



## Mopar CAP Advisory Meeting

Date: July 13, 2023

**Rob Allred, SCC; Gary Fantozzi, SCC; Brandie Biering, SCC; Kelly Faley - FCA Group; Derek Carroll-Seattle Jeep; Mike Starke- Hazelwood; Terry Burke- Renton; Levi Chips - Bud Clary; Mario Lopez-Everett; Ivan Chavez - Bellevue.**

The minutes were reviewed and moved to accept.

### **State of the class:**

Rob currently has 7 students; they are all employed at a dealership, and everyone is passing the program.

Brakes and Suspensions are being taught for summer quarter.

Currently no students are enrolled for fall, but Rob has 4 potentials.

A lot of students are afraid to talk to dealerships, college is working on soft skills.

It was suggested dealers going to local high school automotive classes and/or skill centers to introduce yourself, bring a poster, build a relationship with the instructor, be in front of the students several times, offer part time work, it's good to get your name out and potential employees.

Rob had the best students come from the dealerships.

For a dealership to send a student to manufacture training, they must do 0 then level 1 then 2 but Rob being a CAP school can teach anyway he wants and does not have to follow the normal path.

Rob asked how long the average student spends on the lube rack, Max 12 months but depends on the student is how long student takes to adjust to performance requirements.

The program is now a 1-year program and Rob expressed the students don't feel they are applying what they are learning at school at work. It was suggested Rob send managers what the students are learning each quarter.

Gary suggested having conversation with the students about where the students are at and can be. Some people want feedback with doing things. Kelly suggested manager put it in writing and follow through when the students follow through with what they need to do.

Gary suggested you can give a student some time with a mentor when the lube rack is down, 1 or 2 hours per week shows them there is progression if they apply themselves.

### **Level 1 electrical class**

Mopar is pushing electrical, so Kelly ran a class, at another college, Kelly suggested running an electrical class thru the CAP school program. Local dealers only

Manager would pay the school and the techs would be put in as a student, they would be able to come into SCC to come take the test. If the tech fails, the test Kelly can reset the test as many times as need. Schools can take a test unlimited times. The first 3 days on lecture and the 4<sup>th</sup> day to take the test. This can happen with other classes as well. Just call Rob and ask. Gary will try and get the class up soon.

### **ASE Certification**

The school was supposed to reapply for certification last year, but ASE moved it to December 2023. We will need to have a minimum of 4 of you to come in and help with the paperwork and inspections, it must be outside help.

### **Other**

The college is well funded to run the program.

The last 2 years we had received 133k for equipment.

FTE grant for 144k for student supply stuff specifically for the Mopar program

Mopar is starting to give Rob newer vehicles.

It was suggested to have a parent night for all the manufactures to answer any questions.

Students need to be accountable for being on time.

It's important for dealers to get involved in finding potential students to become technicians along with the college if we are to have sustainability.

The meeting ended at 12:15 pm