

**Polaris Career Center
Advisory Council Minutes, High School and Satellite
Fall Meeting – October 11, 2016
Program: Automotive Technology (Yuravak)**

Council leaders present

1. Bob Yuravak
2. Bob Gillingham

Members in attendance:

1. Bryan Deitrick
2. Chris Mertz
3. Kitty McCarthy
4. Mitchell Mincey
5. Dennis Rose
6. Bob Stout
7. Ray Thomas

Members Absent

1. Rusty Gold
2. Joe Keene
3. Ted Schafer
4. Ed Stein
5. Matthew Wilber
6. Beti Yoder

Welcome and introductions

Meeting started at 6:30

Discussed certifying students, webxams and our goal of getting students ready for ASE certifications

Review spring advisory council meeting minutes

Last meeting, Mr. Yuravak explained that student ASE certifications are not considered as approved credentials by the Ohio Department of Education. Follow up to this, it was reported that just last month Ohio now recognizes the certification.

Review purpose and scope of advisory councils:

Stated the committee could use more members due to some previous members moving on

Polaris Mission Statement

“Inspiring students to achieve career success” Members received a copy in their folder.

Program Review

Taking pre-tests three weeks into teaching doesn't set an accurate growth rate for when the post-test is taken.

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The advisory members were informed that WEBXAMis now being used as a Pretest and Post-test to measure student growth.

The committee was updated on student ASE certification – these are now accepted as an industry recognized credential by the department of education.

Program Data Discussion

Students receiving ASE certifications show our dealers and other employment areas that they have two years of experience including hands on experience.

Discussion about downsizing to one automotive class: Looking at growth from schools & hoping to get more motivated students with only 25 openings instead of 48-50.

When dealerships ask for students, usually students are dedicated to colleges or certain dealerships and employers generally do not want to fill out the paperwork for only two months of employment before they go off to college.

Equipment Needs and Recommendations

All scanners need to be updated and will be moving in that direction after November.

Followed recommendation to get a Genesis scanner

Additional program specific agenda items:

Every student gets equal opportunity at employment as Mr. Yuravak sees fit, and grades are reasonable.

Sophomore visitations are Oct 24th, 25th, and 26th

Council member feedback, questions and comments.

Council members ask if there are drug tests for programs – There are for some programs, not automotive.

Council members think that since dealerships and colleges **will** drug test at the beginning of employment students should be drug tested prior to enrollment of all automotive students to prevent setting students up for failure later.

Date of Spring Meeting to be determined no later than May 12, 2017.