



ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Via Zoom

November 18, 2021

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Members Present: Bob Biesiedzinski, SCC PACT Instructor; Gary Fantozzi, SCC; Guy Hamilton, SCC; Paul Svenkerud, Carter Motors; Rich Gray; Lynnwood Honda; Clarke Hanson, SCC; Gary Barr, AHM; Rashawn Smith, Acura Bellevue; Lauren Hadley, SCC; Mike Flaherty; AHM; Ryan Hoffmann, AHM; Brandon Johnson, Honda Burlington; Drew Sturm, Lynnwood Honda; John Garling, Klein Honda; Steve Shosky, Klein Honda; Curtis Winterroth, Carter Acura; Sharon Ekwuonwu, AHM; Arvin Merino, Honda Seattle; Jordan Hernandez, AMH;

Meeting Started at 11:30 a.m.

1. The minutes were approved, and introductions were made.
2. State of the Program:
 - a. Drew Sturm is willing to stay on as the committee chair
 - b. Covid-19
 - i. We have been back on campus since May 2020
 - ii. We went to a fully vaccinated campus
 1. Students and staff had to show proof
 - c. Program enrollment:
 - i. Started the quarter with 14 students
 1. Ended with 12 students
 - ii. 3 still need employment
 1. 2 Everett area
 2. 1 Lacey area
 - d. Bob is officially leaving the end of Summer qtr. 2022
 - i. There will be a new instructor
 - ii. A requirement is be a Master Honda/Acura Technician
3. Deans Announcement:
 - a. New interim President at the college
 - b. New Automotive Director is Gary Fantozzi
 - c. The Honda Instructor Position has been submitted to the college
 - i. The college will need at least one person to serve on this committee please.
 - d. Lauren Hadley has been moved to the Director of Workforce

- i. But will still help in these meetings
 - e. Budget:
 - i. No budget cuts in the automotive department
 - f. Good news: Grant
 - 1. Bob and Gary put together a grant through the state for the Honda Program got approved.
 - 2. There are two parts to the grant.
 - a. We projected to increase the class size to 18.
 - b. If we hit the goal on average for 2 years, we get the money permanently, approximately \$144,000
 - c. Equipment grant (#2) lots of equipment for the program. Each item had to be over \$5,000. (\$97,000)
- 4. Old Business:
 - a. Soft skills:
 - i. Communication: SP/2 Training (5 Lessons)
 - ii. Reading and math Skills: encouraging the students to complete the Associate Degree.
 - b. Honda Skills Module have moved to an online system
- 5. News from Honda:
 - a. Brian Bell is the new Manager of Industry Education and Technical Training Operations for American Honda Motor Co., Inc.
 - b. New partnership with National Urban League with PACT school. 17/28 schools have partnerships. The Seattle Urban talks has been stalled. Jordan Hernandez has some initiative to get back into contact with them.
 - i. They help with recruitment events
 - ii. Getting the word out to their members
 - iii. Giving the opportunity to showcase some dealerships
 - iv. Creating a mentorship program (back-east)
 - c. Ryan Hoffmann: Portland training center has opened up to in-person and Ryan has sent out emails and phone calls to start recruiting for the next 3 months
- 6. Open Discussion:
 - a. Shoreline Community College has extended their offer to American Honda Motor Company to host the 2022 PACT Honda Instructor Conference here on our Campus. SCC has hosted before in 2011.
 - b. Drew Sturm: Have the students be more active in what they are working on. At Lynnwood Honda the students are not letting him know what they are working on. Bob can send out an email to all the managers so they can see what the planning guide is. The students should be giving you a list of what Bob wants them to be learning. Arvin Agrees.
 - c. Jordan Hernandez:
 - i. Is investigating possibly doing a PACT scholarship from America Honda. If America Honda can send a check can the school administer the requirements America Honda has. Guy: the

foundation would probably be best to do that. Bob: SCC has three Automotive Scholarships already,

- ii. Bob is going to send Jordan the requirements for SCC's auto scholarships. SCC does have one just for women.
- iii. Jordan wants to know if any dealerships would be able to match it. Paul Svenkerud would match for his students
- iv. Brandon Johnson thinks this is a good idea
- v. Rich's Concern is that the student would go to the next dealer after school to get more money. He would suggest a contract or memo that they would stay there. If the dealership would help pay.
- vi. Bob Mentioned about how funding was in the past. He did mention that a contract or written agreement is not supposed to be a contract of employment.
- vii. Bob can send out the original document to all managers.
- d. Competitive wages: everywhere is offering higher pay wages for starting out with no experience. It is a concern that a student can go work somewhere else and earn more money and not have to go to school or pay for tools.
- e. Next meeting will be Wednesday May 11 @ 11:30-1

Meeting Closed at 12:35 pm