

**NCTC General Advisory Committee Meeting Summary**  
**12 Noon, February 24, 2000**  
**Room 134**

**Present:** Rocky Amermann, Maryel Anderson, Jim Dalager, Marie Hvidsten, Laura Landin, Dan Olson, Wally Sparby, Terri Staples, Don Stewart, Phil Dyrud.

**Absent:** Darla Twomey, Ron Ray

Orley Gunderson called the meeting to order and committee members introduced themselves. He explained the function of the General Advisory Committee and responsibilities of the members. He stated that the committee could be expanded if needed, and the membership would be considered lifetime, or until members requested to be removed. The function of the committee is to provide feedback to the college administration on issues concerning the college as a whole.

The proposed Vision, Mission, and Core Values established by the college were reviewed and discussed. Various committee members offered recommendations to consider for changes to the Vision Statement: One member suggested using the term "world-class" in the statement; Members stated that the vision statement should imply the continuous evaluation of the curriculum, staying abreast with our changing world, cutting edge technology, responding to industry's needs, keep it simple and short. Suggestions relayed by the committee would be brought to the college-wide leadership team for consideration.

Orley Gunderson reviewed the history and progress of the nearly completed Phase I construction project.

NCA Coordinator Kathy Burlingame explained the North Central Accreditation process and the possibility of some members being contacted by the NCA Evaluator Team. Committee members were also encouraged to respond to a "request for public comment" from the NCA office regarding the college's programs and services. The NCA on-site evaluation visit is scheduled for April 10-12.

Tom Quinn reported on the development of new programs: Computer Information Systems, Internet Marketing, Business Software Support, Computer Animation, and Industrial Electronics.

Election of Chair: Wally Sparby was nominated as Chairman and selected by a unanimous vote.

Dr. Gunderson requested that committee members feel free to contact him if questions or concerns regarding the college arise in the community. He stated he would be interested in meeting with individual committee members to discuss any topics that were of interest to them.

The meeting was adjourned and concluded with a tour of the new Student Services Consolidation Project, which was scheduled for occupancy in mid-March.

Summary recorded by Cindy Cedergren