

Ozarka College

Adult Education Advisory Committee

November 13, 2007

11:00 a.m.

John E. Miller Building, Room 118

The Adult Education Advisory Committee met Tuesday, November 13, at 11:00 a.m. in Room 118 of the John E. Miller Building. Members present included Leland Jackson, Ann Moser, James Miller, Carolyn McCurley, and Paul Weaver. Others attending were Wayne Wilson, Sandra Miller, Trish Miller, Kendall Morrison, Debbie Yancey, Kelly Powell, and Dr. Mike DeLong.

Wayne opened the meeting and expressed appreciation for members taking time from their busy schedules to come.

Discussion on updates throughout the year included new leadership at state level, budget, effective and efficient report, and core indicators.

Lobbying and lobbyists for Adult Ed were discussed along with the impact of the Adult Ed programs. Statistics from the 2000 census indicate that there are over 380,000 adults in the state without a high school diploma, emphasizing the need Adult Education meets in the state.

Trish Miller discussed the Work keys/Key Train/Career Pathway programs and what benefits and training opportunities they will bring to our students.

Graduation ceremonies will be May 8 with a possible reception for GED graduates following in the lobby of the Adult Education Building.

Last year, 203 students attained their GED through Ozarka College. This is an overall 80% pass rate.

Ozarka gave out over \$21,000 in New Horizon Scholarships this year. We had 18 who achieved scholarship level. From 1/1/-11/13/07, we have 15 students at scholarship level. We also boast having the top GED scorer in the state for 2006.

We are scheduled to have a site visit from the state office in the spring. They have a checklist of items they will use to evaluate our program. The staff of the Adult Education Department is meeting weekly to make sure we have everything in order for the visit.

The meeting adjourned at noon and a luncheon prepared by Culinary Arts students was enjoyed by all.