

Owens Community College

Manufacturing Technology – Welding Advisory Meeting

Date: March 2, 2007

Location: The Toledo Zoo, Toledo, Ohio

Industrial Attendees: Gary Beale, Larry Blake, Tony McKinnon, Aaron Oyster, Mark Scalise, Tom Slandzicki, Dick West, Bob Woda

Student Attendees: Crystal Beckvold

Owens Attendees: Mark Durivage, James Gilmore, Terry Katschke, Greg Morgan, Charles Stewart, Bob Williams; Advisor-Stan Paige

Topic	Discussion/Rationale	Recommendation/Decision/Action
Call to Order and Review of Previous Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Meeting was called to order at 8:25 a.m. by Chairman Dick West. ▪ Advisory members and faculty were all thanked for all their hard work this year. The program is having a great year with top notch students. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Minutes were distributed, read and approved with one correction--Dick West was present at the previous meeting and his name will be added to the industrial attendees. ▪ Minutes are posted on the Owens web site at www.Owens.edu, under Academic Programs, School of Technology, Programs, Welding Technology, Advisory Committee, Minutes
Enrollment and Retention Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Welding program enrollment increased 17 students for a total of 94 students as compared to last spring. ▪ There was no change in enrollment in the mini certificates. Although the numbers aren't showing it, there are 3-5 students completing each of these certificates every semester. These students aren't declaring it. ▪ The regular Welding certificate enrollment was up 22 students for a total of 45 students. ▪ Welding courses are required and listed as electives in other technology programs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Another section of Artistic Welding was added this semester. There are three sections running on the weekends. ▪ An Auto Body Welding section is also running each semester. ▪ There are 30 Welding class sections running this semester.
Faculty Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bob Woda reported that Welding graduate and former lab technician, Mason Hagemeyer, is working for the Pipefitters. The Pipefitter Coordinator told Bob that if we could send him more like Mason, he'd take all we have. ▪ Greg Morgan reported that the drawing classes are going well. The majority of the students in these classes are Welding majors, but he also has a few Business majors as well. Dick West and Larry Blake did a TIG demonstration that went very well. ▪ Larry Blake stated he likes teaching. This is the first time he has had to deal with a deaf student in class. It is somewhat of a challenge working through a third party. Student Crystal Beckvold has been wonderful in helping this student while Larry is busy with the others in the class. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Greg Morgan attended a hexavalent chromium seminar at OE Meyer. ▪ Students are encouraged to wear masks, along with safety glasses and hearing protection to promote good safety habits.

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Student Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Student Crystal Beckvold reported that classes are going well. She is a Welding student worker and has been working with Larry Blake in his class. She finished the Auto Body Certificate and then started the Welding program. She received her I-CAR certification last spring. She was the I-CAR 2007 Most Influential Woman in the Collision Repair Industry. Crystal received a scholarship the Lincoln Motorsport Welding School and will attend during spring break. 	
Outcomes Assessment Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Advisory members were given a copy of the Manufacturing Technologies Welding program Outcomes Assessment Report. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Advisory members were asked to review the Outcomes Assessment Report and contact Jim with any questions they may have.
Outcomes Competency Validation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Data was collected and reported to advisory committee. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The committee agreed with competencies. ▪ The report was accepted by the committee.
Program and Curriculum Enhancements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A copy of the Manufacturing Technologies Welding Program Operational Plan was distributed to members. This report summaries and justifies everything that is done within the program. ▪ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Advisory members were asked to review the Operational Plan and contact Jim with any questions they may have. ▪ A <u>tentative</u> Course Cross Reference Chart for Lincoln Electric and Owens courses was distributed to members. Students are now getting credit for Lincoln Electric courses that can be applied toward a associate degree. ▪ There is a possibility of turning the Welding modules used in Findlay into mini courses. ▪ Two courses, Advanced TIG and Advanced GMAW have been re-introduced. These courses may be offered once a year to see if there is a demand for them.
Equipment, Facilities, and Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Air quality and ventilation in the lab was discussed, again. Even though air quality in the lab meets state standards, Greg Morgan feels an exhaust fan is needed over the back exit door. ▪ Charlie Stewart feels that flexible arms with canvass material would be better than the hoods now used for venting. The arms would allow the student to move them wherever they are needed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Greg Morgan will continue to explore ways to get exhaust tubes more flexible for students. ▪ Charlie Stewart stated that plasma dust is one of the worst environments in the Welding industry and warned everyone to take the proper precautions.

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Accreditation Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ According to the PREP, each program should have at least 15 graduates per year or funding for that program may be in jeopardy. Jim Gilmore found that the data provided for reporting was inaccurate. He is working with the College Registrar to get things reported in the appropriate places. Jim is not overly concerned about this because there should be at least 15 graduates among all the majors under Manufacturing Technology of which Welding is just one major.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The program continues to maintain NAIT and HLC accreditation.
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The Lincoln Motorsports event will be held on April 5, 2007. This will be Dennis Klingman's last year to be the guest speaker because he is retiring. It was suggested to present him with a plaque.▪ Jim Gilmore distributed 8.5 x 11 Lincoln Motorsports event flyers to those who wanted them. Due to a problem with the printer, the larger posters will not be available until next week.▪ Enrollment Services will have an advisor staff a table and hand out gift bags full of "goodies" for the Motorsports event. They will also contribute T-Shirts for the raffle.▪ Tracy Campbell, Chair of Transportation Technologies, and his staff are also working hard to make this a great event. He is hoping the weather cooperates so some of it can take place outside.▪ The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The Owens Welding program will be advertised in the Welding Journal. The Lincoln Motorsports event was published in the latest issue.▪ Dean Durivage suggested submitting an article to the Welding Journal on the Girl Scout Welding demonstrations.