

Shoreline Community College

GMASEP Advisory Committee Meeting

February 6, 2020

Minutes

Members Present: Jerry Andrist, Retired Service manager; K.C. Ediger, Clyde Revord; Rich Filori, Everett Chevrolet; Todd Danner, Roy Robinson; Randy Eaton, Burien Chevrolet; Nate Jackson, Speedway Chevrolet; Mike Jameson, Speedway Chevrolet; Fred Hirons, Burien Chevrolet; Jeff Horton, Bill Pierre Chevrolet; John Martin, Retired Master Technician; Corey Smith, General Motors; Jeremy Snyder, Chuck Olsen; Rich Salstom, North Bend Chevrolet; Jim Therianos, Chevrolet of Puyallup; Lauren Hadley, SCC; Patrick Koenen, SCC; Scott Main, SCC; Brandie Biering, SCC; Gregory Courter, FSE;

Meeting began at 11:34 a.m.

Scott thanked everyone for coming. Everyone introduced themselves.

Patrick talked about a conversation that him and Scott have had recently about how the GMASEP class is going. He told everyone about a proposal that him and Scott had put together recently to expand the GMASEP program.

The GMASEP format was 8 quarters; 4 quarters are in class and 4 quarters in the dealership. The current format is only 4 quarters, -9 subjects Monday to Wednesday – 6 applied learning courses in dealer and on-line Thursday to Saturday. Both models meet the national requirements.

Scott explained how the dealers would want the student to get to the dealership right after class ended at 1:30. This does not work well for the students with all of the traffic. Patrick said that the students retain more information in the new program.

The new format:

- Class #1 m-w in class
 - Class #1 applied learning course work on Thursday, Friday, Saturday
- Class # 2 w-f in class
 - Class #2 applied learning course work on Monday, Tuesday, and Saturday

This would mean two instructors. This program is another way to utilize the space we have. Another idea for this class would be you can have two students in this program and only loose a tech one day, but have two techs on Saturday. Jeremy Snyder asked why there has not been two instructors here. Scott explained because of money issues. Also explained how we lost a director that could help promote the program, and most high school instructors want him to come in to class on any day but Fridays. Scott and Patrick explained that the duo instructor would help because the instructors are more than just a teacher.

Scott explained that he had to wait a while because of other programs past experiences with the college to propose this another instructor. But right now, is a good time to try. And this program will be beneficial to the college for more FTE's and the space being used. Randy Eaton asked if this would mean lower student ratios. Nate Jackson said that it's hard to find good techs right now and so with two instructors it would be good for them to promote at schools.

Patrick mention that talking to dealers and seeing who they have at he dealers already that are on lube or wash. That they would be good potential candidates. Also, military people are good areas as well.

Scott did an exercise explaining how many high schools' students go into Automotive. That is why he is starting to get creative in finding students. Jeremy asked if Scott has enough dealership-by-in's and Scott said "oh yes!"

Patrick and Scott did a survey two weeks ago and handed out a flyer. The Flyer only has 8 dealers on it. But there are 62 dealerships that are in the Shoreline Community College area. Scott explained how students could do the two-year program if they really wanted to if they live far away. Or the student could drive over here for class and then drive back to work the rest of the week.

Rich Filori said it would be great for the school, but has concerns about the student outcome. He did show concern about the 12 months rather than the 24 months. A few people gave Rich some feedback with kids that have been thru the 12-month program. Nate Jackson said that he has two kids that were in both programs and they both do great with anything. Jeremy said he has a kid that has done the 1 year and does great too, and that the 2 year is missing potential. Patrick explained how he thinks that the one-year forces the student to be great or to sink. Scott explained how Twin Falls is a semester school and is creative about the work hours, and uses the holidays to work and in-between quarters. Which is a lot more hours that the student can track for work.

Fred said that it's a good thing that the student could use what they learn the first part of the week later in the week in the shop. Also, mentioned that Scott could go to STEM classes and promote there as well. Scott explained how he already has his next class already half full. If this keeps up he will have to tell people that they might have to wait. The new generation is a

working group and does not want to wait around. Rich Salstom said that he has two kids that one went thru the 1 year and 1 in the 2 year program and asked what they liked better. The students both said that they like the 1 year because the student learns more in the 1 year and can apply it right away in the shop. Nate Jackson said that he only has a 1 year with the student as a trainer, and explains how the first year the student does not make the dealership any money, but it's about what they can bring to the dealership in the next five year.

Scott asked the group "is this an expansion of the program?" Everyone agreed yes. Scott explained what this grant can bring to the program. Like a money grant for equipment that cost a lot. The stipulations on this grant is based off of FTE's. Meaning the number of FTE's that Scott says he is going to have like 12, means he will have to have 12 students graduate in the first two years of the program. What Scott needs for this grant is:

- Endorsement letters from multiple dealerships,
 - o Saying that you support the idea and the program.
- Commitment Letters,
 - o TBA
- Student Contracts

Everyone agreed that they want to expand the program.

Patrick explained that him and Scott will send out a survey to all of the dealerships in Washington and surrounding areas, along with, the owners as well. Explaining how sending a student to the GMASEP class is cheaper than sending the student thru the class that Patrick teachers by a lot of money. The dean of the college wants to get the dealership owners together and present this information.

Jeremy asked if Scott wants to add a hybrid electrical class and Scott Said NO and the is from GM training, but he thinks they should.

The next step for the grant is to get the endorsement letter made and sent out to everyone. And after that send that in and if that gets approved then the next step is the application. Scott explained that even if we do not get the grant we would still most likely do that program because it will bring in more FTE's.

K.C. suggested Indeed and setting up an account to help recruit people. Scott said that he has an Instagram account to help promote, and is starting to get followers.

Meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.