**Auto Body Technology Program**

**Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

**March 13, 2019**

**Introductions**

David Wright starts the meeting and asks everyone in attendance to introduce themselves to the group. Attendees include industry partners below:

* + Eric Carr, Volunteer
  + Steve Baran, Akzo Nobel
  + Harold Meziere
  + Chuco Paredes, MEZA Auto Paint
  + Alan Taylor, Alan Taylor Inc.,
  + Ron Stahr
  + Sean Dell
  + Cy Avila, LKQ
  + Bruce Reeves, Palomar College, Job Developer
  + Dennis Sprong, Snap-on Tools
  + Mike Newell, Auto Body of San Marcos
  + David Caran, Auto Body of Escondido
  + Tom McMundo, Auto Body of San Marcos

David explains the purpose of the advisory board which includes direction and feed-back from our industry to better prepare students for jobs, which includes updating the curriculum pathways.

**Review & Approve Minutes**

David briefly goes over the minutes from March 21, 2018. He updated that supplies and equipment voted on by the Advisory Committee last meeting were purchased. The committee approved the minutes without changes.

**Teacher’s Aide**

David introduced Eric Carr and thanked him for his volunteer work in AB shop. David explained to the committee that the AB program is in need of instructional assistants and that he is hoping to get support from the committee to continue to ask for funding to hire assistants to help him in the lab. The committee was in agreement for David to go forward with asking for funding for an assistant.

**Equipment & Supply Request**

David spoke to the committee about the needs of the shop/lab to continue to offer the latest technology in auto body repair to students. The committee agrees that updates to supplies and equipment are necessary part to keeping up with technology. This following equipment and supplies were voted and passed by the advisory committee:

Baileigh quote of $27,339

* Manually Operated Tube Bender
* English Wheel
* Bead roller
* A lot of dyes and parts
* Manual operated power iron worker with punch
* Pneumatic Pour hammer
* Metal working and Fabrication tools to give them more to work on
* A good set of tools to get for the restoration class
* Sheet Metal

Aircraft Spruce quote for $1128

* Various riveting supplies

**ICAR Partnership**

David gave an update on the ICAR partnership discussion from last year. Unfortunately, the partnership was not able to work due to logistics including facility requirement that ICAR wanted from the District.

**Curriculum Review**

David presented to the committee the need to bring back a Restoration Class and opened the floor to discussion about what specific suggestions industry partners think is necessary for students to learn in a restoration class. The committee agrees that having a restoration class would make students more hirable. David discussed that the problem across campus has been low enrollment but he suggests that if the restoration class is on a rotation basis with the refinishing class every year, they will be able to make the classes go.

Another area of discussion regarding curriculum was the possibility of Auto Body creating a dedicated metal class. It would be a partnership with our Welding Program and this may help introducing Auto Body students to the Welding Program as well as Welding students to the Auto Body program. This could also lead to AB students getting their AWS certification.

**Storage Building:**

Storage building is under construction this will allow the program to grow and maybe get in to yearlong restoration projects.

**Other Items:**

Bruce Reeves introduced himself as the new Job Developed hired in the CTEE Division. His job is to reach out to industry and help students with internships and finding jobs. He led a discussion by asking the committee about what advice would they give to Palomar College to get students jobs? Industry partners suggested items below:

* State paying colleges based on students getting jobs and/or completion of the program
* Class part of the day and an internship another part of the day as some suggest that people often learn more on a job then in class
* Industry partners wanted to find out if Palomar was seeking paid or unpaid internships.
  + Bruce explained that there are many ways Palomar could partner with industry; Work study money, how much the district has, money internship or credit, building a resume, up to the company, a lot of different ways to do this, some businesses want control over which intern they get and some will feed them through, business owners to interview student and see if it is good for them
* The committee had more questions about the logistics of Bruce’s program and Bruce will be able to follow up with them if they want to start a partnership as potential intern sites.

**Adjournment**

David thanked the committee members and meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.