

Board Meeting Agenda (and Notes)

May 17, 2018

*Attendance: Myranda, Grant, James, Sean, Roger, Sylvia, John, Gaelen, Jim
Board members missing: None*

Treasurer's Report

Member level composition

Current members: 126

- **Machine Shop Move Update** **Total final costs: redacted**
- Bill offered to split the truck rental fee with us, which would take *redacted* off that total.

Finances are redacted for the wiki. Please contact the board if you have questions about financial and membership details.

Board reviewed Consent Agenda above (Treasurer's Report)

Approved.

New Business

Change to the Bylaws about Extending Board Terms past limits

The members approved this change in a vote (27 - 2). Board voted to approve this change unanimously.

James requested to run for the board again, going past his term limit by one year. The board voted (minus James), and approved this request unanimously.

Upcoming fairs

Willy St. on Sept 15-16, 2018

Milwaukee Maker Faire on Sept 28-30

James requested approval from the board to spend funds on commissioning projects from members, to be used in our booth display. Board approved this.

John will sign up for the Milwaukee Maker Faire online. Bug him if he doesn't.

Dane.net update

Unfortunately, they had to move forward with finding a new office, so they will not be joining us at Oscar Mayer.

OM Update

John talked with the new architect for OM, about our use of the space. The conversation went well, and the architect shared some advice on arranging tool areas. There are still several steps that need to happen before a lease can be offered (engineering, occupancy type decisions, sewer and electric, etc).

Gaelen brought up concerns about potential speed bumps that could delay our arrival into the OM site, citing City and State requirements that must be met. The board and group discussed these concerns. Gaelen has found another building that he feels would work for our needs, and the group discussed the pros and cons of that site.

The group also talked about buying a building vs leasing, and creative ways that the Bodgery could leverage their assets, tap into City opportunities and incentives, to do so.

Gaelen offered to create a proposal, with a model of how the finances could look in buying.

The board and group agreed that Oscar Mayer should not be considered our only option for a new space, that if good opportunities emerge (either to lease or to buy), we should definitely pursue them.

Prior/Recurring Business

Board Elections

The Nominations are now open. John recommends making a "last call" for nominations (closing Friday evening), putting those nominations to a member vote (open for a week), and announcing the results at the end of voting. Ideally, the new board members would attend the June meeting as an introduction to board process before starting their terms July 1. Board approves this.

Wood Shop Proposal on Dust Collection

The board needs to get a detailed 'parts list' for the dust collection system in the new space before any commitments from the 'general fund' can be made.

The board looks forward to funding a dust collection system, as it benefits the entire shop.

→ Tabled

Membership Committee

Roger was approved to organize a Membership Committee, which will:

- Report to the board at monthly board meetings, and make recommendations for policy changes
- Be in charge of guest and new-member onboarding processes/policies
- Arrange with the board to designate people to make new key fobs. Non board members must be approved by the board.

→ Roger will recruit people to the new Membership Committee, and come back to the board in April with a proposed system and his recommendations for support/supplies.

→ Tabled

Meeting Adjourned at 9:12pm