

Department: KVCC Automotive Technology

Event: Automotive Advisory Committee Minutes

When: Thursday, November 7, 2013

Where: Room 5740 – 6 p.m.

Members in attendance

Mark Gernsbeck (Transmission Clinic), Halli Borgfjord (Halli's Auto Care), Steve Kirk (Kendall Auto), Ryan Hawkins (Getman / Alumnus), Matt McClung (Complete Car Care / Alumnus), Rich Beery (Allan's Millwood Service), Brian Murray (DeNooyer Chevrolet /PT Inst), Doug Martin (AUTO), Ron Hofman (AUTO), Charlie Fuller (AUTO), Larry Taylor (AUTO), Allen Bernstein, Jerry Lentz, Tom Buszek (Dean of Business and Industrial Trades)

Approval of Agenda and minutes

The minutes of the November 28th, 2012 meeting were approved with the correction of the spelling of Kendall Auto. The agenda of the November 7th 2013 meeting was approved as presented.

Discussion and Action Items

- Tom Buszek, Dean of Business and Industrial Trades, was introduced and a brief bio was given.
- **New Program Offerings**
 - All recommendations from the Advisory Committee are being implemented effective Winter 2014 semester.
 - Gen Ed requirements have been reduced to 9 credit hours for AAS degrees. The Gen Ed classes serve as pre-reqs for the AUTO classes to insure they are taken and graduation requirements are met. The Automotive program is the first program to reduce Gen Ed requirements.
 - Passed out a hand out showing the new AAS degrees requirements. With the addition of six additional courses, students can receive two AAS degrees, with a total of 81 credit hours.
 - COAs are back.
 - Passed out a copy of the Winter 2014 AUTO schedule. Classes are offered with no overlap for ease of scheduling for the students.
- **Curriculum Update**
 - Diesel classes have been added. Focuses on driveability, fuel injection, computer systems, and diagnosis. Committee members were asked what diesels they saw coming in to their shops so KVCC could purchase what is common in the area. Either a Ford or Dodge pickup was the general thought. There was discussion of the smaller 4 cylinder diesels that are becoming more popular.
 - Hybrid class has been added. Focuses on technician and safety.
- **NATEF re-certification**
 - The re-certification process is ahead of schedule. The hope is that the paperwork will be done in January 2014, with the on site visit in March 2014. A hand out on the Advisory Committee Functions was distributed and discussed. Five committee members are needed to take part in self evaluations for the

re-certification. Matt McClung, Mark Gernsback and Steve Kirk volunteered to take part. Doug will send out information by e-mail to the three volunteers and asking other members to volunteer.

- **Perkins funding update**

- Tom Buszek gave a brief history and explanation of what Perkins funding is and why it's so important for the Community College. We purchase a lot of the equipment for the technical areas and accommodate students with special needs with Perkins funds. Perkins requires Advisory Committees for all technical programs. Tom thanked the committee members for their contribution to KVCC's Automotive Program.

- **48 Chevy update**

- Doug updated the committee on the progress of the 48 Chevy project. Natural gas has been scratched, switched to E85. It's been mostly re-painted, plumbed, interior work is almost done, bed done. They hope to have it finished by spring or summer of 2014. Doug showed some slides of the work.

- **Further Buisness**

- Committee members were invited to tour 5530 lab to see students working.

- **Next Meeting**

- No date was announced for the next meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7 pm.