Welding Advisory Committee

Date: April 25, 2013

Called to order: 4:15pm  Adjourned: 5:10pm

Chairperson: Jim Berry  Person completing report: Steven Piatetsky

Members present from industry: None, Daniel Tang (Valley High School)

Members present from CNM: Jim Berry, John Bronisz, Lisa Chakos-Knapp, Donna Fastle, Ron Hackney, Kay Hamby, Alonzo Hess, Theresa Torres

Next scheduled meeting: To be determined

I. Welcome/Introductions:

- Introductions all around

II. Minutes:

- Reviewed minutes from October 25, 2012 – reviewed and accepted

III. Reports:

- Lisa C-K asked for key industry/union contacts in order to encourage them to join our advisory
- Students able to earn a certificate, and continue to earn an AAS degree – small percentage go on to BS degree
- Job opportunities in Albuquerque are low paying in contrast to surrounding states
- Dual credit student numbers are low – most come from Rio Grande High School
  - We get students that have opted out of the dual credit program
  - Working on Moriarty dual enrollment program in Welding
- All classes for summer Welding classes are filled
- New Machines – TIG Welders – Millers and Lincolns
  - Air cooled vs water cooled – minimize ongoing maintenance and repairs
- Ventilation in TC 138 – approved for design in master plan last budget year - hoping to move forward
- New Pipe class started last year – 100% passed CSME – 10 students certified
- CNM Donations
  - Hispano Chamber of Commerce – centerpieces for their annual gala
  - Bernalillo County – four trashcan receptacles
- 100% placement of graduates procured jobs
- Won SkillsUSA in all three events – sculpting, welding and team fabrication
IV. Old Business:
- Student Scholarship - Ron Hackney Excellence Award
- Tool fee – WELD 1062 Welding Fundamentals no longer has a required tool fee. Students will now purchase on their own as needed.

V. New Business:
- Welcome Daniel Tang from Valley High School
  - CNM glad to assist with welding training, donation of scrap metal, contacts, information, demonstrations, etc.

VI. Adjournment: 5:10pm