

Owens Community College

Environmental Health & Safety Technology Advisory Meeting

Date: March 9, 2007

Location: Toledo Zoo – Toledo, Ohio

Industrial Attendees: Chuck Campbell, Jennifer Huber, Jeff Hutchins, Garry Kudlinski, Robert Ruse, Dawn Spurlock, Robert Stevenson

Student Attendees: Sam Perras

Owens Attendees: Jim Gilmore, Mary Kaczinski, Tim Luc, Kelly Schulte

Topic	Discussion/Rationale	Recommendation/Decision/Action
Call to Order and Review of Previous Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Vice Chairman Jeff Hutchins. ▪ Members were reminded that minutes are posted on the Owens web site. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Minutes from last fall's meeting were reviewed and approved.
Enrollment and Retention Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Enrollment in the degree program on the Toledo Campus has dropped two students for a total of 32. ▪ Safety Coordinator Certificate enrollment has increased 63 students to a total of 115. The individuals receiving training at the Safety Council of NW Ohio are included in these numbers. ▪ Two students have declared the Water Treatment certificate. ▪ There are a number of high school visits coming up this spring as well as the Reg Rocks event for advising high school students. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Water Treatment Certificate was advertised in the Workforce and Community Services bulletin. There was a significant number of responses to doing this.
Faculty Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mary Kaczinski reported that the name of the ENV 122 Chemical and Spill Response class has not yet been changed. A tentative course schedule was distributed to advisory members. The book that has been used for the last few years has one chapter on DOT Haz Mat Regulations. Mary feels it is important to go into more depth on this topic. ▪ The new web-based ENV 201 Environmental Issues class is running this semester. It started out with 20 students and is now at 17. This is the first time it ran with more than 4 people. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Consideration is being given to offering an introductory Environmental Health course. Mary is reviewing a book to see if she can come up with something. ▪ Jim Gilmore stated that his goal is to have all the Environmental courses on-line within the next 5-7 years.
Student Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Student Sam Perras reported that the 94% job placement rate was the number one motivator for him to enroll in the program. He felt that if he got into this program, he would have a future in it. ▪ Since Environmental is such a broad field, Sam Perras thought it would be interesting to know all the career paths available. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ENV 101 and 201 have students enrolled outside the Environmental program. Would a career exploration module incorporated into these classes be beneficial?
Outcomes Assessment Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Advisory members were given a copy of the Environmental Health and Safety Technology program Outcomes Assessment Report. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Advisory members were asked to review the Outcomes Assessment Report and contact Jim with any questions they may have.
Outcomes Competency Validation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Data was collected and reported to the advisory committee. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The committee agreed with the

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		competencies and accepted the report.
Program and Curriculum Enhancements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ See Faculty Report. ▪ Tim Luc is converting the ENV 110 OSHA General Safety class to a web class. The book and lectures are complete; he is working on typing up the tests. ▪ Since smaller municipalities do not have separate maintenance departments, thought will be given to including a wastewater maintenance option in the Manufacturing Technology program. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Advisory members present agreed with the proposed changes mentioned and believes the program is moving in the right direction.
Equipment, Facilities, and Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tim Luc reported that the Welding Department is in the process of building a confined space unit to be used in the HazWOpER classes. 	
Accreditation Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A copy of the Program Review and Evaluation Program (PREP) was distributed to members present. This will become an integral part of the AQUIP and replaces the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) reporting every 10 years. Instead, the program will be reviewed on a three-year cycle. ▪ The program Operational Plan was also shared with the committee. This plan summaries and justifies everything that is done within the program. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The program continues to maintain NAIT and HLC accreditation.
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Owens Environmental Club is sponsoring an Environmental Fair in April right after earth day. There will be a table for Owens and Bowling Green program information. ▪ Chuck Campbell mentioned he came across a Whitmer Tech Prep graduate when he was interviewing for interns a few months ago. ▪ Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Faculty were asked to inform the students about the All Ohio Safety Conference this year at the IX Center in Cincinnati on March 20, 21, & 22.