

Spring 2022 Program Advisory Committee Minutes

Program: HVAC/R Date: 4/7/22

Members Present: Allan Berry, Kevin Shiner, Michael McDermott, Trevor McDermott, Steve Calzini, Shawn Smith

Program Facilitator: (should be the instructor) Steve Calzini

Committee Chair: (should not be an instructor) Kevin Shiner

(Chris Marulli absent)

<u>Subject</u> Program Updates (enrollment, competency attainment, curriculum, equipment

& projects/field work, senior portfolio showcase, etc)

Discussion

Enrollment-75

Happy with trending up numbers but concerned with not enough space. Also, what to do with students who are not interested in pursuing a trade after graduation who are taking up space for someone who might need to be here.

<u>Subject</u> Cooperative Education Update

<u>Discussion</u> Of 18 juniors 10 are currently out on Coop with possibly 2 more in the next few shop cycles

Of 15 seniors 13 are out. Committee very happy with those numbers. Michael McDermott was interested in taking coop students in future



<u>Subject</u> Review CTE Program Assessment

Discussion Done

<u>Subject</u> Employment Outlook/Industry Trends

Discussion Allan was concerned with the supply chain issues causing stock prices to skyrocketed makes for unknown/scary industry future.

Kevin is staying very busy and needs employees now but also concerned that will drop off as soon as he finishes current jobs.

There was big discussions about the current situation at the state level with towns outlawing fossil fuels on new construction which will lead to more installs of heat pump technology. Which led to talk of current Mass Save rebate incentives and to teach the students about the displacement rebate program

All agree there are major issues at state level due to licensing. Coop students should be working for someone who has a refrigeration contractors license

Subject Recommendations for Program

Discussion All were very impressed with what we are teaching students and exposing them to. Said we are teaching the right curriculum that aligns with industry trends. All were looking to donate equipment for the shop.

Subject New Business



Discussion

None

The meeting adjourned at (time): 8:00PM