



HiTECC ADVISORY COMMITTEE -MINUTES

Friday, May 22nd, 2020 • 8:00am-9:30am

Zoom Online (Audio/Video)

Members Present: Abby Bacon, Dick Hannah VW (Committee Chair); Alex Bassett, Dick Hannah Honda; Ken Dent, Dick Hannah; Tom Gilstrap; Devin Henry, Dick Hannah; John Parthenay, Dick Hannah Honda; Jessica Pham; Cory Pierce, Dick Hannah VW;

Members Absent: Sean Fitzgerald (Vice Chair), Dick Hannah Chrysler; Brandon O’Lear, Dick Hannah Subaru; Gary Schuler, Dick Hannah Dealerships;

Clark College: Mike Godson, HiTECC Coordinator & Instructor; Tonia Haney, TTEN Coordinator & Instructor; Automotive Instructors – Dannie Nordsiden and Bob Maloney; Wende Fisher, Advising Services; Armetta Burney, Interim Dean of WPTE; Hernan Garzon, Automotive Recruiter; SueAnn McWatters, Program Specialist – Advisory Committees

Abby Bacon called the meeting to order at 8:04am and introductions were made.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of December 11th, 2020 were presented, Alex Bassett motioned to approved, seconded by Ken Dent, and was passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The committee will meet next on **Friday, May 21st, 2021 at 8:00am via Zoom Online.**

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

John Parthenay motioned to have Abby Bacon as chair and Ken Dent as vice chair. This was seconded by Alex Bassett and was unanimously approved.

OFFICE OF INSTRUCTION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Armetta Burney made the following announcements:

The college made a decision to continue in remote instruction through winter and spring term. There is an exception for CTE programs as they continue with face-to-face for labs. This includes Automotive, Welding, Diesel, Baking, Cuisine, etc.

The college is still going through a budget shortfall. We are expecting a \$2.2 million shortfall as well as the legislation cutting state allocation.

We achieved 87% of our fall FTE enrollment target. And 78% for winter.

REPORT ON ASEEF SITE VISIT

Tonia Haney spoke on having the site visit recently on the 18th and 19th. It went very smooth; a few small issues that can easily be fixed. The HiTECC program will be an ASE Education Foundation accredited program very soon.

CAREER LAUNCH GRANT

Tonia Haney explained how a grant was awarded to the automotive programs. They were given about a half million dollars for equipment with \$250k earmarked specifically for the HiTECC and Honda PACT programs. They were also awarded about \$80k for the development of new curriculum. They have been able to purchase:

- New alignment rack
- 2 new alignment machines
- Couple new R1234 AC machines
- On car lathes

VEHICLE PURCHASE ASSISTANCE REQUEST

She also spoke on creating an Electrical III course specifically for the PACT and HiTECC program. They will be submitting the outcomes of the class to the college committees over the course of the next several months. It will be heavily focused on hybrid and battery electrical vehicle technology as well as the A-dot systems.

Tonia Haney requested hybrid vehicles from the managers and dealerships. They do have money to purchase vehicles, but they are looking for some assistance in getting some off lease or demo vehicles of the newer technology. Alex Bassett suggested reaching out to the coordinator of the PACT program. Abby Bacon spoke on using a normal laptop in the shop and then load the software from Volkswagen and use a Bluetooth dongle to communicate. It has cut the cost way down in purchasing. Ken Dent does the pods and the laptops.

INTERNSHIP UPDATES

Dannie Nordsiden stated that internships were a challenge this year. The program will run internships over the summer. Students seem to be in good shape.

RECRUITMENT UPDATES AND GOALS

Hernan Garzon has continued to do virtual recruiting presentations to automotive high schools He has performed at five high schools and is working on another 8 more. He has a presentation scheduled for January 11th and 12th. He would love some participation from the service managers or lead technicians to speak for about five minutes. Contact Hernan if you are available. There are many students that are concerned about finding jobs as they graduate. Automotive is an essential businesses and based on each dealer's website, there are jobs available. He has plenty of candidates ready for interview. He has collected about 80 leads from all of the high school presentations. He has been holding off on the job shadows because of the holidays and COVID restrictions. There will be more communication about job shadows beginning in January. Abby Bacon volunteered to be a part of the presentations for the high schools.

CASCADIA MOU

Tonia Haney spoke on a partnership with Cascadia Academy. They are trying to do an MOU where they offer the two year Cascadia students some credits if they participate in the program. Over the course of their first year, they will get 9 credits paid for free.

BRIDGE PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Mike Godson discussed the idea of potentially having a bridge course to bridge students in from high school or other areas right into the auto program. There is a pretty high attrition rate particularly when they are trying to get them placed and adapting to what's required in the college environment. This falls directly in line with the college's effort of Guided Pathways.

It would be a 10 day class, 2-3 credits generally in the summer leading up to the start of fall quarter. In the introductory courses, the program spends a lot of time on basic PC skills getting students all of their user names and passwords, accessing different curriculum pieces, etc. Making certain students have basic communication and computational skills. Preparing them for auto shop safety. They would also learn about College 101. This includes where students can learn and get resources in the college and apply them for their benefit. The program wants to make sure that these students have what they need to succeed in the college and automotive environment.

John Parthenay motioned to create the Automotive Bridge Program for students coming from high schools or other areas into college. Alex Bassett seconded and was unanimously approved.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE AND DELIVERY MODALITY

Mike Godson reiterated that the program is in remote operations through spring. That means that there will be online classroom delivery with in person labs. The basic schedule is first year students come in Wednesday-Friday and second year students come in Monday-Wednesday.

Abby Bacon hasn't had any issues with scheduling. They have been able to be pretty flexible.

DEVELOPMENT OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES COURSE

Brian Tracy and Bob Maloney are beginning the outcomes and objectives. Tabled to next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39am.

Prepared by SueAnn McWatters