hall  
Sean Lahann

Robert Miles  
Alex Ogilvie  
Tyler Rigazio

Samuel Luke Stietzel  
Fred Stohlmar

Director Scott Dunning and Dean Dana Humphrey provided an overview of the School of Engineering Technology before each program broke out into its specific work groups.

Ray Hintz invited the students to join the SVT IAC members and then he and Carlton Brown left while the IAC members discussed the SVT program with the students.

Six of the students who participated in the IAC meeting will be graduating this academic year, either in December 2007 or May 2008.

Students expressed great thanks to Carlton because he is available almost all week long to answer their questions one on one, and also expressed thanks to Ray and Knud Hermansen who promptly respond to questions via e-mail.

Students reported positive feedback with the Boundary Law and Writing Legal Descriptions classes but were less enthusiastic about the Applied Calculus class. The students are a bit disappointed with the calculus class because of the lack of land surveying-related problems.

Students enjoy Ray's photogrammetry class and like the fact that it is geared to land surveying versus other photogrammetry classes which may be more for those students interested in natural resource management.

Students expressed an interest in having the SVT computer lab for their exclusive use. There appears to be other students using the lab space at times therefore limiting the work area for SVT students.

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The SVT computer lab does not have dedicated IT support and at the present time, students reported that each of the computers in the lab were not operating properly. Students were pleased the library has plotting capabilities but were uncertain if all the students in the SVT program know about this.

MSLS offers a review class for the Fundamentals of Surveying exam but the students were not aware of this class. The IAC would like to do a better job at making this class available to students.

MSLS offers merit-based scholarships for students. Students should visit the MSLS web site or inquire with MSLS leadership for more details.

The student chapter of ACSM is not planning on attending the 2008 ACSM/LSAW Conference in Spokane, WA in March 2008, but expressed an interest in any ideas IAC members may have related to fund raising.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason G. Racette  
December 9, 2007