

FAME Pipeline Committee Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2013 at FLCC's Victor Campus Ctr

Intern Opportunities and Co-op Opportunities – Sam Samanta

There are many college intern/co-op opportunities for FLCC students. Sam provided all attendees with a list of companies that actually host his interns and co-ops as a reference. Any students/parents/grandparents who are interested in the engineering/manufacturing programs at FLCC should contact Sam. Sam would be more than happy to provide a tour or meet with a potential student/family at a moment's notice. Sam's email: samantpg@flcc.edu

2013 Pipeline Initiatives

FAME needs to be known and utilized in more school and business settings. Awareness can be increased in schools by finding ways to educate parents, not just students. Ideas include starting exposure to FAME careers at an earlier age (career days and tours) as well as at unique venues, like sporting events. Since meeting, FAME has been invited to attend both the Pal-Mac HS and MS open house events that take place in September and early October of 2013. They will have a table so that those who do attend will become more familiar with what FAME is and how they can help.

Guidance counselors are a key audience who need to be reached. Idea is to invite area guidance counselors to attend the first hour of a FAME meeting so they can learn more. Ideally, it would be great to get both guidance counselors and subject area teachers to tour FAME companies to get a firsthand experience about what type of work goes on, and what types of classes/skills are needed.

Regarding businesses, many companies are members but are not exactly 'active'. FAME needs to find ways to keep members active with their initiatives and recognize the benefits.

School Updates

Pal-Mac – Still doing shadows, internships, HS career fairs, and continuing new initiative of adding career exploration/awareness to all ages in the district. (Held career days for Primary School and Intermediate School this past year.) 2013-14 school year will include all of the same, along with a special career skills day for 6th grade students at our Middle School taking place on October 10. Field trips for technology classes will continue – usually 3-4 per year.

Williamson – New superintendent will most likely be allowing field trips next year – YES! Other experiences, such as shadows and career fair will remain the same.

BOCES – Monroe seems to be doing very well. Students are going on after the program to have well-paid jobs or going for additional schooling/training. Wages ranged up to \$16 (?) per hour for students, which is quite high for the high school age! Each year programs are still full.

Jeff Dillon's position has been reduced from what it was this past year. (Do not have all details.)