

Interior Design  
Advisory Committee Meeting  
Amarillo College West Campus, Building C  
November 16, 2005

Call to order for this meeting started at 12:30 p.m., Industry representatives attending the meeting were: Sherri Beasley, Gregg Bliss, Dr. Zane Curry, Chris Daniel, Sarah Degroode, Jerry Goebel, Summer Gowdy, Mark Grigsby, Jean Holsenbeck, Sharon Flatley, Dr. Randall Russ, Rick Walders. In attendance from Amarillo College, were Jerri Brown, Debby Carey, Gala Carpenter, Ann Fry, Deniese Heinen, Velvet Knight, Bob Lee, and Tony Thomas.

The meeting was opened with an introduction by Ann Fry who gave basic history about the current Amarillo College Interior Design program and introduced Bob Lee, the Chair of the Industrial and Transportation Division. Mr. Lee welcomed the group to Amarillo College and explained how crucial these meetings are to gain feedback from industry to the program.

On the agenda, was the election of Committee Officers. Jean Holsenbeck, of Ambience Custom Interiors was elected as Chair; Sherri Beasley, of Traditional Interiors was elected as secretary.

Summer Gowdy, who is the student sponsor for the ASID student chapter, reported about fundraising projects which included Funfest drawings for cookies, Career Day in December/February would be funded by a toy drive/ and a T-shirt design competition.

Ann Fry, gave program reports and listed student counts as 67 majors and a total of 108 students in the program. Projects to be looked at for the current school year are the renovation of building D, at the Amarillo College West Campus with a team approach to include both new and accomplished students. She also introduced the new Articulation Agreements with Texas Tech showing the inclusion of a ~~for~~ Drawing Class as a prerequisite for Presentation Drawing. ~~and Textile classes~~. This agreement will be reviewed every three years. The need for a pure textiles class was discussed as opposed to a class which would include not only the essential information about woven textiles, but also information about the wide variety of other materials used in design concepts. Tech does not currently teach a "textiles" class.

Course development in Building Systems class as a practicum class for those students who do not go into Universities was discussed as well the above mentioned class on Interior Materials to replace the current textile class. Those in attendance were given handouts to compare the current curriculum at Amarillo College to that of Texas Tech. Gregg Bliss suggested that he would like students to have more knowledge in how building materials are used to either build or remodel. He views this as more important

than textiles. Commercial building prints not areas Interior Design students are familiar with, but should be.

Finally, all discussions were wrapped up with Ann asking those in attendance to review the current course syllabus and outlines and provide feedback before she presented the new curriculum to the Amarillo College Academic Review Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gala Carpenter