

ELTR-CARP Advisory Committee

Date: 12/4/14

Called to order: 4:45 p.m.

Adjourned: 6:00 p.m.

Chairperson: Michael Cranney

Person completing report: Maria Gutierrez

Members present from industry: Jesse and Jannette Dudley, Doug Keaty, Ernest Sanchez, and Frank Little

Members present from CNM: Eric Barros, John Bronisz, Michael Cranney, Carlos Nevarez, Maria Niesel, Victoria Ojeda, and Joseph Hirschfeld

Next scheduled meeting: TBD

I. Lab Tours: Members were given a tour of the ELTR and CARP labs.

II. Welcome and Introductions: Michael Cranney welcomed everyone and introductions were made.

II. Minutes: Not reviewed

III. Reports:

- **Denise Ojeda** addressed the members to get feedback on the labs and program curriculum and addressed the members in taking a more active role in advisory meetings so that the programs would be more in alignment with what is being used in the industry and students are ready for the workforce once they complete the program.
 - **Doug Keaty** felt the Electrical Program curriculum was in alignment with the current trends, but could benefit from classes in remodel, as well as new construction. He said that new construction is at a low and remodel/retrofit is what is taking place at the moment. Also, students needed work on soft skills.
 - **Carlos Nevarez** would like to see more instruction in smart technology, advanced electrical technology, remodels and retrofit instruction. Also, make internships available to students.
 - **John Bronisz** spoke to the members on how they would like members to assist in helping CNM build curriculums that would benefit the student and industry needs.
 - **Michael Cranney** emphasized the importance of industry partnerships through advisory meetings and would like to see members play a more active role in the programs through feedback on what is working and what is not, curriculum overview, and classroom presentation visits from industry.
 - **Jesse Dudley** suggested that students get involved in the industry through the different associations related to the construction industry. He also felt that reverse prospecting would help students become more connected to their career.

- **Ernest Sanchez** said that the issue he sees at PNM is low math scores along with interviewing skills. He also said that current PNM employees have an edge over other people trying to get into PNM because PNM hires mostly internally or through Workforce Solutions. Also, the large amount of electricity that is being worked with at PNM is very intimidating not to mention the type of equipment. Anyone coming into PNM would have to start as a meter reader and work their way up through their program internally.
- Members were impressed with the labs and thought CNM was doing a good job at educating construction trades.

IV. Old Business

- No old business

V. New Business

- No new business

VI. Adjournment Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.; no Spring 2015 meeting was scheduled.

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