

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

**Council leaders present**

1. Tony Sambunjak

**Members in attendance:**

1. Mike Becker
2. Dave Bredenbeck
3. Frank Chesek
4. Ron Gunter
5. Fritz Hoffmann Jr.
6. Jason Wolf

**Members Absent**

1. Tim Andrews
2. Don Daniels
3. Megan Sanok

**Welcome and introductions**

Council were updated on new member Megan Sanok who could not attend do to classes at Akron University. Megan is a former student from the class of 2015-16 who has worked at Criterion Tool and is pursuing an engineering degree.

**Review spring advisory council meeting minutes**

Membership reviewed information presented at the last meeting. Areas discussed included WebXam, new equipment needs, and transitioning to courses.

**Review purpose and scope of advisory councils:**

Member were reminded of ways to contribute and support the program. Membership was also asked to seek qualified additions to our council and get the information on prospective council candidates back to council leader, Tony Sambunjak

**Polaris Mission Statement**

Council was pleased with the new mission and values statement. Many felt it was more representative of the vision of the program and the council as well.

**Program Review**

The group discussed the need of a viable certification and credentials program for the program and were asked to investigate any further viable certifications that would benefit our students to attain.

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**Program Data Discussion**

Membership was pleased with current numbers of class size and had concerns about the possibility of students in the junior class not having sufficient machine and instructor time due to the high class number of 22 students. It was suggested that an aide with a machining background be looked into to help support the students.

Information regarding class of 2015-2016 employment and education plans was presented. Students in the program planned on continuing education at Tri-C, various apprenticeship programs and Akron University. Student work sites included: Swagelok, Criterion Tool, Metal Marker Inc., Superior Roll Form, Exact Tool and Die, HMF Racing and Bearings Inc.

**Equipment Needs and Recommendations**

Members expressed need for conventional machine tools including milling machines, lathes, drill presses and surface grinders. CNC machine tool needs were also a concern with council suggestions to invest in an additional machining and turning center and retrofit the current outdated machining center to accept USB technology instead of the antiquated floppy drive it currently has.

**Additional program specific agenda items:**

Members were updated with the RoboBot program students were involved with and plans for this year.

**Council member feedback, questions and comments.**

Council members offered to provide shadowing opportunities during Career Exploration Days for seniors. (Custom Speed Parts, Exact Tool and Die, Lunar Tool and Mold)

Members planned on providing guest speaker appearances. (Jason Wolf)

Dave Bredenbeck offered to assist with Parent's Night/ Open House

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

*To be determined after membership is presented with minutes.*