Electrical Power Technology Business Partnership Council Meeting

November 8, 2012 5pm – 6:30pm

Palm Beach State College, Palm Beach Gardens Campus, BioScience Building, Room SC149

Present:

Ahmad Ababneh, FPL
Rob Von Stralendorff, Agilis
Sharon Long, Florida Turbine Technologies
Jim Fischetti, Sikorsky
Xaviar Bennett, Sikorsky
Bob Van Der Velde, Palm Beach State College
Jay Matteson, Palm Beach State College
Oleg Andric, Palm Beach State College

Oleg provided the overview of the program curriculum, program learning outcomes, and general state of the program. The Business Partnership Council reviewed the curriculum changes implemented according to the plan made at the last meeting. Current program curriculum was agreed to be what the industry expects at this moment. The sequence of courses was reviewed as well, and it was proposed and agreed to implement the following changes: for EET1215C Introduction to Electronics change co-requisite EET1025C AC Circuits to being a pre-requisite; for EST2520C Process Measurement Fundamentals, which was re-activated this academic year, add EET1215C Introduction to Electronics as pre-requisite; and for EST2530C Process Control Technology add ETS2520C Process Measurement Fundamentals as pre-requisite.

Oleg presented a need for additional LabView training, and Sharon suggested that she would try to find a potential instructor for LabView workshop in Florida Turbine Technology. Also discussed was participation in Business Development Board of Palm Beach County, and John suggested to boost our presence at Manufacturing Taskforce Luncheon. John said Sikorsky would bring things manufactured by EPT interns in Sikorsky to the luncheon to be displayed in EPT booth.

Program enrollment, graduation, and placement figures were presented with emphasis on new student placement in aerospace industry. Finally, Eve, a student assistant for Environmental Science program, presented her program to BPC for EPT, and John and Ahmad showed interest in Environmental Sciences program.