Advisory Committee Fall 2016 Annual Meeting Minutes HVACR, Room STC 400 Vernon College- Skills Training Center

CHAIRPERSON: Lee Ritchie		
MEETING DATE: November 17, 2016		MEETING PLACE: Skills Training Center, Room 400
RECORDER: Gus Bauder	VICE CHAIRPERSON: Chris Johns	PREVIOUS MEETING: November 12, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT:	MEMBER'S ABSENT:	OTHERS PRESENT:
Name, Title, Company	Name, Title, Company	Name, Title, Company
Gus Bauder, Director of Automation, Temperature Control Systems	Bin Ellett, Owner, Ellett AC	Scott McClure, HVACR Instructor/Coordinator, Vernon College
Brittney Butler, Office Manager, Texhoma Heating and Air	Ryan Ellett, Service Technician, Ellet AC	Automation Systems Instructor & Division Chair, Vernon College
Chris Johns, Service Manager, Mike Graham Heating and AC	Kitty Howard, Case Manager, Workforce Solutions	Debbie Richard, Skills Training Center Administrative Assistant, Adjunct Instructor, Vernon College
Eddie Johnson, HVAC Specialist, United Regional	Lou Lucero, Lab Assistant, Adjunct Instructor, Vernon College	Donna Egoavil, Administrative Assistant to the Associate Dean of Instructional Services, Vernon College
Lee, Ritchie, Service Manager, Texhoma Heating and Air- Conditioning.		Melissa Moore, Early College Start Coordinator, Vernon College

AGENDA

Agenda Item	Action, Discussion, or Information	Responsibility
Welcome & Introductions	Information	Scott McClure
Purpose of Advisory Committee	Information	Mark Holcomb
Election of Chair, Vice Chair and Recorder	Action	Scott McClure
Approval of Minutes from the Last Meeting	Action	Lee Ritchie
Old Business: (if any, otherwise type None)	Old Business or None	Lee Ritchie
Continuing Business: (List if any, otherwise type None)	Continuing Business or None	Lee Ritchie
New Business:		Lee Ritchie
Review program outcomes, assessment methods, and results	Information	Lee Ritchie
Approve program outcomes and assessment methods	Action	Members Present

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Review program curriculum/courses/degree pans	Information/Discussion	Lee Ritchie
Approve program revisions (if applicable)	Action	Members present
Review SCANS and Gen Ed outcomes matrices	Information/Discussion	Lee Ritchie
Approve SCANS and Gen Ed outcomes matrices	Action	Members Present
Review verification course/exam of workplace competencies	Information/Discussion	Lee Ritchie
Approval of course/exam of workplace competencies	Action	Members Present
Program statistics: Graduates, majors, enrollment	Information/Discussion	Lee Ritchie
Evaluation of facilities, equipment, and technology	Action	Lee Ritchie /Members Present
Recommendations of selection and acquisition of new equipment and technology	Information/Discussion/Action	Lee Ritchie /Members Present
External Learning experiences, employment and placement opportunities	Information	Lee Ritchie/Members Present
Professional development of faculty and recommendations	Information/Discussion/Action	Lee Ritchie/Members Present
Promotion and publicity (recruiting) about the program to the community and to business and industry (gender equity)	Discussion/ Information	Lee Ritchie
Serving students from special needs	Information	Lee Ritchie
Adjourn	Action	Lee Ritchie /Members Present

MINUTES

Action,	
Discussion, or	
Information	
Scott McClure welcomed and thanked the advisory members for their	
willingness to serve. Everyone introduced themselves and stated their	
positions and the agency they represented. Note: Each committee member	
received a packet via email which included all documents that would be	
reviewed and discussed.	
Mark Holcomb explained the purpose and importance of an advisory	
committee and how their input guarantees that the college is maintaining the	
most current practices, direction and equipment. The committee ensures that	
the skills knowledge and abilities taught are pertinent to the field to produce	
the graduates that employers would like to hire in the HVACR field.	
Scott McClure asked for nominations. Gus Bauder nominated Lee Ritchie	
for Chairperson. Chris Johns seconded. Brittney Butler nominated Chris	
Johns for Vice Chairperson. Gus Bauder volunteered for Recorder. The	
committee agreed unanimously.	
Lee Ritchie asked the committee to review the previous minutes and they	
did. Lee then asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Gus Bauder made a	
motion to approve last meetings minutes and Eddie Johnson seconded. The	
committee agreed universally.	
The Chair update the committee on old business. Lee Ritchie informed the	

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None)	committee that out of the 16 students taking the EPA exam in the spring, 13 passed all four sections the first attempt. Scott McClure added that he added
	test prep time at the end of class to reinforce the course information. The
	committee had a discussion. The committee expressed that they were pleased
	with the positive results, and had no recommendations.
	Lee Ritchie stated that Scott McClure was highly encouraging students to
	receive their TDLR and EPA to make them more employable. Lee then
	stated that having the two certifications shows that the applicant is
	motivated. Members had a discussion and as employers, agreed that they
	would show preference to applicants with the certifications, but are willing
	to train also.
	The members discussed further and had no recommendations.
Continuing Business: (List if any,	Lee Ritchie informed the committee on continuing business. Lee stated that
	the Stanley and Betty Ray Scholarship awarded \$500.00 to an HVAC
otherwise type None)	
	student this year.
	The Chair asked Scott McClure to update the committee on his application
	for reaccreditation with PAHRA and he did. One member asked what
	PAHRA stood for. Scott McClure explained. Then Scott informed the
	committee that he received a \$9,000.00 Scholarship.
	Scott McClure informed the committee that the site visit was coming up
	soon and that he was prepared for it. Scott then expressed that he was going
	to implement a plan to reinforce ICE test prep. Lee Ritchie added that Scott
	had a few students with a goal of taking the NATE certification. Lee then
	shared his successful employment experience as a new graduate with NATE
	certification. The committee had a discussion and had no recommendations
	at this time.
New Business:	
Review program outcomes,	The Chair asked members to review the program outcomes, assessment
assessment methods, and results	methods, and results and noted that the outcomes have not been changed
	from last year. Scott McClure explained the outcomes. The committee
	members reviewed and discussed them and asked how Scott incorporated
	them into the program. Scott explained. Scott updated the committee on the
	assessment method and the results. The committee had a discussion and no
	recommendations were made at this time.
Approve program outcomes and	Lee Ritchie asked members to approve program outcomes and assessment
assessment methods	methods as is. Chris Johns made a motion to approve the outcomes and
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	unanimously.
Review program	The Chair asked the committee to review the program curriculum, courses,
curriculum/courses/degree plans	and degree plans and they did. Scott McClure reminded the committee that
curriculum courses/degree plans	the only change was adding the ITNW class this year by recommendation of
	the committee.
	Mark Holcomb expressed to the committee that the state mandates what we
	have to do and one change is the block schedule which has been
	implemented in the program on a trial basis. Mark added that basically Scott
	McClure had to have his students complete in three semesters and added that
	Scott does it well. Lee Ritchie asked if that would be a hindrance for the
	students needing to take night classes. Mark informed the committee that
	Scott McClure could decide when to offer classes.
	Chris Johns noted that 50% of the job is communication and customer
	service. Mark Holcomb expressed that VC was considering adding an option
	to public speaking to fill that void and would be added to the spring agenda.
	The committee had a discussion and suggested incorporating using a tablet in
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	the classes to help with communication.
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Approve program revisions (if applicable)	

	seconded. The committee agreed unanimously.	
Review SCANS and Gen Ed	The Chair asked members to review and discuss each matrix and they did.	
outcomes matrices	Scott McClure informed the committee that the matrices have not changed	
outsonies manies	from last year. Mark Holcomb explained the matrices. The committee ha	
	discussion. No recommendations were made from members.	
Approve SCANS and Gen Ed	Lee Ritchie asked members to approve the three matrices as is. Chris Johns	
outcomes matrices	made a motion to approve the three matrices as is. Eddie Johnson seconded.	
outcomes maurees	The committee agreed unanimously.	
Review verification course/exam of	The Chair asked committee to review the verification course/exam of	
workplace competencies	workplace competencies. Scott McClure stated the AC Troubleshooting	
workplace competencies	course has not changed since last year. Scott then explained that the course	
	content that is pertinent for working in the field and recommended by the	
	committee is repeated until the student is proficient in the material. The	
	members had a discussion and agreed the course was sufficient as is.	
Approval of course/exam of	Lee Ritchie asked members to approve the course/exam of workplace	
workplace competencies	competencies as is. Chris Johns made a motion to approve course/exam	
workprace competencies	workplace competencies as is. Eddie Johns seconded. The committee agreed	
	unanimously.	
Program statistics: Graduates,	The Chair gave an update on the graduates, majors and enrollments. Lee	
majors, enrollment	Ritchie asked how many of the graduates have a job. Scott McClure replied,	
majoro, emorament	"All.". The committee had a discussion and requested a copy of the data	
	regarding employment. Scott McClure ensured that he would send it to them.	
	Graduates: Fall 16, 5	
	Majors:	
	Fall 2015, 22	
	Fall 2016, 35; A 13 student increase from 2015	
	• Enrollment: 35	
	Placement Rate: 100%	
Evaluation of facilities, equipment,	Lee Ritchie noted that Scott McClure ensured all members had a tour the	
and technology	facility/lab. Lee then asked Scott to update the committee on the condition of	
	the lab. Scott stated that the condition is the same. He added that the	
	equipment that he would be purchasing with Perkins funds would not be in	
	until January.	
Recommendations of selection and	Lee Ritchie asked the committee for recommendations of equipment and	
acquisition of new equipment and	technology. Scott McClure asked the committee if he needed to order a Flow	
technology	hood. The committee had a discussion and they agreed that it was not a	
,	necessary item, and suggested to use the broken one that he has as a show	
	and tell. Scott McClure asked about a new walk in cooler. The committee	
	deliberated and recommended that Scott request a walk in cooler at least	
	8X10. Chris Johns suggested requesting 2 mini splits. The committee had a	
	discussion and recommended 2 mini splits.	
External Learning Experiences,	The Chair asked Scott McClure to update the committee on External	
employment and placement	Learning Experiences, employment and placement opportunities and he did.	
opportunities	Scott stated that the members supported his program well by hiring his	
•	students. Scott then reiterated that all his graduates are working.	
Professional development of faculty	Lee Ritchie asked Scott McClure to inform the members of any professional	
and recommendations (if applicable)	development opportunities he had taken advantage of. Scott informed the	
,	committee that most of his training is on-line for convenience sake. Mark	
	Holcomb concurred stating that once the semester begins, it is hard to get	
	away when you are the only instructor. The committee had a discussion and	
	agreed it was best at this time for Scott to take advantage of on-line training.	
	The members suggested to take advantage of an on-line course covering new	
	HVACR technology in addition to asking the tech rep from various	
Promotion and publicity (recruiting)	companies to come and speak to the class. The Chair asked Scott McClure to inform the committee on promotion and	

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about the program to the community	publicity of the program. Scott provided members with an update of the		
and to business and industry (gender	program recruitment and advertisement.		
equity)	Provided CE training on energy code for area contractors in Feb and		
	Oct		
	Sophomore Round-Up; 197 students		
	Preview day 300 seniors		
	GenTX Day		
	Local school tours		
	Visits to supply houses		
	Program graduates are best advertisers		
	Workforce Solutions MSU event in Oct		
	Preview Day		
·	Lee Ritchie asked Scott McClure how much he advertised for the average		
	income. Scott responded \$10.00 or \$11.00 an hour starting out. Lee informed		
	the committee that he gave \$14.00 an hour for base pay. Chris Johns stated		
	that his base pay is also \$14.00, but most of the employees make far above		
	that. Chris added that their efficiency and productivity is what drives their		
	pay rate from the base pay to up to \$50.00 an hour and up to \$60,000.00		
	yearly. The committee had a discussion and suggested that Scott list hourly		
	rate as \$10.00 to \$14.00 hourly and up to \$60,000.00 yearly with hard work.		
Serving students from special needs	Lee Ritchie asked Mark Holcomb to update the committee on how the		
	program served students from special needs and he did.		
	The definition of "special populations" as outlined by Perkins:		
	 In referencing "special populations" in the Local Plan and 		
	in any other applicable sections of the Application, the		
	Applicant shall use the term to mean:		
	1. individuals with disabilities;		
	2. individuals from economically disadvantaged families,		
	including foster children;		
	3. individuals preparing for non-traditional fields;		
	4. single parents, including single pregnant women;		
	• 5. displaced homemakers; and		
	6. individuals with limited English proficiency.		
Adjourn	Lee Ritchie asked for a motion to adjourn. Gus Bauder made a motion to		
Adjourn	adjourn at 1:10 PM. Chris Johns seconded. The committee agreed		
	unanimously.		
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RECORDER SIGNATURES	DATE: 1/12/2019	NEXT MEETING: Fall 2017