Advisory Committee Meeting 12/4/2017

In attendance: Klint Rigby (BC), Darrin Willis (BC), Lidia Torres (BC),

Duane Anderson (BC), Jason Dixon (BC), Beth Harrison (BC), Tony Cordova (BC), Pamela Gomez (BC), Scott Blankenship (A.C. Electric), Dan Cronquist (AECOM), Jeannie Bertolaccini (Ordiz-Melby Architects), Brian Atwater (East High), Pierre Peasha (Centennial High), Ty Newton (Arvin High), Matt Lanzer (Cornerstone Engineering), Jason Marnott (Cornerstone Engineering, Daniel Stitt (Stantec), Braulio Juarez (Parsons), Bryan Capps ( A.C. Electric), Lorenzo Martinez (Parsons), and Jay Corona ( Parsons).

The minute started with introductions. There was much positive

input from the group about the quality of B.C. students.

* Klint Rigby began the meeting with a brief introduction to B.C.’s

 various programs.

* We had three C.T.E. Advisors would presented issues

associated with the Internship Program.

They explained:

* the details of the program including the fact that even though the present employment is a bit weak this program could be of benefit to employers.
* the commitment for hiring internships is for one semester.
* Data collecting software: *Job Speaker, Link-In*, etc.

Then we took a break for dinner. Much good conversation was enjoyed around the room during this time.

Klint then discussed “Core Indicators” and mentioned the possibility of someone from industry organizing and leading these meetings.

Labor market information:

* Employment opportunities was discussed by the different industries present in the group.
* Entry level CAD drafters are in demand and will ALWAYS be in

 demand.

* In some of the industries full-time employment is being replaced by consultants; out-sourcing as opposed to in-house.
* Architectural firms are busy and expect to be hiring!

Jason Dixon told the group about the new A.S. degree in Engineering Technology. It is essentially the same as Engineering but without the advanced mathematics. This represents yet another opportunity for hiring and/or being involved with the Internship program.

As usual, this was a very good meeting that afforded the opportunity to continue our ongoing dialog and relationship(s) with the community and, specifically, industry leaders in our areas of education.

The committee divided into industry specific small groups and discussed issues pertinent to each field.

Klint closed the meeting by discussing our next meeting next Spring (2018)

The suggestion was to discuss the possibility of having a lunch meeting possibly at a restaurant or someone’s office.