

Southern California Regional Occupational Center

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

October 17, 2016

COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITION

Superintendent St. Gean recognized Terry Castillo, who teaches Certified Medical Assisting, for her 25 years of service to SoCal ROC.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT

Dr. Helaire, Executive Director, introduced the Automotive Technician Modules I-IV and Engine Performance Instructor, Aaron Le.

Mr. Le commented that he began working at the Center five years ago as a part-time evening instructor and two years ago he became full time, teaching all sections of the Automotive Modules and Engine Performance programs. Mr. Le shared that prior to working at SoCal ROC he worked for both Honda and BMW.

Mr. Le stated that the automotive department truly reflects an industry environment providing students with the knowledge and experiences necessary to be successful as automotive technicians. Mr. Le emphasized that in the Automotive Technician Modules I- IV students learn engine repair, brakes, steering and suspension, transmission, and electrical. In the Engine Performance class students learn the theory of operations, and the basic diagnostic procedures required to restore engine performance. Both programs are aligned with ASE (Automotive Service Excellence) and are accredited by NATEF (National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation) and AYES ((Automotive Youth Educational Systems).

President Waller presented Aaron Le with a Board Certificate of Excellence.



(l-r) Bill Watkins, Brad Waller, Terry Castillo, Alice Grigsby, Terry Ragins, Ellen Rosenberg, and Laurie St. Gean



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STUDENT VOICES



(l-r) Bill Watkins, Alice Grigsby, Brad Waller, Joshua Wolfe, Aaron Le, Ellen Rosenberg, and Terry Ragins

Dr. Helaire, Executive Director introduced Joshua Wolfe, adult student and recent graduate of Redondo Union High School, 2015.

Joshua Wolfe commented that he started attending SoCal ROC during his senior year of high school. Joshua shared that his love for cars is what motivated him to attend the automotive courses at the Center. Currently, Joshua is in the fourth and final module of the automotive program. Joshua credits his success thus far to the amazing training at SoCal ROC. Joshua stated that his future plans are to become an Automotive Instructor.

President Waller presented Joshua Wolfe with a Board Certificate of Excellence.

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