**Fresno City College**  
Applied Technology Division  
   
CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
   
Date:               May 04, 2018.  
Time:               5:00 P.M.  
Location:         9182 E. Sierra Ave.  
   
MEMBERS:  
                        Bryan Anderson-Anderson Tile  
                        David Anderson-Anderson General.  
                        Tim Bremer-Harris Electric.  
                        T. Scott Butler-Thomas R. Butler, Inc.  
                        Gino Grillo-Independent Builder.  
                        Mike Koch-Building Official-City of Kingsburg-Building Dept.  
                        Mike Lacko, -CEO-Allied Builders.  
                        Dan Lesmeries-City of Clovis-Engineering Dept.  
                        Stan Simonian-Contractor-Fresno Arrow Realty.  
                        Keith Strong-Contractor-Plumbing.  
                        Sebastian Corp. Contractor, Communications.  
                        Ken Wall-Wall Construction.(Retired F.C.C. Const. Instructor.)  
                        Eric Nitzsche-Construction Program lead instructor.  
                        Dr.Becky Barabe-Dean of Applied Technology Division, F.C.C.  
   
   
Construction Program Call To Order, 5:15p.m.:  
   
Present:           Tim Bremer,   Scott Butler,  Rick Christl, Gino Grillo,  Mike Koch,  Mike Lacko, Stan Simonian, Ken Wall, Eric Nitzsche.  
   
Introductions: Introductions were given for Scott Butler as he is new to the group.  
   
Minutes:          The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as written.  
   
Old Business:  1.         Eric talked about Keith Strong closing his plumbing shop.  
                                    Several of the members were aware of this.     
   
Current Business/  
Program Status:   

1. Eric gave an up date as to how the Habitat For Humanity 2017-18 Project House has worked out and the current state of it's progress.
   1. The members were told about the dedication and Recipient Family event that would take place on May 16th and all were invited.
2. It was explained that the Division Dean has hired Brian Nelson to write a new Building Safety and Code Administration Program. Mike Koch was particularly pleased to hear this and told everyone that there is an extreme need for building inspectors at the current time.  Mike also noted that plan reading and CAD capability are required of persons seeking building official positions.
3. Stan Simonian brought up the Calif. Disabled Access code requirements for restrooms. Mike Koch was quite able to answer all of Stan's questions and volunteered a great deal of information about the A.D.A. requirements and how they becomes more stringent each year.  
   Discussion between many of the members took place concerning this topic.
4. Tim Bremer, Scott Butler and Mike Koch exchanged thoughts on commercial lighting requirements.
5. Stan Simonian stated that Darden Architectural had to solicit students from San Luis Obispo as they felt there was not a good source locally for potential employees with the requirements they needed. Eric stated that he will send this concern to Ken Zamora and have Ken get in contact with Stan or Darden to see if our students might have a chance at filling this need.
6. Eric explained the One Year Scheduling that is now in place for the Fall 2018 Semester and how a student can complete all of the Construction Program's courses in one school year. None of the members seemed to find any problem with this offering.
7. Eric explained that Habitat For Humanity is trying to set up a house for the Fall 2018 Semester that the F.C.C. Construction Program will build.
   1. Eric noted that the plans have been given to the architect and that Habitat has already asked that the sq. footage be dropped to 1250 sq. ft. as they are concerned that the house will be too expensive for the neighborhood.
   2. It was noted that Habitat has approached the School to put up money for the house even though the school builds the houses for less than Habitat does.
8. Eric noted that more of the construction classes have good enrollment now due to the efforts of the Dean and the Division counselors.

2-5 Year Program Direction.

1. Eric asked all of the members present to think about what direction the program might take during the next five years.
   1. Scott Butler and Stan Simonian brought up the fact that new homes are heading toward the smart house concept and that training in this area should be given consideration.  
      Stan noted that a residence having a home automation system is much easier to sell.
   2. Eric will send a listing of all construction program class with course descriptions and also title 5 documents if they might be interested in learning more about a particular class.

Curriculum:

1. Eric noted that he managed to get through the Five Year Curriculum Review with a great deal of frustration and wasted time due to the committee not making their standards known.
2. Eric explained how very supportive the F.C.C. President and Division Dean have been toward our Division and the Construction Program in particular with an infusion of an extra $2,400.00 in instructional money.
   1. An explanation was given as to what constituted an instructional item.
3. Eric noted that Mike Lacko will be teaching the 1:00pm section or the Residential Electrical class and that Gino Grillo will teach the Construction 50A Basic Residential Construction in Fall 2018.
4. Eric presented the idea of creating two new low unit certificates. One certificate would include the two project house classes CONS. 51, 9Units and CONS. 53, 9 Units. The other low unit certificate would include the residential electrical classes 175A 4Units, 175AL .5 Units and 175B 4 Units, 175BL .5 Units. The reasoning for creating these two new certificates is that funding is being tied to the number of degrees and certificates completed by each area. It would also help our program to look better during Program Reviews. The committees support or rejection of the idea was solicited. All members in attendance supported the new certificates after some discussion and a few questions being answered by Eric.

Other School Related Items:

1. Stan Simonian suggested that Dean Barabe might be interested in speaking before the Rotary Club. Eric will approach the Dean concerning this.
2. Eric noted that the Dean had procured monies so that all new bench vises were installed in the F.C.C. T-406 lab and that a new lumber rack was purchased that did get all of the lumber up off of the shop floor providing more work room for the students.

Perkins:

1. Perkins was not discussed as the Construction Program is not consuming any Perkins funds.

Adjournment:

1. The meeting was adjourned around 7:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
   
                        Eric J. Nitzsche  
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