

Business Advisory Council Meeting Wednesday, April 29, 2015, 8:00am



Welcome and Introductions:

Jill Flansburg, Program Coordinator at SPC, welcomed all of the attendees and asked for them to introduce themselves:

Mike Brewster, Monin Becky Burton, BAMA Jerry Custin, UTBMA Jill Flansburg, SPC Kathleen Hicks, SPC JJ Jones, Monin Raymond Pingalore, SPC Mark Quinzi, SPC Diane Spaulding, Mastercut Tool

Update on Training:

- a. It's been a struggle to find students all Spring, but we think we have enough for this summer's cohort. The AS Degree in Engineering Technology students at St. Petersburg College will be taking the MSSC class this summer. The MSSC certification articulates into 15 credits for Engineering Technology at SPC.
- b. We are sending an adjunct instructor to Michigan to a train the trainer for FANUC Robotics. We would like to have a 12 weeks robotic program offered in the fall.
- c. We have a set of novices for Mechatronics training for last fall that will be finishing up soon. Soon we will have the Round 1 TAACCCT curriculum for a one-year/ for-credit certification that we hope to be able to use for our workforce novices and incumbents.
- d. SPC is continuing to partner with Polk State College for incumbent workers and mechatronics training.

Statewide job fair:

a. On April 22nd the FL TRADE Consortium held a statewide job fair that included all Florida TRADE colleges and their local CareerSources by having an event on or near the same date. In attendance for SPC were 17 employers, 11 staffing agencies, 6 training programs and 92 job seekers. We sent out a link to an online survey to everyone to ask them about feedback for the event.

Upcoming / Ongoing events:

- a. Drive to 1,000- Dr. Gary Graham's initiative to get 1,000 students hired between April 1, 2015 and April 30, 2016. An email was sent to local manufacturers from Dr. Graham about the drive. On the website: www.fltrade.org there will be a thermometer showing the consortiums progress throughout the year. There is also a YouTube video that talks about FL TRADE: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNdU8fO3VBGwuh4jXoAsQ1w
- b. SPC Fall Advisory Committee Appreciation Event: Jill sent out a Doodle Poll for the event which is college wide to celebrate all of the Advisory Council attendees. Event info: Thursday, September 24,

2015, from 9:00am - 10:30am at Seminole Campus, 9200 113th Street North. The BAC meeting will take place separately, probably at a different location and date.

- c. FL TRADE STEM Manufacturing Forum / FL Sterling: Event info: Thursday, June 4, 2015, from 8:00am 5:00pm at JW Marriott Orlando Grande Lakes Hotel on 4040 Central FL Parkway, Orlando, FL.
 Register for the forum: <u>https://egt-t02.egrouptech.com/confer15.nsf/STEMWebRegistration?OpenForm</u>
 Registration for STEM TRADE Manufacturing Forum ONLY: \$249
- d. Sustainability: There is only a year left to the grant and the Consortium is working on a sustainability plan for the program. Dr. Jim Connolly, Director of SPC Corporate Training, is in charge of all 13 colleges to help form the plan.

New Business / Other?

a. Jerry Custin spoke about classes with SPC and the community in Oldsmar that will probably get started in June this year.

Next meeting - Wednesday, June 17, 2015 at 8:00am, Location: Monin