

Welding Advisory Committee Minutes

April 5, 2024

Members Present: Ken Wilcutt, John Nieboer, Andrew Ryan, Ryan Gaul, Joel Schmidt, Erick Martin, Ryan Lehman, Stan Brown

Motion to approve fall minutes Nieboer, Second Ryan minutes accepted.

Welldcome: New member Ryan Lehman – United Brotherhood of Sheet Metal Workers #7.

Martin- Reviewed employment data, Perkins data – Very small sampling of returns, not reflective of program outcomes.

Schmidt- Reviewed new welding course offerings

Basic courses Weld 151, 152 ,153,154 in MIG/Flux cored, Shielded Metal Arc, Blueprint reading renumbered and increases by 1 contact hour for more laboratory time.

Advanced courses 201,202,203 renamed to 201- Advanced GMAW/FCAW, 202 Advanced GTAW, 203 – Welding Automation.

Motion to approve course structure Gaul, Second Nieboer, approved

Schmidt – Reviewed new degree structure:

New degrees:

- a. 151+201+154 = COA GMAW/FCAW 10 credits.
- b. 152+202+154 = COA GTAW 10 credits
- c. 153-203+154 = COA SMAW 9 credits
- d. Certificate degree between 31-38 credits with electives.

Motion to approve Wilcutt, Second Brown , Accepted

General discussion of Tech wing building project – Unanimous approval/support from committee.

Martin – Confirmed retirement for December 2024.

Meeting adjourned.