

DVR Industrial Technology Committee

Meeting 4 – Friday, April 11th, 2014

Topic: Construction

Triton College

2000 Fifth Ave.

River Grove, IL 60171

T Building Room T-162

9:00 am

In Attendance: Frank Holthouse, Greg Lindemann,– Leyden H.S., Carl Fedele –Proviso H.S.
JoBeth Halpin, Antigone Sharris –Triton College

Members began the meeting with introductions and breakfast.

Dual Credit Review

- Members discussed the current status of dual credit in the DVR area. There seems to be a lack of communication between organizations when schools attempt to set up dual credit. Members also expressed concern that dual credit also sets up inequitable scenarios where one high school instructor may meet the requirements to offer dual credit and the other instructor may not for the same class. All members present agreed that articulated credit created more opportunities for students and had fewer issues in implementation.

Presentation and Discussion of Programs of Study Website

- Members reviewed all sections of www.DVR-EFE.info. Members were shown how to systemically review the student schedules for accuracy with their institution. The website review document was shared with members so that they could continue work outside of the meeting.

Career Clusters and Pathways

- Members were shown state course descriptions for curriculum alignment.

Tour of Triton's Facilities

- All members toured the Engineering Lab in the T-building, followed by the IBC rooms in the R-building.

Independent Building Contractor Program Overview

- Mrs. Halpin shared and overview of the new Independent Building Contractor program at Triton. This program is intended for adults who want to begin their own business. Content includes rough carpentry, finish carpentry, plumbing, interior preparation, and sustainable practices.

Triton Update

- It was shared that Triton hired a new Dean of Technology. Triton also shared that they finalized an agreement between Triton and Perdue Calumet for Engineering Technology.

School Clubs / Organizations

- Mrs. Sharris shared her positive experience with FIRST robotics. She noted that a club like FIRST helps build skills in a variety of classes, from Manufacturing, Design, to Marketing.

Sharing of Curriculum

- Members shared several lessons and projects. Members continued a professional discussion over Lunch