

Owens Community College

Manufacturing Technology – Welding Advisory Meeting

Date: February 22, 2008

Location: The Toledo Zoo, Toledo, Ohio

Industrial Attendees: Larry Blake, Mark Scalise, Tom Slandzicki, Dick West

Student Attendees: None

Owens Attendees: Mark Durivage, James Gilmore, Greg Morgan, Charles Stewart, Bob Williams, Tamara Williams; Advisor-Stan Paige

Topic	Discussion/Rationale	Recommendation/Decision/Action
Call to Order and Review of Previous Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by Chairman Dick West. ▪ Minutes are posted on the Owens web site at www.Owens.edu, under Academic Programs, School of Technology, Programs, Welding Technology, Advisory Committee, Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Minutes were distributed, reviewed and approved.
Enrollment and Retention Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Based on the 14th day enrollment reports, the Welding program is up 9 students to a total of 103 which is a 9.6% increase. ▪ There was no change in enrollment in the short term certificates. ▪ The regular Welding certificate enrollment was up 9 students for a total of 54. ▪ Overall, the School of Technology had a .9% increase to a total of 156 students. ▪ A list of all the class sections running this semester with the number of students in each was distributed. The headcount will increase during the semester as partnership classes are added. ▪ AWS has a very nice brochure/flyer on welding career choices. A tear-out card is included for interested individuals to get more information. ▪ The Lincoln Welding Motorsports Night will be held April 3rd. There will be over 35 vehicles on display. Flyers and posters were available for members to distribute. Manufacturers will be invited to participate. Free tuition give-aways are being considered. Dick West would like to get the diesel and automotive students involved. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cohort classes have really helped enrollment. Students felt it took too long to get plate certified, so a program was developed where all five classes were put into one semester with the student having the opportunity to get plate certified at the end of one semester. These students attend class 5 hours a night, four nights a week for 16 weeks. ▪ There was an advertisement in the AWS Journal last year that produced a good response and a number of good leads. Jim Gilmore asked members to review the ad and suggest changes to it. Jim believes it was beneficial enough to run the ad again. ▪ Jim Gilmore will do a blanket email with the Lincoln Welding Motorsports Night flyer as an attachment.
Faculty Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Greg Morgan reported that the five Microair exhaust arms have been received. An issue has developed with mounting these arms due to drilling into concrete walls and having classrooms behind these walls. An attempt will be made to mount one over spring break. ▪ Greg also reported that Jim Mahaney, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Greg Morgan will continue to investigate the best way to mount the new exhaust arms and where to mount them. ▪ Charlie Stewart suggested having one or two classrooms dedicated just to the welding program. This would enable the instructors to

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	<p>Construction/Renovation Manager has contacted him regarding the exhaust fan over the back door.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Charlie Stewart thanked Jim Gilmore for supporting the cohort classes. He wondered how the Findlay welding instructor, Veronica Miller is able to cover 65 students with each one needing a variety of materials. ▪ Bob Williams mentioned that there are 36 students taking TIG welding this semester. 	<p>put welding-related material and posters on the boards and walls.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Findlay OEOE welding program will be reviewed to see how it can be more effective.
Student Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Student could not attend due to death in family. 	
Outcomes Assessment Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nothing to report 	
Outcomes Competency Validation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nothing to report. 	
Program and Curriculum Enhancements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ See faculty report. 	
Equipment, Facilities, and Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The welding labs are filled to capacity. Jim Gilmore mentioned he is willing to add more class sections if there are places off-campus that have the equipment to accommodate them. ▪ The welders are not getting a break this semester, so power supplies may need to be replaced. ▪ Thanks go to Perrysburg Machine and Tool as well as North Star Bluescope Steel for the materials they donate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jim Gilmore, Charlie Stewart, Bob Williams and Greg Morgan will investigate area union locals for additional space available to hold welding classes.
Accreditation Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nothing to report. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The program continues to maintain NAIT and HLC accreditation.
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jim Gilmore is currently involved with Honor Flight of Northwest Ohio. This program allows veterans to visit the monuments and war memorials in Washington DC, free of charge. It is an intense one-day trip. The organization is always looking for donations and guardians who accompany the veterans. Guardians pay the \$350 cost associated with the trip. Visit www.honorflightnwo.org for more information. ▪ Dick West mentioned that the next AWS section meeting will be held at Gilmour Ordinance in Old Fort. An upcoming meeting will be held at the airport. ▪ The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m. 	