Imperial Valley College

Automotive Technology Program
Local Program Advisory Committee

ADOPTED MINUTES

Thursday, April 26, 2012

BUSINESS/INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES

Carlos Araiza, Gonzo Machine Shop	Jose Perez, J& D Auto Repair
Marco Aranda, O'Reilly Auto Parts	Miguel Perez, Rogers and Rogers Toyota
Taylor Coldwell, Rogers & Rogers Toyota	John Rahiotis, Car Quest Auto Parts
Daniel Lamas, D & L Automotive	Arturo Rodriguez, O'Reilly's Auto Parts
Alex Moralez, Schaeffer's Specialized Lubricant	Juan C. Trujillo, O'Reilly's Auto Parts
Jeff Watts, O'Reilly's Auto Parts	

IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES

Frances Arce-Gomez, Staff Secretary (Recorder)	Jose Plascencia, Counselor
Jose Lopez, ITEC Department Chair	Ricardo Pradis, Automotive Technology Instructor
Joe Espinoza, Student Employment Specialist	Patricia Robles, Administrative Secretary
David Martinez, Adjunct Instructor	Nancy Sanchez, Tool Room Technician

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY ALEX MORALEZ AT 11:55 AM.

II. WELCOME
All in attendance were welcomed by Alex Moralez.

III . INTRODUCTIONS
Alex Moralez introduced himself and gave a brief history of the Automotive Advisory Committee. He stated that in the past the committee was very active and accomplished the following:

- Had a strong committee with up 52 members
- Attended board meetings when VATEA monies were going to other departments
- Bought a lot of materials
- Upgraded shop equipment

All committee members introduced themselves.

IV. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 8, 2011 MINUTES
M/S/C Miguel Perez/John Rahiotis to approve minutes as submitted.

V. DIESEL TECHNOLOGY CERTIFICATE

Carlos Araiza is currently in the process of creating a Diesel Technology Certificate. He has written a first draft and wanted some feedback from the committee. They discussed the following:

- There is a high demand for diesel courses
- There are good employment opportunities in the diesel field
- Some industry employees are retiring and companies are in need of new employees
- Some diesel students have parents who are farmers
- Some companies are offering to take student volunteers
- The diesel program will increase enrollment
- There is a big demand for qualified mechanics
- There is a shortage of diesel mechanics
- Diesel trucks will need to be equipped with catalytic converters
- Old semi trucks will not be accepted in California

Mr. Araiza also asked the committee if it was a good idea to create a Diesel Technology Certificate.

M/S/C Greg Stevenson/Juan C. Trujillo to have Carlos Araiza create a Diesel Technology Certificate.

VI. WIA PROGRAM SMOG TECHNICIAN

Jose Lopez informed the committee that the WIA Smog Technician classes are currently in progress. The following was discussed:

- The students participating in the WIA Smog Program will earn 17 units of credits
- The students participating the WIA Smog Program have to complete 522 hrs of internship training
- The internship training hours will be completed by October 2012
- One smog machine was purchased with WIA funds

VII. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF 2012-2013 PERKINS REQUESTS ($22,100)

M/S/C Miguel Perez/Arturo Rodriguez to approve Perkins funds be used to fund the following requests:

- Professional Development $4,000
- Student Fieldtrips $ 2,000
- Projectors $3,600
- Equipment, Testers, and Tools $10,000
- Media $2,500

VIII. AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM STATUS (NATEF)

The automotive faculty reported the following:

- The deficiencies in the NATEF report were addressed
- Each semester the automotive class schedule is flexible
- Courses are taught in the day, evening, and on weekends

IX. GOOD OF THE ORDER

The Automotive Service Excellence testing was discussed. The Automotive Program is no longer hosting the ASE testing. Due to the requirements being changed there is currently no space available for testing.

Daniel Llamas stated that electrical knowledge is needed for all automotive equipment.

Jose Plascencia informed the committee that Cal Grants for vocational educational students are available.
Mr. Plascencia also stated that Cal Grant C is for vocational educational students.

Ricardo Pradis thanked the committee for taking the time to attend the meeting.

X. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be scheduled for fall 2012

X. THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY ALEX MORALEZ AT 12:50 PM