

Northland Community & Technical College

Electrical Advisory Committee Meeting

October 22, 2019

Called to Order 4:30 PM by Steve Wasvick

Roll Call: Present Steve Wasvick, (replacing Russ Penn) Rick Simon, Stan Kovarik, Anne Bryson
Absent: Jody Beauchamp, Russ Lee, Mark Lothspeich, Wayne Bergstrom, Jodi Stauss, Jeff Olson, Chris Eken

Old Business: Reviewed the meeting minutes from March 19, 2019. Motion to approve Rick Simon ,
Second Stan Kovarik.

Instructor report: Stan Kovarik 1st year class, semester 1. Has 22 students. Some new classes have been added to the schedule. HR, Safety, Theory, Blueprint reading, Services, Residential and Materials. Going well with good attendance. They have moved to mostly open book testing.

Instructor report: Rick Simon 2nd year class semester 1. Has 22 students that have come well prepared from Stan's 1st year class. They are wiring the Spec House this year and are excited for the opportunity. They are working on Code related issues, sizing services, motor controls. They are all doing their own take off on the spec house to see what differences they might bring to the project. Rick is coordinating with the final drawings.

Classroom Cap is 23 students.

New business: Discussion was held on how to replace or add members to the Advisory Committee. Steve will call Jody B. to see if he will remain on the committee, and Rhiannon @ BSE to see if they are interested in replacing Kevin Tran. Anne will call Russ Lee and Mark Lothspeich to see if they will remain on the committee. Jesse Sorum was nominated to join the committee. Anne will contact him to see if he will join the committee.

Steve brought feedback to the committee that he thinks the students from this program are not as well prepared as students from NCTC in Bemidji or Wahpeton. Discussion was held as to curriculum variances, time spent in class, labs. Stan and Rick both think that they work well together and are getting the materials to the students. Rick has been the 2nd year teacher for 1 full year now and seeing progress.

Steve told of how NCTC in Bemidji had access to matching grant money after Bergstrom & Wiebolt donated excess materials to the program. Is this available for the school in EGF?

Anne & Steve offered to donate excess items to the program, Rick to follow up with the school to see if there are matching fund available.

Other Offers were to have the students tour projects with area contractors, Steve volunteered Dave Lawson's expertise to make CAD drawings etc. for the spec house.

Next Board Meeting is set for March ___ of 2020 at NCTC, East Grand Forks. Date to be selected. Anne moved to adjourn the meeting second by Rick.