

AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE TECHNOLOGY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
NCTC EGF CAMPUS

February 15, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. in room 552.

Introductions were made.

Members present were: Tony Telken, Chair, Steve Klopp, Paul Anderson, Jerome Gerszewski, Bryan Funk, Rod Troftgrober Josh Carr, and Shannon Novak.

Faculty present: Scott Ripplinger, Mark Johnson, and Norman Halsa.

Administration present: Kent Hanson, NCTC Vice President, Norma Korschak, Dean of Academics.

There were no additions to the agenda.

A motion was made by Tony Telken to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Second by Paul Anderson.

Mark reported on his trip to the SEMA convention.

Mark stated that the IT department is getting prices on a Tough Book laptop to be used with EASE scanner software. He updated the committee on the proposed certificates for the automotive service program.

A discussion was held on the 2 ½ year NATEF evaluation that the EGF program was to complete this year. Mark stated that he had had a conversation with the folks from NATEF and they had agreed that we would not have to complete the evaluation being the program was being phased out. Kent stated that he had a conflicting statement from Erin at NATEF that they would have to complete the process. Mark stated that he would check with Brittany Miller at NATEF and get clarification. Kent stated that he wanted the reply from NATEF in writing.

Kent stated that he had reserved \$6000.00 for marketing the “Transportation center of Excellence. Mark spoke about marketing issues.

Kent spoke to the committee about the programs status and future plans. He had handouts explaining the issues and reasons for the changes that had been made. He stated that there could be a 1.5 to 3.0 million dollar shortfall, but didn’t know as of yet a solid figure. He stated that there was talk of performance funding tied to enrollment and graduate rates. He stated that reductions had to be made and the 2 year duplicate programs are the ones affected.

Mark told the committee that we were committed to having meetings in East Grand Forks and to work with business and industry within the Grand Forks area. He stated that we would have one meeting in Thief River Falls and one in East Grand Forks each year. That we valued and needed the committee’s input.

Tony asked where the program would be in 5 years. Norma spoke of expansion and that we had high bay area’s on the wing that auto body and auto service is in. Kent gave handouts from the strategic planning meeting and spoke about another section of first year if the demand is there.

Mark asked for a motion to approve the certificates as presented. Paul made the motion with Tony second. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned. Dinner was at the Blue Moose, East Grand Forks.

Respectively submitted,

Norm Halsa