

Program Advisory Minutes- Spring 2017-2018  
**PLUMBING - April 5, 2018**

**Members Present :**

Dafney Jalbert  
Jamie Jalbert  
Dick Steadman  
Andrew Donorama  
A.J. Donorama  
Bob Macglauphlin  
Jeff Beane

**Subject : Co-op Education**

Discussion: We started by discussing the progress of students currently on Coop especially with the business owners that attended meeting and also have employed students. Dick Steadman and spoke very highly of students working for their companies and asked about additional students. We also educated the business owners that were curious about Coop, and are considering it. We talked about availability of Juniors.

**Subject : Budget**

Discussion : We explained our current budget and what specifically we used money for. We asked for specific donations of Wirsbo pex piping, fittings and tools. Bob said he may have some older tools to donate. Jamie Jalbert said he might have some plumbing parts for us. Jeff Beane asked us to make a " wish " list and email to him. We said we would email to all members. Jeff Beane said he would reach out to wholesalers. We discussed recent changes to shop and how it will benefit program.

**Subject: Competency for Employment**

Discussion: There was discussion of what skills specifically employers would want in co op students and also when they graduate. We discussed maturity issues such as cell phone use on job site, language, etc. We stressed that a big part of our program is teaching work ethics. We were complimented by Dick Steadman on the overall performance our co op student Cedric Garcia at his company. Jeff Beane from Breen & Sullivan said they are anxious to get another Coop student.

**Subject : Safety**

Discussion : We discussed importance of how to use power tools correctly in shop and in the field. We talked about shop safety and the importance of safety glasses.

Discussion : Discussed curriculum, and how shop may look in future as far as different equipment. All members inquired on status of 2nd floor mockup and the importance of that part of the shop. We told them it should be complete by May.