

AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE TECHNOLOGY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Blue Moose Bar & Grill
November 13, 2014

Tony called the meeting to order at 5:10 PM.

Introductions were made.

Members present were: Tony Telken, Chair

Student members present were: Josh LaRue, Jordan Sambursky, Anthony Imbery, and Josh Dyrstad-Cincotta.

Faculty present: Mark A. Johnson, Kevin Ek, and Norman Halsa.

Administration present: Jim Retka, Dean of WF/ECON Dev.

Jim requested that Transportation Center of Excellence be added to the agenda.

A motion was made by Tony Telken to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Seconded, by Kevin.

Mark reported that there were no recommendations from the last meeting.

Mark reported that the Mac Scan Tool and VVT trainer was submitted in the equipment budget. Jim reported that the leveraged match had been met and that the Mac Scan Tool at priority one would be able to be purchased.

Mark reported that we started fall semester with 24 first year students and that currently 17 – 18 were still showing up. He also reported that

there are 7 second year students.

Mark reported there was a change of sequence of courses from one semester to another. There was also a schedule change to allow high school students to attend in the afternoon.

Mark reported that there was a 10% reduction in the supply budget for the year. He also spoke about the program suspensions and possible change in the autobody program.

Mark updated the committee on Norm's status and that Kevin was teaching his classes.

Mark reported that he had been at the Alerus recruiting 2 weeks ago and that he is scheduled December 4th for Fargo.

Mark reported that placement is 100%, and that if a student wants a job there is no problem finding one.

Mark handed out the comparison results from last years End of Program ASE tests. Results showed that the students were well above the national average. He stated that the current 2nd year students will take the tests this spring.

Mark reported that there were no safety issues since the last meeting.

Mark shared with the committee the college assessment of the Automotive Service Technology program.

Jim explained that employers need to return surveys to DEED, to determine need for employees. Survey results show job demands for the different regions in Minnesota.

Jim and Mark reported that the college is hosting high school students for 3 weeks in autobody, 3 weeks in auto service, 3 weeks in electronics and 3 weeks in welding next fall.

Suggestions were made for new members.

Meeting adjourned, 6:30pm.

Respectively submitted,

Norman Halsä