



INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY CONSORTIUM COMMITTEE (IFCC)

AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY MEETING MINUTES

Date: Thursday, September 14, 2023

Time: 10:00 am

Location: Central Georgia Tech, Macon Campus

Meeting Facilitator: Mason Miller, SRTC and Seth Massey, GPTC

Recorder: Alan Ashmore, CTC

Attendees: Alan Ashmore and George Belk, CTC; Arnie Cobb, SCTC; Sonya Wilson, SETC; Ernest Pauley, Terry Moore, and Seth Massey, GPTC; David McMurry, LTC; Ken Hardy, Steve Waters, Brett Colston, and James Wilkes, CGTC; Kevin Bryant and Chris Davis, ATC; Toby Heard, WGTC; Jennifer Roberts and Mark Whittaker, GTC; Anthony Hobbs, STC; Mason Miller and Corey Nawolski, SRTC; and Steve Conway, TCSG.

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

Seth and Mason welcomed everyone to the meeting. Steve Conway passed around the sign in sheet and reminded everyone to let him know about list serve membership changes as they occur. Steve also mentioned that this group still needed a chairperson, but he had received no nominations via email yet. Alan Ashmore nominated Brett Colston to be the new chair and Toby Heard seconded the nomination. There being no other discussion, the nomination passed unanimously with the group. Brett thanked everyone for their support.

DISCUSSION:

The group then heard updates from Steve Conway regarding several topics. Steve briefly recapped the development of two standard EV related TCCs that were now in KMS for adoption. The HVR1 TCC is designed as advanced training for experienced techs. It has been approved for about 2 years and at least 4 colleges have it on their approved listing. The EVP1 TCC was developed by Savannah earlier this summer and is designed specifically for folks who would like to be considered for hire at the new Hyundai meta plant near Savannah. So far 4 colleges have asked for this program approval. Steve explained the differences in the curriculum and length of time. There were several basic questions asked from the group and then answered. Steve then gave a brief update on the EV listening sessions that would take place over the next two weeks. He encouraged each instructor to try and attend at least one. Again, there was some discussion and some basic questions and the group decided to have a Webex meeting soon after these sessions were completed to discuss outcomes. The last formal topic Steve covered was ASE updates. Program certifications are going well at present and ASE is proving to be flexible with requests especially regarding recertifications. Seth told the group about using the ASE recertification app which is only about \$40 a year and very convenient to use. Steve explained that there was

also a new certification released for hybrid and EV safety protocols. Steve encouraged instructors to pursue this certification especially if they would be teaching the new EV TCCs. Safety training is paramount for doing any type of service or training in the labs with these vehicles. There was a question regarding safety and systems training availability for these vehicles. Steve stated that two sessions had been held already by colleges and that Wiregrass would still be hosting yet a 3rd session in December. Toby Heard said he would resend the invite on the list serve for those who may have missed it.

CONCLUSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

The group agreed that there was still exploration to be done regarding changing curriculum to match evolving technologies. However, the new lowering of credits for TCCs to 3 was appealing and several members thought they might propose some new standard short TCCs since the policy is changed.

Meeting Adjourned: Mason and Seth adjourned the meeting after final questions were answered at 12:30 pm

Minutes Submitted By: Alan Ashmore, CTC