

Cybersecurity Education Management Council (CEMC) Meeting Davison Athletics Complex | Louisiana Tech University December 4, 2024 | 1:00 P.M.

Committee Members/Representatives Present

William Bradley Bonnie Chelette Tristan Denley Emily DiPalma Rick Gallot (Proxy – Tom Hoover) Daphne Williams

Committee Members Not Present

Rick Bateman Michael Boykin Gabriel Fagbeyiro Paul Helton Greg Trahan

I. Welcome and Agenda Overview

Dr. Denley called the meeting of the Cybersecurity Education Management Council to order at 1:04 p.m. and welcomed the attendees. Next, Dr. Denley called the roll and noted quorum was obtained.

On motion of Mr. William Bradley, seconded by Dr. Daphne Williams, the Council approved the 2024 second-quarter meeting minutes.

Next, Dr. Denley provided an update on the work that is currently ongoing. He provided an update on the Louisiana Cyber Academy, made up of six Louisiana institutions with a focus on increasing the availability of cyber instruction across the state. He informed the Council that a memorandum of understanding has been signed, which creates a formal cooperative academic arrangement among the six institutions. He also informed the Council that a curricular oversight committee has been convened and has identified the first two courses to be offered: A+ Networking and an Introduction to Cyber course, which will be launched in the spring. He advised that the next step will be to look for additional partners to join the consortium of institutions.

II. 2025 RFA Discussion

Next, the Committee discussed the FY25 Request for Applications. Dr. Denley noted a change to the application, with the addition of reporting project outcomes. A Council member asked for information related to the new requirements for course progress and whether the reporting requirement would be retroactively applied to institutions that have already received funding. Dr. Denley responded that the intent is to request the data from the institutions that have received funding, as it will be included in the mandated annual report to the legislature.

On motion of Dr. Tom Hoover, seconded by Emily DiPalma, the Council approved the 2025 Request for Applications.

VI. Other Business/Adjournment

A Council member informed the Council that the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) received grant funding to hold small cyber academies throughout the state. Dr. Denley also announced to the Council that the Board of Regents was awarded grant funding from the National Association of System Heads, in collaboration with Google, for a variety of micro credentials for faculty, staff, and students at Louisiana public institutions.

A Council member also informed the Council that a relationship with Splunk allows institutions with Splunk to access the Splunk Academy and Splunk training courses. The member also informed the Council of the relationship that AWS has with Louisiana Tech, which allows students to earn industry credentials.

With no additional comments or items for discussion, through unanimous consent of the members, the Council adjourned at 1:20 p.m.