

2011-2012 Committee Annual Report

Committee Name: Vernon College Automotive Technology Advisory Committee

Chairperson: Blake Powell

List of members:

Eddie Campbell	Operations Director, Patterson's Automotive
Blake Powell	Technician, Expert tire
Tim Ramirez	Parts Main Auto, Auto Parts Warehouse
Karen White	Owner, NAPA Auto Parts
Derick Simpson	Automotive Instructor, Iowa Park ISD
David Ress	Automotive Instructor, Burkburnett ISD
Randi Sudol	Parts Advisor, Patterson Auto
Dean Koch	Owner, KC's Auto Salvage
Shannon Moore	Service Manager, Sullivan Toyota

Dates of meetings: 11-10-2011; spring 2012 update letter

Accomplishments: Members approved the program objectives and workplace competencies; member agreed to form a partnership of employers in the area that will give students more choices for work sites for the Practicum course. Draft car project was completed in the spring. Recruiting efforts for spring included high school student tours of the campus and program and groups at STC and the MPEC.

Recommendations: Members indicated support for a generic A.A.S. degree for technical programs that have low numbers of degree graduates.

Membership suggestions: Membership needs to reflect the race/ethnicity of the service area

Agendas, exhibits and minutes posted to Vernon College web site address: Advisory Committee meeting agenda and minutes; spring 2012 update letter to Advisory Committee members.

Submitted by: Roger Blackmon

Date submitted: 8/13/2012

Spring 2012 Advisory Committee Letter

Please find enclosed the minutes from the November 10, 2011 meeting.

Current enrollment:	Brake Systems	12
	HVAC	12
	High Performance Modifications	11
	Engine Performance Analysis	10
	Practicums	3

Expected graduates for Spring 2012 4

Goals and objectives remain unchanged

Equipment: Drift car project was completed in the Spring. Car has been displayed several times with overwhelming positive response.

Work sites for practicum students are all on good relationships.

Professional Development: On going training provided through Expert Tire/ Firestone.
Instructor will be studying for an advanced ASE certification in the coming year.

The Program is currently recruiting through local high schools with onsite visits. Instructor has participated at recruiting efforts at both the STC and Wichita Falls MPEC. We have had several groups from outlying schools visit the Automotive Lab in Vernon with interest in attending in the future.

Thank You for your continued support,

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