Automotive Advisory Committee March 14, 2017

ATTENDANCE Bill Burris, Vermilion Chevrolet; Nick Chatterton, VVEDS; Gary

Dodge, Mobile Diagnostics; Eric Hagley, Carmack Cars; Dave Kietzmann, DACC; Gary Knight, Carmack Cars; Brian Mackiewcz, Rahn Equipment; Jeff Markwalder, Jeff's Garage; Chris Rahn, Rahn Equipment; Bruce Rape, DACC; Dan Seyfert, Jeff's Garage; Charles Shepard, DACC; Jane Shutes, Community Wholesale Tires; Mike Shutes, DACC; Jason Toellner, Carmack Cars; Pete Unewitz, Pete's

Auto Parts; Eldon Wright, Wrights Motor Co.

REPORTS No new reports

OLD BUSINESS No old business to report

NEW BUSINESSMike introduced the program, talked about why we meet and about the

degree we offer. There was discussion of soft skills as well as proficiency in math. Adding in hybrid or electric cars would be great, but they are hard to obtain, if the local businesses could help out with that it could

give our students some exposure.

Carmack Cars is interested in possibly starting an apprenticeship program modeled after the one DACC provides for Thyssen-Krupp. Jason Toellner also volunteered to come speak to students about the

skills needed to work in the auto industry.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR The members were interested in possibly participating in job fair.

Bill Burris said that his business looks for a moldable employee capable

of learning that they can supply support to.

DATE of NEXT MEETING TBD

MINUTES SUBMITTED by: Respectfully submitted,

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