## VROP Advisory Committee Minutes

High School: Selma HS Date: 11-17-07

Instructor (s) present: Bob Chapman

Advisory Members present: Doug Collins, Owner, Collins Contruction, Clovis

Lenni Young, Owner, Ed Young Tile, Fresno

Larry Nix, Salesman, Praxair, Fresno

Administrators, Staff, Others Present: None

- I. Welcome and Statement of Purpose
  - A. The main purpose of the Advisory Committee is to provide up-to-date information on current trends and technologies and to make recommendations for the development or improvement of the program. An advisory committee member speaks on the behalf of employers from a specific career-technical area.
- II. Meeting Called to Order By Doug Collins
  - A. November 2. 2007 @ 6:30 PM
  - B. 1131 N. Dewolf Ave.
- III. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings
  - A. Lenni Young recommended approval of the Spring 2006 minutes as submitted.

Motion Seconded by Larry Nix

Approval All aproved

- IV. Curriculum Review
  - A. Members reviewed the ROP Course Outlines for Cabinet Making 1&2. CAM 1&2 will be reviewed at our next meeting. Members liked the fact that second year students are put in leadership positions as part of their training. No revisions were recommended.
  - B. Doug asked if there was any new funds to purchase the 4 X 8 CNC Router we had previously talked about. Bob commented that new grant monies are starting to come in, but the amounts are to low for a new router at this time.
  - C. Lenni asked if my budget was sufficient to run my program. I reponded that with ROP, Selma and VEA funds, my budget has been adequate. To purchase larger equipment, I will need larger grant monies.
- V. New Course Development
  - A. Bob Chapman stated that he is still teaching six different classes of Wood and CAM and does not have time to teach another class. Members agreed that the Wood and CAM classes are excellent and no new classes are recommended at this time.
- VI. Labor Market

- A. Larry stated that the larger manufacturing companies are doing very well but the smaller companies are starting to struggle. Jobs are still available for good workers, but he suggests applying at the larger companies. Doug reported that the commercial building industry is still strong, but the residential has slowed way down. Doug also recommended that students apply for work at commercial companies at this time. Lenni reported that his tile business is still going strong and is not sure if it will slow down in the near future.
- B. The U.S. Department of Labor (Bureau of Labor Statistics) is still projecting an average annual rate of change at a possitive 2.2% for the Construction Industry through 2014 and a possitive 2.1% for the Wood Product Manufacturing area.
- VII. Articulations/U-C Approved/Academic Integration
  - A. CAM is articulated with FCC Caml0.
  - B. Cabinet Making has no woodworking programs at FCC or RC to articulate with.
- VIII. Suggestions & Recommendations
  - A. Doug asked if any field trips are planned for students. I responded that we are planning a field trip to the Pelco corporation after the first of the year. Pelco is a major producer of CNC security cameras and equipment.
  - IX. Other
    - A. None
  - X. Motion to Continue Program/Approve Curriculum
    - A. Larry recommended to continue program and approve current curriculum.

Motion Lenni seconded Approval All members approved

- XI. Schedule (date) of Next Meeting and time: Fall 2008
- XII. Adjournment time: 7:20 PM
- XIII. Name of Person Taking/Preparing Minutes Bob Chapman