



Machining/Manufacturing Alliance Meeting
Friday, December 16, 2005
8 a.m. to 9 a.m.
South Campus – Faculty Dining Room
MINUTES

Attendance:

Machining/Manufacturing Members: Accellent - Lee Backus; APA Solutions – Jean Szulc; Cello-Pack Corp - Lucy Barnett; Dynabrade - Colin Brogan; Keller Technology Corp. – Jim Fournier and Thomas Will; McGard - Bob Wagner; Palma Tool and Die – Tom Owczarzak and Bill Tate; Taylor Metalworks – Kathy Mecca; J.M. Canty - Paul O'Brien

Government: Empire State Development Corp. - Marguerite Greco, WIB - David Kaczor,

Education: Erie 1 BOCES – Jim Sypniewski, Charter School for Applied Technologies – Tom Kulaszewski and Robert Mikulec

ECC: Joseph Abbarno, Joanne Colmerauer, Charlie Corluccio, Michael Golebiewski, Paul Goodrich, Mark Hoerber, Lorraine Pierro, Paul Pietraszewski, John Slisz, Richard Washousky

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by: Joan Castro

- I. Welcome** - Charlie Corluccio, ECC Technologies Project Director and Mark Hoerber, ECC Assistant Academic Dean for Technologies
 - A. Welcomed companies; thanked Dynabrade for equipment and supplies donation.
 - B. Dynabrade ran employment ad in *Buffalo News* mentioning students with ECC training; and Machine Tools Coordinator Paul Goodrich received 15 calls about program
 - College would appreciate any alliance members who would follow Dynabrade's example
 - C. Charter Schools – are running offsite ECC courses

- II. State of the College and Alliance – Richard Washousky, Associate VP Academic Affairs**
 - A. College's Economic Impact Report distributed and referred to
 1. our three-campus College accounts for \$668 million of region's earnings; most graduates stay in this community
 2. ECC funding sources include: a.) Tuition and Fees - \$36,203,817 – 44.8 percent; b.) State funding - \$26,596,397 – 32.9 percent; c.) County funding - \$15,429,317 – 19.1 percent; d.) Other funding - \$2,662,600 – 03.2 percent;
 3. Socio-Economic benefits to community – ECC contributes \$668 million annually
 4. 87 percent of ECC budget is for staff and fringe benefits
 5. Perkins Grant - \$170,000 assigned CNC Machines
 - B. Metal Working Institute became part of college and provided \$385,000 in cash, \$221,500 in equipment, and a \$50,000 scholarship endowment fund
 - C. Machining/Manufacturing Alliance created
 1. Endowment Scholarship – \$50,000 through ECC Foundation
 2. Purchased and entrusted \$240,000 in equipment for the Haas Machining Center
 3. Provided paid internships to eleven students in the Summer 2005
 4. Provided \$10,700 towards tuition and scholarships
 5. Hosted two career fairs; over 300 potential job seekers met with alliance companies

- D. College Campaign Goal - \$100,000
 - 1. Need \$11,000 to \$12,000 per student
 - 2. Seeks to train 75 individuals (overall program capacity) for manufacturing positions with quality education that is student centered, focused on academic excellence and is accessible, responsive and financially affordable
 - 3. Provide 15 students with paid internships in Summer 2006
 - 4. Continue Job Fairs
 - 5. Increase company membership in the Machining/Manufacturing Alliance
 - 6. 50 company partners providing \$2,100 would reach our campaign goal
 - 7. Return on company dollars - contributing to students in manufacturing industry and also to students in the county in general.
- E. 250 jobs were available in our area last year
- F. Upcoming opportunity to thank alliance companies for support will be at our Advisory Board Breakfast in February or March

III. 37L Program

- A. David Kaczor, Director of Marketing, Workforce Investment Board
 - 1. Goal is to "Put People to Work"
 - 2. 37L Program mirrors the 32I Program
 - 3. For information:
 - a. Call 504-1483
 - b. Web sites: <http://www.becwib.org/training.asp> and <http://www.workforcenewyork.com>
- B. John Slisz, Coordinator, Corporate Training
 - 1. ECC could provide training with the grant through Hazard Abatement Program.
 - 2. ECC to host seminar January 12 at Classics 5 for the '37L - Building Skills in New York'

IV. Committee Reports

- A. Academic Pathways
 - 1. High school students are not being educated about machining careers.
 - 2. To create interest among communities' youth, high schools are being educated about careers in machining manufacturing industry through ECC tours and companies; such as: 25 students from Orchard Park High School visited ECC's metalworking and mechanical engineering programs and Polymer Conversions.
 - 3. Companies open to tours - contact Joanne Colmerauer at 270-2826/Colmerauer@ecc.edu.
- B. Curriculum Development - Outlines distributed for new updated curriculum
- C. Job Placement – Michael Golebiewski
 - Invitation to Career Days at ECC (in May at One Stop Center – contact Joe Abbarno). Alliance is invited to distribute company information on their letterhead at a table.
- D. Machining/Manufacturing Alliance Missions and Goals
 - 1. Grants available for High Growth Training Initiatives for: 1.) Geographic areas to tie together industries; 2.) Three-pronged initiative; 3.) Response to industry training needs for new hires and to keep employees updated.
 - 2. Steering Committee formed - six interested companies to attend Jan. 18 and Feb. 1 meetings
 - 3. Industry needs to promote their businesses and that good, respectable jobs are available.
 - 4. Possible name change for Machining/Manufacturing Alliance

VI. Next Meeting – Friday, February 10 at 8 a.m.