



ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

June 8, 2022

Via Zoom

Members Presented: Bob Biesiedzinski, SCC; Rashawn Smith, SCC; Brandie Biering, SCC; Gary Fantozzi, SCC; Curtis Winterroth, Carter Acura; Arvin Merino, Honda Seattle; Steve Shosky, Klein Honda;

Brian Sligh Honda of Kirkland
Jake – Lynnwood Honda
Jason takayoshi, Acura of Bellevue
Oliver Rankine – Honda of Kirkland
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Richie Del-Puerto – Sno-Isle Tech Skill Center

1. Meeting started at 11:30 a.m.

Last meeting minutes were approved with the one correction that Bob noticed. Bob then thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

2. State of PACT Program

- a. Bob Is officially retiring after 20 years in the Honda program. Rashawn Smith will be the new Honda PACT instructor.
 - i. Came from Acura of Bellevue
 - ii. Was a graduate of the PACT program
- b. Fall 2022 Program Enrollment
 - i. At capacity for fall.
 - ii. If your shop has a good candidate for the program, please do not hesitate to send them to Bob or Rashawn.
- c. We applied for 2 different grants, Equipment and Enrollment. 144k and 95K. The state is really starting to back up the automotive program and give us money for equipment. We focused on a variety of items. We arranged to purchase New ATECH electrical training boards, so that each student will have their own during the class. Fluke 87v series, 18 new dell tough books, pico-scopes, 86" digital tv/monitor w/Wi-Fi, 50" tv were placed in every stall out in the shop that will connect to the laptops. The classroom has been outfitted with new tables and chairs. We are sharing some of the funding with our GST/AST program as well. As long as the program hits the targeted enrollment numbers 2 years in a row, we get the money permanently.

3. Dean/Director updates

- a. The automotive and school is doing okay with our budgets. Funding has been doing well. the school has transferred over to ctcLink. We are not having to pinch pennies if we need to buy something for the class, like we have in the past.
- b. If we meet the enrollment numbers for the FTE grant, we will have the 95K each year. Please, if you think we need any kind of equipment, let us know so we can get that. It also helps with the state knowing you are letting us know what we need.

4. Old business updates

- a. The Honda Conference will be in Florida this year. Bob and Rashawn will both be attending.
- b. American Honda working on a scholarship in the last meeting. They are still working on the program figuring somethings out.
- c. Rich brought up the concern that students will be quick to leave dealership for another for more pay. Bob suggests everyone to look at what you are paying the student for what their skills are. GM has a program that gives their students a little pay raise for every class/skill learned and completed. We need to support these students.
- d. Jake is a current student.
 - i. The number One complaint is Honda Pact students have noticed the lack of mentorship in the dealership. The students need mentors everywhere. Jake mentioned giving the mentor an incentive to helping the students learn and mentoring the students.
 - 1. The lube tech students are allowed to shadow techs when they do not have anything to do.
 - 2. The student needs to be able to ask questions.
 - 3. Older techs are wanting to see the younger techs doing stuff for example emptying drums and cleaning.
 - ii. Jake thanked Bob for everything he has done for him and the other students this year.
 - iii. Uniforms, maybe have uniforms available through the bookstore
 - iv. Text book, the library has at least one of the automotive text book for check out. There is an E-book available for purchase.

5. News from American Honda

- a. Daniel Legg with Northwest Training Center has left the company.

6. Open discussion

- a. The students can either wear the Honda/PACT uniform or their dealership uniform.
- b. Arvin Would like to help with buying some uniforms for the students.
- c. Jake asked for more people coming in and sharing your experience with the students.
- d. November 17 @ 11:30 for the next meeting

7. The meeting ended at 12:30