

# DVR Technology & Engineering Education Committee

*Meeting 3- Friday, Jan. 20, 2017 8:00 AM - 11:30 AM*

*Triton T Building, Room T138*

Our goal is to have at least 1 representative from each school at every meeting in order to facilitate communication and help support each school through our interactions with Triton, DVR, and the requirements of our programs in educating our students.

Building Advisory Committees (All Tech Areas, Auto Focus)

Persons in Attendance- Ryan VenHorst (OPRF), Brian Collier (Ridgewood), Lindsay Longstreth (Leyden), David Weishaar (Riverside-Brookfield), Jason Quint (Proviso West), Jim Jennings (Elmwood Park)

## AGENDA

### Current status of district partnerships

#### Open discussion on December Triton Partnership Meeting

The group discussed having the Business Partners from Triton around the table to discuss needs of the companies in manufacturing as well as general math, science and soft skill abilities.

Focus from meeting in December distinguished the needs of CC and Business in relation to HS and Businesses. The needs of high school students to continue learning the content alongside career and technical education skills and knowledge.

### Current Advisory Boards-

Leyden- established, A-1 Tooling (Ernie) shadowed Lindsay Longstreth to see where their current practices in school could best intersect with the needs of A-1 Tooling. Next meeting is Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> 3:30-5. Rob Stuebing of Qualiseal is the Advisory Board President.

OPRF- new formation with new administrative leadership. Ryan VenHorst will be attending Leyden's Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting to observe the current structure and effects of a Manufacturing Advisory Board.

Elmwood Park- No Tech Program, importance of Voc. Ed communicated to the BoE. Jim Jennings communicated the intent as an administrator to continue to elevate discussions in the community above standardized test scores

RB- No formal board, but relationships exist among parents who interact with programs and teachers. David has gone to the ACTE National Conference for the past couple of years. The entire group then discussed the value of these conferences. Nearly everyone has attended a conference and the overall takeaway from these is positive. The ACTE conference

has offered a large format location for technology displays and interaction with businesses that sell and utilize various technologies that align with our curricular goals in Technology and Engineering Education.

### Framework to further develop and utilize partnerships for CTE courses.

Each school representative was encouraged to continue conversation in their school about partnerships that will benefit the students, community and businesses. The “Building Advisory Boards That Matter” book by Pawlowski can be used to continue developing boards for each school. Ryan VenHorst has also made the suggestion that each school should have someone designated with appropriate time release to complete the tasks to organize/run these partnerships. Having organizational responsibilities fall on the teacher is more than can currently be accomplished with teaching duties included.

Leyden is open to having other schools come visit one of their meetings. Their Manufacturing Advisory Board is meeting 2/15/17.

### Curriculum discussion among all member schools and offerings (focus on Auto)

There were no specific Auto concerns or needs addressed. No automotive teachers were present.

### Dual Credit-

Leyden arrange for on-site testing

RB- currently setting up times for culinary and hopefully Tech

Auto, Drafting/CAD

Ridgewood- not set-up

Proviso West- applications were filled out and now it's beyond him

Elmwood Park- Marketing/Accounting offerings

OPRF- students must have arranged for testing

### Action Items- Research potential business partnerships to be shared at Feb. Meeting

Schools are encouraged to continue reaching out to businesses to work on partnerships and collaborative opportunities.

Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>- TMA- Matt Sullivan of Lake Park – Educator’s Roundtable | This is something that Leyden teachers have attended in the past and is worth the time for manufacturing teachers.