



ESSEX NORTH SHORE

AGRICULTURAL & TECHNICAL SCHOOL

Fall 2020 Program Advisory Committee minutes

Program: Advanced Manufacturing

Date:10/22/20

Members Present: Paul Moskovitch, John McCauley, Brian Norris

Instructors: Bevan Weissman, Giovanni Centolo, John Frazier

Facilitator: John Frazier

Committee Chairperson: Bill Marnik

Students: Jack Dononvan

Chairperson Bill Marnik opened the meeting @ 6:00P.M.

Subject: New Business

Discussion: Instructors discussed the organization of the shop tooling and workstations and improvements and shared new improvements, and continuing innovations for the future of the shop as a whole including:

Shop Safety,5-S shadow boards, The proposal of Power draw bars for the existing milling machines, The new introduction to the Blaser Synergy coolant changeover from existing coolant that is lacking,& the new prototrak lathes and the progress in training on them.Additional Machinery for the Shop and robotics.

Subject: Necessary Equipment.

Discussion: Instructors spoke of what the program equipment needs are,

Lack of a Vertical bandsaw, The need for surface grinders, additional improvements and that Bonnie carr had been doing a tremendous job implementing and supporting the programs and instructors and renovations along with supplying equipment and Acquiring funding for the program. Advisory Board made a strong recommendation to request and acquire a Industrial grade Vertical Bandsaw for the shop future. Surface grinders were on the agenda for new equipment slated to be acquired.

Subject: Current student enrollment and diversity

Discussion: Student enrollment size and the additional female student rise as well as the addition of the after dark students and diversity enrollment and their success.

Subject: Covid risks, Remote Learning and best practices

Discussion: The obstacles facing instructors currently and overall moral, safety protocols in place and the trust that it instills for students and faculty. The difficulties and the successes in spite of the circumstances.

Subject: Nighthawks Program

Discussion: New Curriculum Format and success and implementation along with New trends in The Trade & Occupational Arena,

Subject: Co-op numbers and placements

Discussion: Due to Covid Co-op numbers and opportunities have been temporarily declining with hopes of rejuvenating the Co-op once the numbers and industry standards for safety with Covid improves.

Subject: Student Jack Donovan introduction

Discussion: Jack Donovan expressed his perspective as a student in the program and answered questions from members and listened to their perspectives as well and created a great deal of dialogue that was very positive for all at the meeting with great insight from his viewpoints.

Subject: Employment and Student future after Graduation

Discussion: Student enrollment in Colleges versus seeking employment directly from graduating and the pros and cons and perspectives from the members from Business owners viewpoints were stated. The subject of Workplace Tuition reimbursement programs like General Electric and a current Graduate that acquired a position at Gillette in the Apprenticeship Program.

Meeting adjourned at : 7:40 pm