IT Technician Advisory Committee Meeting
June 8, 2017
11:00 am to 1:00 pm / Room E-7

Committee Members Present:
Allis Cha – Young Systems – IT Service Director
Sean Martin – Komputers4Rkids
James Watson – Komputers4Rkids – Director
Michael Plata – Trust-E-Tech

Committee Members Absent:
Charlene Poodenpah, Best Buy, Cerritos – Deputy of Counter Intelligence 117
Joe Machado – ABC Unified School District – Network Analyst I
James Hannum – Trust-E-Tech

In Attendance: Chuck Minear, Assistant Principal; Rachelle Schulz, Lead Instructor/CTE Counselor.

Instructors: Mike Normoyle, Bob Takhar

Minute Items by Isidro Morales

Welcome
By Chuck Minear
Chuck welcomed everyone and thank them for attending. This year the IT Technician will be funded 100% from Carl Perkins. The focus of the instructor is to integrate in SofSkills, phone interviews, career center, job search, creating resumes and student presentation. Instructor needs to know if students comprehend basic computer before they can start the Computer Repair and Security, Coding program.

James Watson from Komputers4Rkids suggested teaching a class on "how to have a better self-presentation." Chuck Minear remind everyone that we are at the mercy of the students regarding classes and programs.

Chuck Minear motioned to accept IT Technician meeting for December 2017. James Watson from Komputers4Rkids motion to accept and Allis Cha from Young Systems second the motion. All committee members accepted and agreed.

Bob Takhar, A+ Computer Repair Instructor gave a short overview of the class that he teaches by assignment completion, 57 projects, 20 exams and direct instructor lectures. In addition, the computer repair class is fast pace with Live Demo's, student assignments and with 10-15 fix-it problems. Students need to be updated active hardware, Kelly, Windows, Migration and Images programs. The intention in attending the computer repair class is for a student to continue moving forward and not fall behind, a student needs install a basic Windows Program in 3 hours and not 3 days.

Chuck Minear said that 100% of the students that registered for the whole career path finish the program and graduate. Job placement rate is a lot higher if a student completes the whole program instead of finishing a single course. Rachelle Schulz, Lead

Instructor / CTE Counselor express the importance of students in a career path to complete, be certified and be employed. Keyboarding is an essential class for all the career paths. A student is require to type at least 40 wpm less five errors in order to receive a certificate of completion. James Watson suggests lowering the standard of typing speed to 35 and the reason is that a high school student can type at a very high speed. Chuck Minear mentioned that typing 40 wpm in the real world is many words, it is better to be accurate than fast.

Bob Takhar express the importance and the success from Certification and Non-Certification. Some of the certifications are A+, Server+, Network, and Security+. The goal for the student is to receive the IT Technician Certification.

Mike Normoyle, Computer Repair Basic Instructor recommends student to take the 9-week computer repair basic class in order to transfer to Bob's A+ Computer Repair. In class, the student will be exposed in fixing computer by opening and taking apart laptops, clean and up-grade. Make sure the students choose the right career path.

James Watson questioned the difference between the IT Technician and Graphic Media Design! Hours to complete and media wages do not coincide with the program(s). Chuck Minear will look into it and make changes if needed.