University of Maine Surveying Engineering technology fall 2015 Industrial Advisory Meeting

Attendees
Joe McNichols, Jason Racette, David Cook, David Humphreys, Sam Suorsa, Claire Kiedrowski, Shep Sheppard, Scot MacDonald, David Titcomb, Jeffrey McDougal, Carlton Brown, Ray Hintz, plus 34 SVT students

Meeting convened at 2:30 pm

Spring 2015 meeting notes were approved.

The students appear satisfied with the SVT program in terms of job placement, courses, equipment, support, etc. The ease of transfer credits into the program was important for several new transfer students. Last year’s major complaint – Physics – was not even mentioned this year suggesting a satisfactory remedy has been made.

The only negative items indicated consistently by 2 students (and the decision by IAC for remedy) were

1. Keep lower level surveying classes not on-line. On-line for upper level class work seemed appropriate considering the distance many students are traveling to take live courses.

2. A sign up sheet for checking out of equipment is desired. It was realized after the meeting with students that is the current process so no action is required.

3. A computer lab is desired. It was realized after the meeting that this is not necessary based on the requirement that all students have laptops and that all software is provided at no charge. The software being utilized runs very efficiently on a $600 lap top.

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