ADULT EDUCATION AND SKILLS  
DIVISION ADVISORY COMMITTEE  

Present: Dr. Susan McBride, Dr. Carol Bates, Kathleen Hall, Otis Thames, David Quarker, Carolyn Woods, Al Etheridge (SAWDC), Jessie Hayes (JD Student), Lawrence Goldsmith, Marshall Rogers (Escambia County Industrial Development Authority), Diane Williamson, (Escambia County Board of Education), Al Bennett, Chipper Staff, Mary Beth Lancaster, Bob Welling, and Cornelia Miller.

Not present: Jerry Ferrell, Mickey Cannon, Mayor Howard Shell, Peggie Byrd, Sara Skelton, and Hal Clements.

Members of the Adult Education and Skills Division Advisory Committee met on the Atmore Campus on October 20, 2009 at 4:30 p.m.

Business:

- Kathleen Hall called the meeting to order by welcoming everyone. She advised the committee that the purpose of the meeting was to approve the 2008-09 performance data for the Carl Perkins report. She pointed out that the data included students at Fountain and Holman Correctional sites as well as the free-world students in Atmore and Brewton. She advised that Ms. Lancaster would split the information in the areas that the data is available. Dean Hall advised that the State had set high target levels that often make it difficult to meet when including correctional students. She stated that JDCC appreciated the money to help with updating the technical programs.

- Dr. McBride welcomed everyone and explained how the advisory committees are beneficial to the college. She advised that this Carl Perkins money had been around since 1918 and how important it is to partner with committee members to decide how this money is allocated. She thanked everyone for their service on the advisory committee as well as any input they might have for the Carl Perkins Report.

- Mary Beth Lancaster provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining the completed 2008-2009 Performance Report. Ms. Lancaster discussed each measure which included the targeted level of performance as well as JDCC’s level of performance for the data collection period. She explained steps that JDCC intends to take in order to improve areas that fell below the targeted level of performance.

  o Areas of discussion were:
  o Measure 4P1: Percent of career/technical education completers employed, in military, or apprenticeship programs in the 2nd quarter following the program year in which they left the program. Dean Hall stated that this information was provided by the Department of Industrial Relations. She pointed out that while most of our technical programs are in the correctional setting, there are some
correctional students that are reported as being employed. The Department of Industrial Relations gets this information by tracking social security numbers.

- Al Bennett provided a brief overview of Workforce Development. Mr. Bennett stated that the Workforce Development classroom could accommodate up to 60 people and that the new computer lab and Smart classroom could accommodate 20 people. He stated that training opportunities have been slow this year due to the economic situation. Companies tend to cut back on training before they make cuts in other areas. He stated that training has been provided this year for the following companies: Georgia Pacific, Masland Carpets, PCI Gaming, Escambia County Extension Services, D. W. McMillan and Escambia County Bank. Mr. Bennett said that JDCC has completed a welding grant that will be presented for approval in January. He stated that welding was a high demand occupation today. This welding class will be predominately aluminum welding, but some steel welding would be incorporated. Mr. Bennett advised that JDCC had partnered with Reid State Technical College on numerous occasions to provide needed training. He stated that a CNC training program (MasterCam) would begin next Friday, October 30th. This will be a four week short course. He stated that there is a high demand for industrial training. He stated that Muskogee had 8 mills, 8 lathes, and 2 CNC machines on site for training. This training will be offered through Reid State Technical College.

- Cornelia Miller, Director of Adult Education, gave a brief overview of the adult education program. She stated that we now have 13 programs going. In 2008-09, a total of 437 students were served in the adult education program. Ms. Miller stated that 101 of these students successfully passed the GED test. She stated that JDCC had met their goals of serving 400 students and having 100 pass the GED.

There being no further business, Dean Hall thanked all committee members for their attendance and input into the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Woods