

Present: Matt Alves, Dave Campbell, Dave Felician, Mary Gustas, Luke Kujacznski, Russell Lauderdale, Becky Lussier-Tardy, Shawn Premer, Beth Washington,

Guests: Dr. Andy Kline on behalf of Houssam Toutanji

Absent: Steve Beebe, Scott Headley, Ron Plaisier, Carla Sones, Houssam Toutanji, Ann Woolley

KVCC: Craig Jbara, Vic Ledbetter, Lizzie Luchsinger, Kate Miller, Kara Protz-Sanders, Tom Sutton

1. Acceptance of Agenda
 - a. The agenda was accepted as written.
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. The Minutes of the October 05, 2018 meeting were approved as written.
3. Presentation
 - a. Lizzie Luchsinger provided an overview of a rapidly growing area nationwide: Lifestyle Medicine. In her presentation, Lizzie explained the strategic direction for this training, current initiatives as well as priorities moving forward. This subject content has already been the foundation for collaboration with WMed, West Michigan Cancer Center, KCMHSAS and Bronson. It is a key component in helping us achieve our objective to improve community well-being through a "Food as Medicine" approach.
4. Brief Program Updates
 - a. Kate Miller presented the following Career and Continuing Education updates:
 - i. Support for the Going Pro Talent Fund has ramped up since awardees have been announced. We expect a full schedule of training programs to be conducted over the next few months.
 - ii. The 2019 Winter-Spring catalog for Career and Continuing Education has been distributed ... copies are available upon request
 - iii. During the week of January 16, we hosted students from Comstock Compass High School for our Electrical Safety class as a pilot program
 - iv. After final internal review of offerings, we will launch programs created through a partnership with Ed2Go ... an online training platform
 - v. We have a new leadership class called Leadership Beyond the Front Line: Engaging Others which is an extension to our existing leadership course
 - vi. FANUC training was successfully offered with very positive feedback
 - vii. Our HR Certification Exam Preparation class will be starting in a couple weeks with large participation from HR professionals
 - viii. We had considered running a Reboot Your Career program that has now been transitioned to Tracey Quada for follow-up activity
 - ix. New courses have been added to our community classes such as a series called Stop Over Complicating It which features a different life obstacle



- x. Our January Continuing Ed classes through April feature EMT & Paramedic refresher courses and American Heart Association Basic Life Support
 - xi. We have found an instructor for the Patient Care Academy who is currently getting re-certified
- b. Tom Sutton discussed the following Technical Training Services items:
- i. The 19th Wind Turbine Technician Academy has started
 - ii. Mechatronics and CNC training are still in high demand
 - iii. Technical Training Services has continued their support of the Corporate Training Department in regards to Robotics and Electrical courses
 - iv. Ben Ash provided instruction for the current MAT2 program and the recently completed CNC Momentum Academy
 - v. We are once again sponsoring the Mattawan Robotics team ... now underway
 - vi. Telecomm Work at Heights training is in high demand ... we are continuing our posting for an instructor to meet this demand
 - vii. Ongoing Projects:
 - We are in the process of developing a "Fire Systems Tech Academy" (working title)
 - National Elevator Installers & Preparers Academy still in progress
 - In talks with wind companies and a major utility supplier for renting facilities and customized training for their employees
 - 3D image map for KVCC Museum is ongoing
 - Still in talks with City of Kalamazoo about providing a Water Reclamation Department Third Party Assessment customized training
- c. Victor Ledbetter reported the following Law Enforcement Training Center updates:
- i. January 28, 2019 was the first day of the 87th Police Academy
 - 18 cadets are moving forward in the academy
 - Groundbreaking and Relevant training has been added to the curriculum: Autism Awareness, de-escalation training, sex trafficking prevention for Kalamazoo County, working with the Black and Blue Enterprise to build report between cadets and community, requiring basic Spanish for police, LGBTQ awareness with a focus on the transgender community, PTSD & suicide awareness, RedMan training, implicit bias training
 - ii. 88th Academy is scheduled for August 2019
 - iii. The next Corrections Academy is starting in February with the subsequent one already planned for October 2019
5. Craig Jbara reported the following on behalf of Rachel Bair and the Food Innovations Center:
- a. The Food Hub Management Academy is scheduled to begin in March 2019
 - b. The Community Farms initiative will feature entrepreneurship opportunities to start a business through building and operating a sustainable hoop house business

6. General Discussion

- a. Discussion of high school students utilizing the Groves programs
 - i. Bus hub/transportation is a hindrance
 - ii. Opportunities do not exist for at-risk high school students
- b. Discussion of math requirements in high school and how they align with industry skill need
- c. Health needs assessment: unemployment rate is 3.7% which looks great but 50% of those employed are living below the poverty line. Most are working 3 jobs to keep things going.
- d. Discussion of the need for training people to be mentors for the younger generation
- e. Discussion of on-demand learning to bridge the gap between interest and action

Next Meeting: Friday April 5, 2019, 7:30 – 9:00 a.m.
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