

Minutes for the Cybersecurity Scholarship Program (CySP) Meeting

August 31st, 2018 at 2:15 PM in Stright 320

Attended By: Dr. Waleed Farag, Dr. David Smith, Dr. Soundararajan Ezekiel, Dan Richmond, Rebecca George, and James Lutz.

1. Went over announcements including the timeline of the grant award and approval.
2. Dr. Farag explained the grant funds and cost centers. He also went over the steps he completed to ensure that each recipient gets their scholarship benefits promptly.
3. Each CySP recipient must complete the scholarship acceptance and agreement forms on Next Gen ASAP.
4. Each CySP recipient has an account with the IUP Coop Store for \$650 worth of required text books.
5. Dr. Farag clearly explained the criteria that each recipient must fulfill in order to maintain their eligibility for the academic year of 2018-2019. He also reviewed the requirements for the portfolios each recipient must construct and submit.
6. Along with other requirements, our group talked about the fact that the recipients may take up to but not any more than 17 credits per semester according to the scholarship guidelines.

7. Dr. Farag asked each recipient to email him the specs and a quote for the desired laptop they choose. They must also include a brief justification.
8. Dr. Ezekiel provided us with a research opportunity. He invited all three recipients to partake in his ongoing research projects and gave a glimpse into what his team is currently researching.
9. Dr. Smith recommended a few extracurricular activities such as the Code Breaker Challenge and the Penetration Testing Competition at PSU.
10. The group also discussed the possibility of attending conferences as there are opportunities to receive sponsorships for attendance at some conferences related to cybersecurity.
11. We discussed details regarding the Cybersecurity Club. James and Dan showed interest in leading the club and will continue to work together to get the club up and running for our first meeting.
12. We all agreed to have this meeting on the last Friday of each month at 2:20 PM. We will keep this meeting time flexible to accommodate for months where we will not all be here such as November and December.
13. Our meeting concluded at 3:10 PM.

Submitted By: Dan Richmond and Waleed Farag