



Diesel Power Technology

Advisory Committee

Spring 2024

Meeting Date: March 5, 2024
Time: 12:15pm
Location: Kishwaukee College

Agenda

I. Welcome

II. Program Update

- a. Spring 2025 Enrollment
 - College up 11.3% credit hours over Spring 2024. Pre-Covid Levels
 - DPT at 571 credit hours in Spring 2025.
 - 14.2% increase over Spring 2024 (71 credit hours = 4.7 Full-time equivalent)
- b. Upcoming Events
 - Informational Meetings for Fall 2025 (held at the Kish Caukin Building)
 - Thursday, March 20th at 7:00pm
 - Monday, March 31st at 7:00pm
- c. SkillsUSA Regionals
 - 18 competed at Regionals in Diesel Equipment; Power Equipment; Heavy Equipment
- d. Facilities, Equipment, Supplies, and Needs

III. Department Initiatives

- a. REV UP – EV Heavy-Duty Grant Update
 - Equipment & Supplies
 - Curriculum Changes
- b. CDL for DPT Students – piloted in Jan 2025 for 7 students; Future: April, May, June
- c. AED Foundation Accreditation – on hold until fall 2025

IV. Employer Feedback & Discussion

- a. Interview Day Debrief
 - Student Preparation
 - Event Feedback
- b. Promotional Banners and Foundation Fund
- c. Industry Update/Employer Needs
 - Trends – Industry Shifts? New/emerging needs/technology? Regulatory?
 - Hiring – Employment Needs? Open Positions?
 - Skills – In-demand skills in industry? Recommended credentials/certifications?
 - Technology and Tools – Any new trends with new tech, vehicles, and tools?
 - Kish Graduate/Students – How are our graduates and students doing?

V. Next Meeting Date

- a. Thursday, November 6, 2025 at 6:30pm at Kish work?