Minnesota State
Community and Technical College

Meeting Name:	**Moorhead Advisory Committee Meeting**	Date:	February 13, 2026
Facilitator:	Tim Preuss	Time:	1:30 PM – 4:00 PM
Recorder:	Tim Preuss and Zoom Meeting Summary	Location:	In Person and Zoom Meeting
Members	James Anderson, Tony Anderson, Jody Bauer, Brian Bohanna, Dustin Bourgois, Bruce Curtis, Charles Francis, Gary Franz, Robert Harley, Joshua Hinkemeyer, Wyatt Johnson, John Kollman, Josh Reign, Mo Sam, Kishore Sappa, Jack Wenglewick, Tim Jaafaru, Jason Peterson, Emily Haverkamp, and Tim Preuss		
Purpose Statement	Industry representatives provide input and recommendations for IT program updates and future direction		

No.	Topic	Highlights
	Meeting Called to order	Motion to call meeting
1.	Welcome Members	James welcomed all members and began introductions
2.	Notes taken before the recording began	• Need to validate AI output • K-12 and others need to communicate how to use AI • Need to deal with certificate renewals
3.	Zoom AI generated meeting summary	**Key takeaways** • AI is increasingly being used in programming (about one-third of code), raising concerns about security, data protection, and ethical usage • Zero Trust architecture is trending toward identity-based security rather than network-based segmentation • The cybersecurity curriculum should balance understanding network components with protecting data as the primary goal

		- Students need to understand policy and governance aspects of cybersecurity, including relevant laws like HIPAA and FERPA - M-State is developing a new AI certificate program with three classes focused on foundational AI knowledge The Cyber Defense Competition provided valuable real-world experience for students facing actual attacks
4.	College Updates	Announce advertising for a Programming Instructor
5	Zoom AI Discussion Topics	**AI in the workplace and education** Discussion centered on responsible AI usage, data security concerns, and teaching students proper AI utilization. **Zero Trust architecture and network security** Discussion about the evolution of security approaches from network segmentation to identity-based security. **Cybersecurity curriculum updates** Discussion about balancing network components with data protection in the cybersecurity curriculum. **AI Certificate Program** Jason presented the new AI certificate program being developed at M-State. **Computer Programming curriculum updates** Jason discussed changes to the computer programming degree program. **Cyber Defense Competition** Tim shared details about the recent cybersecurity competition students participated in. **6G wireless technology** Discussion about emerging 6G wireless technology and its potential impact. **IPv6 adoption** Discussion about the current state and future of IPv6 implementation. **Job market trends in IT** Discussion about current hiring trends and the impact of AI on IT jobs.
6	Next Meeting: Late September or Early October	

Note: To-Do Items listed in Bold

- The college will work on offering the AI Certificate beginning in Fall 2026.
- The faculty will continue reviewing Cybersecurity and Information Technology programs for updates.