



Imperial Valley College

**AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY
Local Program Advisory Committee**

ADOPTED MINUTES

Wednesday, December 10, 2014

**Industrial Technology Department
Room 1101**

BUSINESS/INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Marco Aranda, O'Reilly Auto Parts	Alex Morales, Schaeffer Oil (Chair)
Ronnie Garrie, Imperial Irrigation District	Jose Perez, J& D Auto Repair
Daniel Llamas, D& L Auto	Dennis Sprong, Snap On Tools
Abraham Manjarrez, Pep Boys Auto Repair	Larry Teran, O'Reilly Auto Parts

IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Dr. Nicholas Akinkuoye, VP for Academic Services	David Martinez, Automotive Instructor
Carlos Araiza/Part-Time Instructor	Jose Plascencia, Counselor
Frances Arce-Gomez, Recording Secretary	Ricardo Pradis, Automotive Instructor
Kristen Gomez, Counselor	Efrain Silva, Dean of Economic and Workforce Development
Jose Lopez, ITEC Chair	Peter Vallejo, IVC Student

- I. **Call to Order**
The meeting was called to order by Alex Morales at 12:15 pm.
- II. **Welcome**
Alex Morales welcomed all members in attendance.
- III. **Introductions**
All members present introduced themselves.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes Dated May 14, 2014**
M/S/C Dennis Sprong /Marco Aranda to approve the minutes of May 14, 2014 as presented.
- V. **Automotive Technology Program Update**
Jose Lopez reported the following:
 - **Spring 2015 Schedule:** The spring 2015 schedule has been developed using the Automotive Technology program pathways. The class schedule is flexible and offers day and evening classes.

- ASE Exams: Exams are still being offered through contract education. Applicants need to complete the registration process online at www.ase.com.

VI. Industry Input

Jose Lopez and Ricardo Pradis asked the committee for their input. Their input was the following:

Marcos Aranda asked why diesel technology and welding technology courses are being cut. He added that the demand for diesel technology mechanics is high. Dr. Nicholas Akinkuoye responded that the welding program is not being cut. He also stated that the diesel technology program has been developed and the program has been approved internally. Yet, IVC is still waiting for the state to approve the program.

Alex Morales asked if courses are being offered in Spanish. Efrain Silva responded that teaching courses in Spanish is prohibited. Courses are taught in English unless it's a Spanish or foreign language course.

Larry Teran offered to help promote the Diesel Technology program.

VII. Other

Dr. Akinkuoye thanked everyone for taking the time to attend the meeting.

VIII. Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place in spring 2015.

IX. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by Alex Morales at 1:00 p.m.