

MOPAR/CAP Program Advisory Committee Meeting

June 23, 2020

Minutes

Members Present: Rob Allred, SCC; Bill Leavitt, Raridon's (Marysville); Kelly Faley, FCA; John West, Dwayne Lane; Brandie Biering, SCC; Lauren Hadley, SCC; Guy Hamilton, SCC; Levi Chipps;

The Meeting was called to order at 11:08 a.m.

Everyone introduced themselves.

Everyone approved the minutes from June 13, 2019 and also the Feb 18, 2020 minutes.

Rob told everyone that at the beginning of the quarter he had 4 students to start with, but is down to two. The two students are doing good. They both passed their tests for level 2 second electronics control modules with good scores. Next quarter is steering & suspensions and catching up on HVAC.

Rob asked Bill, Levi, and John if he needed to do anything different while teaching the students. Bill said his concern was that the techs are being taught and then leaving to go work for other places like community transit etc.

Rob how the change from a 2-year program to a 1-year program has been? Also, if its working better. Bill mentioned that he couldn't really comment. But then that one of him tech's just left to get another job due to a consistency in their check. Because some techs might have 115 hours in a check pay period and not that many the next. Especially due to the Covid-19.

Bill mentioned that his store is down warranty work. Kelly mentioned that some states are killing it with work while some are laying off techs because of the Covid-19. Some schools are only online while some are back on campus. It just depends on what state you are in.

Rob brought up how the Mopar Program went to an I-Best program. But has since then the I-best is not a part of Mopar anymore. The students had benefited from it, and might do it again in the future.

Hard and soft skills: Robed asked what everyone is looking for. For example stories in the work orders. Bill said that is one of the big things, specially to write down all the steps you took. It is very critical in a work order. John mentioned Diesel. Rob said he just received another diesel vehicle but is missing some of the diesel tools. Bill wants the students to have good electrical skills.

Bill would like the students to be familiar with STAR. Kelly said that maybe a technical advisor can come out and speak to the class about STAR. Bill explained why it is extremely important to

have the tech to open a STAR case on every vehicle. The STAR people are there to help the techs. The techs should be polite to the STAR worker or else they can be black listed. But when the tech gets done with the case they have to let the STAR worker know.

Dual Enrollment: Kelly has about 6 -7 schools that are interested. Kelly would like to (when she gets approved to travel) is to go back to the schools and hit them hard. She would like to get the schools tied up with Shoreline Community College. Guy wanted to confirm that the high school already has this stuff integrated into their program. Lauren explained that we would need to get an agreement with the school district. Richie and Rob are going to have to get together to talk about an agreement. Kelly mentioned that dual enrollment students can still do an internship at the dealership because the CTE school have good insurance.

Next Fall Numbers: Rob said he has 5 people enrolled in next fall. His goal is 16. But he is currently active in looking for more students. Guy mentioned that all colleges are looking into their budgets because of COVID. It is difficult to maintain programs with low enrollment and would like any leads that could help Rob fill his class and support him. Rob mentioned that he has tried to contact a list of potential students but 90% has not replied or responded. Kelly mentioned that we should put something on the college social media (Facebook) page.

The meeting was closed at 12 p.m.