

**Technology and Industry Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes November 28, 2005**

Meeting was held at Cascade High School, room 420. Commenced at 5:15 PM

Members present:

Carl Fender, Kevin Grayum, Jim Johnson, Rick Sullivan,
Bill Truit, Rick Wigre

Murray Reid emailed regrets

Introductions

Carl Fender - CHS A+, Cisco, Tech Lab, CTE Administrator

Kevin Grayum – JHS Drafting, InfoTech, CHS Drafting

Jim Johnson – CHS Video Production

Rick Sullivan, - Community member Ind. Film Producer

Bill Truit – JHS Yearbook, Photography, Video Production

Rick Wigre – JHS Visual Communications, Graphic Arts, InfoTech

Elect chairperson for next two years if needed

Tabled to next meeting.

Only one community member present.

Chair must be community member, not school staff.

Develop a plan for breaking out into subject specific groups for a portion of subsequent meetings.

The committee agreed that all future meeting agendas will include a twenty minute breakout for meeting in industry specific groups. Groups will be dependent upon the industries represented by the members present. Purpose is for ‘shop talk’ on software, hardware, techniques, trends, etc.

CISCO – Is this a course that Everett Public Schools should continue to offer?

Enrollment / student interest in Cisco has declined. When first offered interest was high because students could get networking jobs with just Cisco certification. Job market has changed, so has Cisco course. Both demand more, higher level training and education to be employable. Cisco is expensive program to offer due to fixed fee for the program from Cisco. Low enrollment = high per pupil cost. Cost effectiveness must be considered. Enrollment drives programs.

Options are to drop the Cisco course altogether, or combine it with the A+ course. Its unlikely students in a combined course would achieve Cisco certification. Cisco component would be more of an intro to network systems. Few students currently earn certification. The course requires students with high level of motivation and determination.

No decision on this discussion topic.

All CTE programs will feel impact of WASL graduation requirement. Students will be scheduled into WASL remediation courses, limiting their elective choices.

Industry standard discussion Part 1

A general discussion about expectations for entry level employees in technical fields. Centered mostly around film production as this was the industry represented by community member present. It was agreed that the expectations discussed would be generally applicable to all fields.

- Show up

- Show up on time

- Work the whole time

- Follow directions

- Keep eyes open, and be aware of when co workers could need help.

- Dress appropriately for conditions

 - Working indoors / outdoors? Physical / desk work?

 - Appearance / dress important? Depends on circumstances

 - Neat and clean always

- Know basic skills

- High degree of tech knowledge not usually required for entry level

- Show willingness to learn

Industry standard discussion Part 2

- Rolled into previous discussion

Upcoming meetings: February 27, 2006 and April 10, 2006