

Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

PROGRAM COMMITTEE NAME:		Career and Technical Education			
CHAIRPERSON:	Trent Morris				
MEETING DATE:	June 29, 2011	MEETING TIME:	Noon	MEETING PLACE:	Amarillo College
RECORDER:	Paula Badger			PREVIOUS MEETING:	January 26, 2011
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AGENDA ITEM		ACTION DISCUSSION INFORMATION			RESPONSIBILITY
Old Business:					Shawn Fouts
Budget Restraints		No action needed			
Continuing Business:					
Strategic Plan		No action needed			

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Utility Power Worker		
New Business: Homeland Security		
Ronco		
Apprenticeship		
Curriculum Decisions:	Not at this time	
Other:		
KEY DISCUSSION POINTS	DISCUSSION	
Old Business: Budget Restraints	Texas reduced budgetary funding. Amarillo College is presenting a balanced budget. Over the next 2 years, AC is faced with a 6.1 to 2 million dollar deficit. AC has met the reduced funding strategically without negatively impacting its employees. Tuition was raised, but AC still remains competitive with other Texas state community colleges. A retirement incentive was offered with 26 employees, taking the retirement. The impact on CTE programs will be; less money to work with for equipment and other needs, therefore business and industry will be called upon to help.	
Continuing Business: Strategic Plan	Career and Technical Education Center will be relocating and consolidating programs. Renewable Energy under Electronics and Instrument Control has been added to the CTE Division. This program, along with Utility Power Worker will be housed together. Auto Collision and Aviation will be relocating to the Transportation complex. The Auto Collision building will be torn down. Automotive Technologies and Diesel Technologies will be consolidating. The first building to be refurbished is the Manufacturing Complex; a new entrance will be added to the east side, an elevator will be installed. Manufacturing will include Renewable Energy, Electronics, and Welding. The complex has a three acre fenced lot that will become an outdoor lab. This will provide true teaching experiences. In this area, a tower will be used to train utility power workers, solar and wind energy, Safety & Environmental for high angle rescue, fire department. AC will also have a green building to show students what it will do for a power building. This ties in to all of our programs in some fashion. Homeland Security Complex to be established, housing the Fire program and Safety & Environmental. Student Activity Center will house the CTE offices, the CTEC learning center, advising, housing offices and Gear Up. Building L will be converted to a classroom center.	
Utility Power Worker	Program to begin in the Fall 2011 semester. AC partnered with the Amarillo Economic Development Corporation. AEDC gave a \$369,400 grant that will be matched by AC. AC has also received donations from other industry partners in the way of equipment and supplies.	
New Business: Homeland Security	AC is developing a Homeland Security Program. With a 13% growth rate expected within the next 10 years, homeland security should be a viable program. AC has the elements in place for the program; the Fire & Police Academy, Criminal Justice System, Safety & Environmental, Cyber Security (which is being added to the Computer Information System Program), Emergency Medical, International Security and a dog handling program is being added to the CTEC campus.	
RONCO	RONCO, an international security firm, wants to partner with AC to train foreign students in homeland security.	
Apprenticeship	This program will provide academic hours approved by the Department of Labor. Apprenticeship hours will be converted to academic credit to earn an AAS degree, on to a BSOE degree. The general education courses can be picked	

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	up from AC. The City of Amarillo is ready to start this because of the number of employees with lots of hours to convert.
Dog Handling	Dogs will be trained to detect bombs, drugs, and search and rescue. CTEC campus ideal for this program. Amarillo centrally located. There are only 3 colleges in the country offering this program. Kennels will be built.
Curriculum Decisions:	None at this time
Other:	
<div> <div>Chairperson Signature: Paula Badger</div> <div>Date: June 29, 2011</div> <div>Next Meeting: January 26, 2012</div> </div>	