

FAME Pipeline Committee Meeting MINUTES  
March 8, 2013 – GW Lisk

The meeting was held at G.W. Lisk and convened at 8:36AM.

In Attendance: Dan Gersbach, Karen Springmeier, Bob Lasch, Eileen Rucinski, Andrea Badger, Ray Giamartino, Jeanine Gallina, John Perry, Pet Boldt, Scott Hammond, Bill Rotenberg, Yvette Pagano, Jeff Carson, Jeannie Brockmyre, Jeff Dillon, Charlie Crumb, Rick Murphy

Eileen began the meeting with introductions and welcomed new attendees.

The minutes from the prior meeting were reviewed.

Eileen discussed the fact that she, Jeff Dillon, and Jeanine Gallina had met to review the response cards from the FAME event held at MCC. She reviewed some of the key points that were identified in those responses

- ✓ It was identified that classroom teachers are not aware of opportunities available to them
- ✓ One thing that was identified was that there needed to be more, and better, partnering between the schools and businesses.
- ✓ Eileen stated that the results of the feedback and action plans needed to be sent back to the attendees so that they are aware that the comments were reviewed and some action is being taken.

Dan talked about the importation of going to school boards and discussing the importance of trades training. He went on to talk about the training program at Lisk.

- ✓ There were 10 participants in the last session and there are 16 in this session
- ✓ They will award one high school scholarship for the program.
- ✓ Andrea said that they have 45 applications for the program starting in September.
- ✓ Dan also talked about tuition reimbursement availability.

Jeanine discussed the event that the Greece Central School District held to talk about job opportunities and different pathways for students.

Eileen also discussed that one of the initiatives that has been identified is the importance of getting the word out to parents and schools about the jobs and opportunities that Advanced Manufacturing has to offer.

Bob Lasch talked about the High Tech Expo and that that would be a great event for school superintendents to attend and that information about the event will be sent to the superintendents and school districts.

Jeanine, Charlie Crumb, and Ray will form a sub-committee to develop a one-page information sheet regarding the opportunities to be distributed.

Andrea talked about the video being done on the graduates of the Lisk program.

Another initiative identified for the Pipeline Committee is to have a SAME program in Wayne County for the Summer of 2013.

John suggested providing the students in the SAME program with T-Shirts and that Kelley has some.

The third initiative identified for the Pipeline Committee is the Company Tours. The packet that was developed by Eileen and Jeanine was passed out for review.

Karen, Eileen, Jeff, Marissa, Jean and Jeanine will be on that subcommittee.

Karen talked about the Finger Lakes Works With Their Hands event and video.

Southco volunteered for schools to be able to tour, and the possibility for transportation costs. They would be willing to allow classes, parents, counselors, etc. to tour.

It was also mentioned that companies participating in the High Tech Expo will have sign-up sheets for people to take tours.

Bill talked about National Manufacturing Day and possibly having schools tour on that day.

Yvette Pagano mentioned that she is now the President for RTMA. Jeanine asked if RTMA may be interested in providing some of the funding for SAME.

Eileen talked about the possibility of companies offering summer employment opportunities for teachers.

There was a discussion about the Four County Tech and Engineering Teachers Association.

Eileen mentioned that April 19<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00am, is the Joint Meeting and it will be held at Monroe 1.

Bill provided an update on the grant. He mentioned that there were a number of students from Gates-Chili interested in the grant and he is going out there to do a presentation.

March 21<sup>st</sup> is the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Skills Day at Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES.

*I had to leave at 10:20 and the meeting was still occurring but note taking stopped.*