



MEETING MINUTES OF THE PRE-LAW & PARALEGAL STUDIES
ADVISORY COUNCIL-FALL 2015 MEETING

Date: December 15, 2015

Present: Monica Williams, Alumnus of Program
Millicent Rubin, Alumnus of Program
Tammy McBride, Alumnus of Program
Shirley Snyder, Coordinator, Pre-law/Paralegal Studies & Criminal Justice Programs & Associate Professor

Absent: All present

I. *Review of Minutes* for corrections and revisions.

Minutes from the April 30, 2015 meeting of the Pre-law/Paralegal Studies Advisory Council was accepted, the following revisions:

- (1) Under Reports, 1(c), change Fall 3015 to Fall 2015
- (2) Under Reports, 1(c) change PLPS 30560-DL to PLPS 3050-DL.

II. *Review of current status of the program.*

- a. Contact information for members was confirmed and/or updated.
- b. Current status of program was discussed including numbers and courses.
- c. Major in PLPS Studies discussed.
 1. Discussed feasibility of a PLPS major and determined to consider further research.
 2. Council research done and to be done.
 - i. Programs offered in Louisiana that might conflict with a pre-law major at NSU.
 - ii. Brainstormed what to offer in this degree that makes it and its graduates more marketable; i.e. to make it the "premiere pre-law/paralegal program" in Louisiana.
 - iii. An "Honors Degree in Pre-law" was raised; one with an ethics requirement.
 - iv. Discussed Concentration and minor focuses for major in Pre-law: paralegal studies, business, medical terminology & work, notary
 - v. Writing and transcriptions
 - i. More writing and legal research requirements.

II. *Brainstorming Ideas for Program.*

- What next?
 - a. Report on program numbers status-Snyder.
 - b. Recruitment report-Snyder/McBride.
 - c. Major in PLPS. Discussion and reports on research.

- d. Speak with NSU high school recruiters to get PLPS information at H.S. level.
- Next Meeting Date: Spring 2016. Will plan a lunch meeting at same location if group agrees.
- Meeting adjourned.