



LAS POSITAS COLLEGE/TRI-VALLEY ROP AUTOMOTIVE ADVISORY BOARD

Tuesday, March 25, 2015

MINUTES

- A. Attendees:** Heather Morelli – TriValley ROP; James Weston – Las Positas College; Jeff Gil – Gil’s Body Works; Ed Woodworth – TriValley ROP; Brian McKee – Hunter Engineering; Kristina Joseph-East Bay BMW; Jeff Palowski-Allen’s Auto Towing; Don Danner-Granada High School; Jim Burke-East Bay BMW; Larry Weiss-Castro Valley High School; Skot Randall – Livermore High School;
- B. Approval of Fall 2014 Minutes** – The December 3, 2014 advisory meeting minutes approved. Motion for approval made by James Weston and seconded by Ed Woodworth. The motion passed unanimously.
- C. ROP Report to the Board**
- Heather showed the new website, pathway videos, and marketing strategies ROP is using to increase enrollment and develop pathway planners at the high schools.
 - BMW and Gil’s Autobody Owner would like to discuss the need for increased pathway access to fill the jobs available at their sites.
 - Ed Woodworth discussed the May competition for his Auto Specialist students to demonstrate the skills they have learned against other high schools.
- D. College Report to the Board**
1. Spring 2015 Enrollments

Capacity is 168 students; currently at 168 students; 100%
 2. Special Projects
 - Brian Hogopian has been working to obtain NATEF certification for the Las Positas program. The certification is expected to be approved for the Spring 2016 term.
 3. Budget/Enrollment Management

LPC reported through James Weston that they will give access to subscriptions to partner high schools to AllData and Identafix electronic service manuals. Ed Woodworth stated he would follow up with James for access.

4. Report to the Board by Faculty

F. Recommendations from Advisory Board Members to the College

The Advisory Board recommended that we use our industry partners to help show students and parents the professional opportunities available locally to get them motivated to enroll in Automotive/Industrial Arts classes. Chris Meyer, the ROP Visual Communications teacher was there and agreed to go to the local businesses to get footage. It was also suggested to meet at one of our local businesses for the next meeting so we can see the new tools and facilities that are in current use in industry.

G. Other Business/Announcements

East Bay BMW is a new member and discussed wanting to establish a mentoring program with ROP students.

H. Date for the Next Meeting

The Fall meeting date will be determined after discussion with ROP and Las Positas regarding collaboration.