Northland Community and Technical College

Advisory Board Meeting

April 22, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Russ Penn at 3:38 PM.

Roll Call – Attending: Russ Penn, Bob Kvitne, Dan Boyce, Glenn Erickson, Tim Rehn, Curtis Peters, Wade Selvig, Rodney Cote, James Fisher – Absent Clair Zimhelt, Ed Krogfoss, Dan Edman, Norma Konschek, Hank Roehrich, Ron Rieger, Bob Wolf, Russ Lee.

The minutes of the October 7, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Rodney Cote made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Bob Kvitne. Minutes were approved as read.

Old Business

Updates of spring semester were given:

In East Grand Forks, Curt reported the project house will be finished. East Grand Forks started with 19 in 2nd year – may graduate 17 or 18.

First year started with 23, and have dropped to 20 students, and not sure if all will make grades to step on to 2nd year.

In Thief River Falls:

Dan Edman (sent report to the chair) states they will graduate 9 from 2nd year.

Wade has 12 in first year.

There are no planned curriculum changes for next year

There was no other old business.

New Business

The Thief River Falls program is still perusing a house project, such as the EGF's, house project. The EGF's project is sponsored by the Forks Builders Association, which then sells the finished product. TRF's does not have such an association to work with. Possibly working with a contractor, if one would be willing to wait for the building to be constructed during the semester. Also at issue would be liabilities and insurance. This has been a desire for several years in TRF's.

(Note from the Chair) The chair recognizes this desire and benefit for the students. A meeting should be arranged with the college representatives that would provide the guide lines for this venture. The chair will also seek some sources for a contractor or contractors which may wish to participate.

Review of the New NCTC Advisory Committee Policy was provided and reviewed.

General discussion:

Dan Edman's comments were passed out t the committee – Dan touched on seeking additional local members on the committee for TRF's, (if members know of anyone whom may be interested – contact the chair) – Dan also touched on the continuing new technologies as they develop such as solar, wind and bio, work on the basic concepts.

Dan Boyce stated that he had an article regard the new technologies that he would forward.

Wade Selvig has submitted for Lab Volt equipment for the TRF's campus.

The Air Port Campus for the electrical department may be moving to the main campus, since the college received award for training of the unmanned aerial systems.

Discussion about the new Lead abetment requirements.

The next board meeting is set for some time in October 2010 at Northland Community and Technical College in Thief River Falls, MN. Time and date to be determined.

This being the date for the annual Advisory committee dinner and the time being 6:00 PM – the meeting was adjourned and dinner was enjoyed by all.

Meeting minutes for April 22, 2010

Russ Penn

Chair