

Automotive Advisory Council Minutes
Annual Lab/Equipment Evaluation

May 4, 2006

A meeting of the Automotive Advisory Council was held on May 4, 2006 at 7:00 P.M. in the automotive shop at York Technical College. Members in attendance included Mark Abercrombie of Adesa Auto Auctions, Claude Lawson of the South Carolina Department of Transportation, Mark Hughes owner of Hughes Auto and Truck (CarQuest), Jason Currence and Danny Clinton from Clover High School, and Chuck Greene, Jim Currence, and Jamey Abercrombie of York Technical College.

Refreshments were served and the meeting began at 7:00 P.M. as scheduled. The first order of business was the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting held on October 11, 2005. The minutes were approved as read by all members in attendance.

The second order of business was the lab/equipment evaluation. Each member was given an evaluation sheet that covered the eight areas of instruction that are recognized by ASE. Under each area of instruction the members were asked to evaluate if the equipment met the needs of the class and list any areas where additional equipment may be needed.

The evaluation sheets were returned with the following suggestions. The two old lifts in the D building shop need to be updated. One additional lift in G building needs to be purchased. A new transmission jack is needed in D building. The 134-A recycling machine is getting old and needs to be replaced. A Freon Identifier would be useful to protect a new 134-A machine. A road force tire balancer should be bought to replace the current tire balancer and a new tire machine that can do the larger tires on new cars. A newer model alignment rack is needed to better reflect the type being used in industry. The battery load tester in G building also needs to be updated.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 and copies of the evaluation forms have been included in the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

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