

**Polaris Career Center
Advisory Council Minutes, High School and Satellite
Fall Meeting – October 11, 2016
Program: High School Cosmetology**

Council leaders present

1. Wanda Pennington
2. Ramona Hasan
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Members in attendance:

1. Sara Angela Boytim
2. Denise Buchko
3. Sandy DeLong
4. Bailey Hunter
5. Debbie Turnbow
6. Mackenzie Watts

Members Absent

1. Stephany Buchko
2. Damon Jaskolka
3. Cassandra Lehkey

Welcome and introductions: Introduced new members and everyone shared their cosmetology connection.

Review spring advisory council meeting minutes: Reviewed.

Review purpose and scope of advisory councils: other Reviewed the purpose of the advisory council and explored ways that we are able to support each. We asked members to recommend potential new members and are particularly interested in someone who is a leader in any of the communities we serve. We have added two former students to the council who add a different perspective.

Polaris Mission Statement – We reviewed and discussed the mission statement.

Program Review – We discussed the change to hours; how it's working for us and the challenges of reaching those hours. The change to courses and web exams were also discussed and explained. Our newer members had very little knowledge of any of these changes. Changes at the State Board level that affect both the salons and schools were discussed. Most members were surprised that we don't have smart boards and computers, and that we no longer teach

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acrylic nail application (although there was agreement that fewer salons and spas offer them).

Program Data Discussion – We discussed enrollment which is high for our program...2 full classes and a large wait list. We also both have large senior classes in spite of having many students who do not want to do this as a career. We each shared our employment figures. Ms. Hasan and I were both able to say that 100% of our students who went to State Board passed.

Equipment Needs and Recommendations: Smart Boards and computers. Updating of both labs and dispensary. It is understood that any major updating depends on passage of the levy.

Additional program specific agenda items:

We have chosen dates for each member to do a presentation in areas that they feel comfortable presenting. These include: an updo class, men's haircut class, professionalism class, how to sell retail, and makeup application.

We have several people committed to judge the Skills competition.

We have some members who are willing to be involved in mock interviews.

Members who have shown an interest in mock interviewing and judging the skills competition will check their schedules and ask their staff about availability also.

The spring meeting date has not been determined. We will contact members about this but generally schedule in February because salons tend to be less busy in that month.

Council member feedback, questions and comments.

Spring meeting will be held at a time determined by each individual council leader but no later than May 12, 2017.