Northland Community & Technical College Auto Body Collision Technology Advisory Committee Meeting

Date & Time: April 30, 2019; 6:00 pm. **Campus**: Thief River Falls

MINUTES

Attendees: Kent Wagner, Cody Johnson, Josh Walton, Ira Johnson, Mike Paulson, Mike Curfman

Absent: Chuck Hoard

Topic	Responsible Party	Discussion/Outcome
Call to order		Meeting called to order by Cody Johnson at 6:15 pm.
1. Old Business		Lincoln High School Intro to Tech course – will be wrapping it up next week. Started with 12 students; ended with 9 Cody's informal polls indicated the students enjoyed the course, but none are committing to enroll at NCTC. Kent questioned whether the right students are being enrolled in Intro to Tech. PSEO isn't working as it's probably impacting Lincoln's financial status as tuition is directed past Lincoln to NCTC. Intent is that Kent and Cody will visit with Mike at Lincoln. Enrollment – Enrollment for next year is encouraging already. Cody attended meetings in Hallock and Grafton. Many businesses and industries are struggling to find employees. Cody will be renewing efforts at career fairs, increasing direct visits to schools and working on a pilot program in Grafton. 9 students should be returning for second year Curriculum – All tools in first year side were moved to second year side. Next year first year students will oversee checking out tools. "Lean" management processes will be part of the curriculum, so students understand all costs involved in painting and body work. Ole Tweet Donation Looking at giving \$200/new student from Ole Tweet scholarship.
		NAPA is still putting a kit w/pricing together.

	 Goal is to include the kit as a part of tuition cost, so teaching can commence immediately instead of waiting. Mike Curfman suggested talking with Lisa Bottem about setting this in motion. Promote student discounts, like Auto Value has, with L&M and others. New Committee Members Brad R is moving so at least one more member is needed. Would be good to have someone from the insurance/estimator field. Nitrogen Welder Welder is being used with tremendous results. Kent encouraged everyone to try the school's welder.
2. New Business	Industry Changes Aluminum repairers are in demand. New Tools PPG is bringing a new computer, camera, software, scale. 10 MP210 Lincoln welders are here. Sabbatical Replacement
Meeting adjourned	Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.