

# Board Meeting Notes

November 19, 2015

Attendance: John, Karen, Ken, Kate, James, Luke

Absent Board Members: Timm

## Updates

- **Finances and membership (John)**
  - Current members: 38, including 2 desk rentals, and 2 scholarships.  
**---> All members are welcome to full details from the Treasurer's Report - join us for a monthly board meeting!**
    - MG&E bill went down via rate decrease!  
"An interim fuel credit of \$0.00256 per kilowatt-hour now applies to MGE electric customers' bills. The credit began Sept. 1, 2015, and is scheduled through Dec. 31, 2016. ...This credit is due to a change in our variable fuel costs for electric generation and for purchased power. The cost of fuel to generate electricity has decreased."
  - Rent payment was set up as an autopay through UW Credit Union, who will issue a paper check on 25th of the month.
  - MG&E bill was set up as an auto-withdrawal from our bank, starting in Nov.
  
- **501c3 (John)** - It was approved by feds!! We're officially a non-profit.
  - Tony forwarded a link to the WalMart Community Fund, plus there will be others. Suggestions on finding someone who wants to grant-write?
  
  - We should create a set of receipts for donations, with our logo/name, etc.

## New Business

- **CoWorking Space Ideas**
  - From Karen: CNC lab for half of it?
    - Approved - if existing tenants are ok with it, half of the coworking space will be turned into 3d printing & vinyl cutting space.
  - Suggestions from Summer based on her experience:
    - Let the Bodgery membership and the lease be separate. (*It's just messy to combine them and easier to move in and out of the space.*)
      - Board is approves this idea.
    - Maybe, to make money while they are idle, setup empty tables and rent by the day? \$5 a day for the table would let people like Sam leave their projects out. Obviously when they are rented monthly they aren't available.

- Good idea, but could be complicated, with paperwork, etc. No for now.
    - Setup some shelves and hanging space in an open stall for 'for sale' made items from the bodgery. Bodgery gets an x% commission etc. That way it's a mini gallery if its not rented.
      - Good idea, maybe not now.
- **Trash/Recycle Bins**
  - Added a trash bin
  - Set up protocol for taking them out?
    - Can we create an email script for that, plus “what are you working on?”
- **Board Review of New Member Orientation**
  - Location of paperwork/checklist, keyfob process, online pieces, etc
  - Proposal - remove \$5 key deposit, as often forgotten, rarely returned, and is a nice gesture to new members. Key fobs cost us 30 cents.
    - Approved
- **Set Costs for Consumables**
  - Welding rates: \$5/hr
  - Sign-creation assigned to...PotLock
- **Space Improvement Projects**
  - We should put together a wish-list of projects that would improve the space, with costs, and put them up for a priority vote.
- **Vacant Board Position**
  - We need to find someone willing to serve out Bill's term.
- **Security camera hard drive**
  - 3 TB or more, 7200RPM
  - Board says: approve \$80-\$100 buy, whatever size that buys

### Items from Last Meeting

- **Alumni Membership.**
  - Must be a unquestionable contribution to the space, with significant time invested, and no longer uses the space often.
    - One founding member given that “nostalgia benefit”
- **Scholarship discussion:**
  - Currently two, one stopped paying.

- Voted: repeal the non-paying one, offer that spot to another guest suggested at this meeting.

### **Upcoming Events**

- **Work Day (Pot-Lock)**
  - Saturday morning, Nov 21st.
  - Clean, decorate, fix, build, winterize, socialize
  - We need to assemble a to-do list for the above, with associated costs
  - Pre-purchase any build materials so they are ready day of
  - Let's turn this into a traditional event! "Blanket Raising Day"
  
- **(Orphan) Thanksgiving at The Bodgery**
  - Thursday, Nov 26th
  - Time? Ken will open doors on Thursday, and email the group about it.

### **Meeting Minutes**

7:00 pm - Begin. Finances update.

8:30 pm - Adjourn