



MACHINING/MANUFACTURING ALLIANCE MEETING
AT ECC SOUTH CAFETERIA
JANUARY 27, 2005
MINUTES

- I. Machining manufacturers and educational representatives were welcomed by Charles Corluccio and Mark Hoerber

- II. Machine Tool Career Prep Program information - Paul Goodrich
 - A. 15-week program a new entry-level program for machine shop training
 - B. Courses that are not lab oriented can be offered at South Campus or at companies (minimum of 6)
 - C. This could work for people who are going to One Stop Centers

- III. Career Placement Office – Mike Golebiewski
 - A. Companies were concerned about students' Workers Compensation and insurance – the students will be ECC students and, therefore, covered through ECC per Michael Golebiewski.
 - B. The machine tool area has been put on the demand occupation list so that non-unionized dislocated workers can have their education paid for by One Stop Centers.
 - C. TAA or TRA will pay for unionized dislocated workers training in the machine tool area.
 - D. Host a meeting of the Niagara Frontier College Placement association and area high school counselors within their businesses to review opportunities that might be available within their business or organizations.

- IV. Listserve
 - A. The listserv is a distribution list for members to send single messages to all other members who have signed up and also receive messages from these same members. Listserv is maintained by ECC. Listserv allows information sent to stay confidential.
 - B. Companies should have signup instructions in their folders from January 27, 2005 meeting.
 - C. All alliance members will need to be a part of the listserv; and if they need sign up information or have questions, contact Joan Castro at castro@ecc.edu.

- V. Web Site
 - A. Alliance has web site currently found at <http://ecc.liquidmatrix.com/academics/mma.asp>. The alliance is part of ECC's new web site. Very soon the new web address will be <http://www.ecc.edu> where the old web site is currently housed.
 - B. The web site includes links to:
 1. Alliance members contact information (members should proof their page.)

2. News releases sent to newspapers, etc., by college or alliance member's organization
 3. Professional Growth – opportunities for educational growth; such as: 15-week Machinist Training Program, information on developing courses through Workforce Development
 4. High School Information – will include opportunities and important information for high school students.
 5. Grant Information – will include Perkins and grant info provided by manufacturers
 6. Professional Information – labor law info, school insurance info, and links to professional affiliations.
 7. Meetings – agendas and minutes from alliance meetings.
 8. Job Opportunities – a link to the ECC Career Resource Center's web page that will show current job opportunities in the machining/manufacturing area as submitted by alliance members.
- VI. Develop an Internship Coop Program with BOCES and Buffalo Public Schools – PowerPoint Presentation by Joanne Colmerauer (see the PowerPoint presentation at our web site at <http://ecc.liquidmatrix.com/academics/mma.asp>)
- A. Summer work assignment and internship with stipend - 3-credit course
 - B. Students register for Fall semester and receive a scholarship of \$250 towards their Fall tuition. Companies pay students a stipend of \$1,680 through the ECC Foundation.
 - C. This could be a basis for a future grant application that would pay to train future employees to work at a company
 - E. Companies interested in summer interns should respond via listserve.
 - G. Immediate interest was expressed to accept students for their internship by several companies.
- VII. Charter School for Applied Technologies – Karen Merkel-Liberatore – presented an overview of the Charter School concept. She felt the alliance was a good match for her charter school because the school's educational goal is to apply real world experiences with their educational curriculum.
- VIII. Information about committees and their needs will be posted on the web site and companies can sign up for the ones they are interested in. They will be:
- A. Partnership Committee – Co-Chairs Mark Hoeber and Charles Corluccio from ECC
 - B. Employment and Training Needs Committee – Co-Chairs Paul Pietraszewski and John Slisz from ECC
 - C. Education Awareness - Breaking Down Stereotypes Committee – Co-Chairs Paul Goodrich from ECC and Karen Merkel-Liberatore from the Charter School for Applied Technologies.
 - D. Other
- IX. Other:
- A. Alliance members would like a means to link with the One Stops and to form an alliance
- X. Our next meeting will be in approximately two months