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Professor, Drafting Technology, CSM

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Professor, Digital Media - DGME, CSM

AGENDA / MINUTES

Meeting began at 6:35

Location: iDumpling, Redwood City, CA

- *Introductions*
- *Update on Drafting Program* L. Vorobey
 - All classes are now asynchronous.
 - No Textbook – roughly 150 pages of handouts per class.
 - Student ages run from high-school students to retired engineers, architects, designers.
 - Attrition rate similar to face-to-face classes.
 - Exit survey with students who were struggling and wished to drop the class complained that they weren't able to keep up with the homework. A 3-unit class requires 9-15 hours of work per week. Every assignment has a due date roughly 3 weeks later. Most students leave the course work until Sundays since assignments are due on Sundays at 11:59pm.
 - Course additions includes more discussion about videos that are about preference. Angela Duckworth's GRIT Text Talk prompted many to rethink why they were taking a drafting course.
- *Discussion Topic: What has media done to students?*
 - BS: Sound bites have lessened the attention span. Bob spoke about how news stories have been reduced to simple and outlined form of hit points with little supporting information.
 - LV: Students have difficulty reading (many ESL students). Course handouts are full

of course specific terminology. End result is that students do not read the directions before they create the assignments (drawings).

WW: Can you have an entry English exam? LV: Prerequisite is a basic English course or equivalent.

- **Open Conversation** – Discussion

- **What other programs are popular?** Which software programs could be added to the DRAF Program?
 - Rhino?
 - Keyshot? – a rendering program – would enhance AutoCad 3D (we do not offer that course any more) & Solidworks. It would only enhance the work of two classes.
 - Creo? - NS uses Creo at Northrup. Very difficult program that is not intuitive.
- **Any other skill sets to add to the following list?**

Additions are in red.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:15

SKILL SETS EMPLOYERS LOOK FOR IN CAD DRAFTERS

Communication

Written communication, nonverbal communication, verbal communication, active listening, conciseness

Teamwork

Empathy, coordination, conflict management

Work ethic

Discipline, integrity, accountability, self-initiative **ABILITY TO WORK INDEPENDENTLY (at home).**

Computer skills

In addition to the specific CAD software, Microsoft Office Suite, e-mail management

Time management

Planning, self-starting, prioritization, goal setting, organization, delegation

Interpersonal skills

Presentation skills, risk-taking, diplomacy, tolerance, sensitivity, patience, flexibility

Additional Skills

The ability to create hand sketches and drawings, create and lead PowerPoint presentations.

Ability to edit photographs for displays, presentations.

Ability to write outlines for presentations.