Welcome and Introductory Remarks
Bob Biesiedzinski welcomed the group and everyone made their introductions.

Approval of minutes from fall ‘08 meeting
The minutes of November 18, 2008 were approved as typed.

Lunch was served @11:40 a.m.

Graduation
Graduation plans were discussed and the event is scheduled for June 9, 2009, in the Automotive Showroom with a starting time of 6:30 pm. There will be 6 graduates. Four (4) of them are finishing the program and two (2) of them finished in December, 2008.
Each graduate will be allowed to bring two (2) family members and there will be faculty and staff. American Honda will be supporting the gifts and Bob would like to see the service managers attend the campus graduation. We will be sending out the invites. Support from the dealership, as well as the students’ families, is a great boost to the students’ sense of accomplishment.

Current program enrollment status
There are 11 students enrolled in the program for Spring, 2009. Eight of them are currently employed and one has been laid off from Renton Honda. Bob told the group that he had resumes of the students who are looking for work at the dealerships. Bob passed out paperwork with the information on the students who are not currently employed and what they are looking for. Bob passed out a survey form asking the attending service managers what their anticipated employment needs will be for the next two academic years.

Economy and the impact on Honda PACT
The Automotive staffing here at Shoreline Community College has not been impacted but the State is making drastic cuts in education starting with job reductions beginning in June, 2009. According to Susan Hoyne, Division Dean, when the budgets come out, there will be no more than 12% cuts in job reduction. With the stimulus packet, there will be more money in workforce. We are hoping to go into electric and hybrid classes. Lee Lambert, President of Shoreline Community College, is in D.C. right now testifying for community colleges.

Building construction has begun
The construction has started and Don Schultz gave a special thanks to the Honda Dealers for their $500,000 donation for the automotive remodel. A total of $4.2 million was raised. The bid went out in January. There were 21 contractors who bid on it and the award went to Sierra Construction. The project is due to be completed September, 2009. The automotive building will have a total of 58,000 square feet.

PACT Dynamic Curriculum
Shoreline Community College’s PACT Program has already implemented the Dynamic Curriculum Program with the start of the spring quarter 2009, 3/30/09. The Dynamic Curriculum Information sheet and PACT Certificate Sheet were passed out by Bob. We have modified our current program and are better filling the dealer’s needs. The training center requires 80% self study training. Every month there is an instructor conference regarding the Honda curriculum. Prerequisites must be completed. With a 1 year certificate you can become a Service Advisor; 2 year associate degree, a Service Manager and with a 4 year degree, a General Manager. Everyone has taken the test and passed. 70% of skills have been completed. How expensive is it for the dealer to train a tech? To send a tech to Portland to get trained cost approximately $47,000. This is a tremendous amount of money for the dealership to put towards training an auto tech. Receiving auto tech training at Shoreline Community College seems to be the best way to get training. When the student gets out, they seem to have a better work ethic because when they go to college, they seem to work with pride. Students in the PACT Program
go through 22 months of training. College training is the better of the two and it is the least expensive way to go. As for the future of the PACT program nationwide, a body shop program may likely be added and the PACT program is expanding.

**AYES State Manager**
Ron Olson, first of all, gave thanks to Bob Biesiedzinski for doing a fine job with SkillsUSA here at the college. Meadowdale High School held 6 places in the contest. Ron stated that we are in a period of change. Greg Pardee, Acura of Bellevue, said he had the number one tech in the nation.

**Other Discussion**
Bob Biesiedzinski said we need to focus on getting more dealerships. The question was also raised – Is there a need for management courses? Steve Roberts commended Bob on being hands on and said he was an “amazing man”. Bob passed out resumes of 3 of 4 students who are looking for work.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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