IUP Cybersecurity Scholarship Program Meeting Minutes
February 2nd 2024 - 11:15 AM

- Attended by: Dr. Waleed Farag (PI), Dr. Soundararajan Ezekiel, Ben Reno, Noah Suley, Meghan Schilpp, Jared Gisen, Brody Rife, Noah Oberholtzer, James Searer, Malcolm Holden, Evan Crooks, Julia O'Brien, and Vincent Emery
- Not in Attendance: James Saylor, Thomas McGillan
- Move to approve minutes of last meeting by Jared, 2nd by Brody

Renewal:

- Confirmed returning students applied for new CySP cycle (AY 2024-25)
- Deadline for new and returning students was Feb.1, 2024
- Graduating students confirmed that their graduation requirements will be fulfilled this semester.
- All CySP recepients confirmed their number of credits this semester and that there is no plan to change these numbers:
  Ben – 12
  Brody – 7
  Noah S – 16
  Meghan – 12
  James – 7
  Malcolm – 6
  Julia – 15
  Noah O – 16
  Jared – 12
  Evan – 12
  Vincent – 6

Announcements:

- Students all have $625 allowance at IUP bookstore for Spring 2024
  - Within one month, these accounts will close so that leftover balance for possible eReader can be assessed. Updates will be discussed next meeting.
- PI has used Next Gen System to assign $13,500 stipend to each student in Spring 2024.
  - All students confirmed they received stipend.
- Students cannot accept any other financial aid or scholarship other than CySP financial package.
- Students must maintain GPA and graduation requirements for CySP.

Discussions:
- If textbook is not in IUP Bookstore, buy it from third-party and keep receipt. Then send that information to Dr. Farag to be reimbursed using the $625 textbook allowance.
- Cybersecurity Club competition – First club meeting this past week, where students were registered for NCAE Cyber Games Hackathon
  - Trying to recruit more members, those that have already competed twice cannot again.
- CySP students are responsible for attending all CySP meetings, participate in extracurricular activities, respond promptly to all emails, promote the scholarship and cybersecurity programs across IUP, update the PI and Co-PI with grades, progress, and any outstanding issues, work with project PIs on assigned research projects and produce technical report and maintain up-to-date portfolio of cybersecurity-related activities.
- Need to send Dr. Farag cyber security portfolio by March 1, 2024 at 4PM if students have not sent them yet.
- Any CySP students who is working need to notify Dr. Farag via email and ensure that they do not work more than 20 hours to ensure compliance with scholarship regulations.

Next Meeting: March 18, 2024 at 11:15AM

Respectfully submitted by Malcolm Holden and Dr. Waleed Farag