

**WELDING ADVISORY BOARD**  
**March 22, 2019**  
**Copper Penny Room**

**ATTENDANCE**

Terri Cummings, Tim Foley, Mike Jaruseski, Dave Kietzmann, Larry Moss, Dr. Stephen Nacco, Cristin Prince, R.J. Rowland, Tim Scarlett, Doug Swanson, Jedd Swisher

**REPORTS**

R.J. gave an overview of the program changes. The two certificates can now be completed in one year with 8-week welding courses.

New equipment has been added to the program this year with new booths, positioners, and tables.

**OLD BUSINESS**

No Old Business to Report

**NEW BUSINESS**

There are welding apprenticeships available through the Department of Labor with WIOA funding. Apprenticeships allow the participating company to have 50% of starting wages for the new employee paid for the first 6 months. It also pays for the student's classes, books/supplies, child care, tools, and mileage to school.

R.J. would like to make DACC an accredited test facility for welding.

**ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR**

The members discussed the efficacy of using alternate fuels; it was recommended to expose the students to propane and natural gas exposure.

There are many opportunities for welders worldwide. Teaching the trails of welding is recommended: resistance, ARC, spot, seam, projection and flash/butt welding. Welding programmers for Robotic welding is also on the rise.

Larry Moss from Automation International took a particular interest in DACC's program and toured our facility. He offered a donation of welding material and a DVD that shows the welding process for students.

**DATE of NEXT MEETING**

TBD

**MINUTES SUBMITTED by:**

Respectfully submitted,

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