

Present: Steve Beebe, Dave Campbell, Claire Eager, Mary Gustas, Scott Headley, Becky Lussier-Tardy, Ron Plaisier, Beth Washington, Ann Wolley

Absent: Matt Alves, Houssam Toutanji, Marilyn Schlack

KVCC: Tom Buszek, Craig Jbara, Elizabeth Lyons, Dean McCurdy, Ian Salo, Patricia Schroeder, Darcy Soule

1. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

- a. The agenda was accepted as written.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. The minutes of the July 8, 2016 meeting were approved as written.

3. MEMBERSHIP

- a. New member nominations
 - i. Shawn Premer – Consumers Credit Union
 - ii. Luke Kujacznski – Urban Alliance
 - iii. Leslie Reames – American Axle

4. PROGRAM UPDATES

- a. Elizabeth Lyons presented Career Academies and Continuing Education updates
 - i. *Police Academy* – 31 Cadets are currently in the academy. Graduation will be November 22, 2016 at KVCC (Main Campus) Dale B Lake Auditorium
 - ii. *Wind Turbine Technician* – The 14th academy is under way with 12 students. They begin their service trips the week of October 10 to complete their in the field experience part of the academy. The 15th Academy that will run in January of 2017 has accepted 2 students and still has 10 applicants in process.
 - iii. *Patient Care* – Since June 2016 we have ran 3 academies. The current class has 10 students and will graduate October 20, 2016.
 - iv. *Production Technician* – KVCC Groves plans to partner with Urban Alliance/Momentum once again to run this academy on November 17th.
 - v. *Corrections Academy* – 31 students, 5 are pre-service and 26 are hired by agencies to come through the academy.
 - vi. *CNC Operator* – KVCC Groves will partner with Urban Alliance/Momentum to put student through a pilot program of this academy starting on November 14th. Graduation for the two Momentum programs will take place at the Groves on Thursday, December 15th, from 6-7:30 P.M.
 - vii. *Phlebotomy Academy* – Starts January 17 for 10 weeks of classroom and clinicals. The pilot will be capped at six students. This academy is reflects a strong partnership with Bronson.
 - viii. *Life Enrichment* – Working on creating noncredit programs for physical fitness, and more beekeeping classes. Look for “Fitness Center Basics,” to launch in January. This class provides access to KVCC’s wellness and fitness center for the winter semester for \$75. Enrollees will have access to weekly instruction on the features of all equipment.

- b. Patricia Schroeder reported the following corporate training activities:
 - i. September and October have been focused on meeting employers training needs for the Skilled Trades Training Grant Application
 - ii. Maintenance Technician Series is one of the strongest demands for the STTF Grant
 - iii. Quality & Engineering programs are also up in demand
 - iv. Companies are returning to basic Mig and Tig welding
 - v. Wenke Greenhouse and Kalamazoo Outdoor Gourmet are new corporate training customers
- c. Ian Salo gave technical service updates
 - i. We are nearing the completion of creating competencies for our CNC Operator Academy
 - ii. The new Cad Cam lab is being used by the Mattawan First Robotics team
 - iii. Ian Salo is completely certified to offer what the Fanuc headquarters offers at the KVCC Groves Campus
 - iv. The issue we have been having with the Fanuc 5 Axis machines has been fixed
 - v. Ian Salo and Josh O'Keefe are headed to the Portage Science fair on October 20 to do a demonstration of our robots
 - vi. We are working with a local company to create a 5'x8' replica of their new building expansion on our 3D printer
- d. Craig Jbara provided an update on the University Center
 - i. Davenport is in their 3rd term of its university center partnership
 - ii. Siena Heights will start their 1st term of students in the university center beginning in January 2017
 - iii. Interest from Columbia College of Chicago has been received
- e. Dean McCurdy provided an update on the Bronson Healthy Living Campus
 - i. Currently have 4 degree programs, 1 certificate, and 1 certificate of achievement
 - ii. Havermill Café is now open Monday – Friday from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 - iii. Currently working on an articulation with high school culinary programs for Calhoun, Kalamazoo, VanBuren, and Allegan counties
 - iv. The brewery is up and running will have IPA's brewing next week
 - v. The Governor will be coming to tour the new campus this month.
 - vi. The brewing program will have its first graduates in December.
- f. Roundtable
 - i. Ann Woolley has moved to National Flavors from Dimplex Thermal Solutions
 - ii. Invite someone to the January meeting from the STTF Grant selection committee to talk about latest trends in West Michigan
 - iii. A discussion was had that suggests an increased need for employees to receive soft skills training; additionally, employers would benefit from training so as to be more inclusive of diverse populations.
 - iv. For the January meeting – Bring demographics for technical service academies and corporate training
 - v. The Groves should have an articulation with local high schools

Next Meeting - Friday, January 13, 2016 - 7:30am
Kalamazoo Valley Groves