

Spark Member Council



Meeting Agenda/Minutes
September 24, 2019

Member Council

Committee Chair: Casey Moran, Maritza Vargas, Mike Molinari

Formed 3/21/2018, Updated 5/2/2018

- This committee is formed to continue to strategize with the community on matters directly related to membership, including membership levels and responsibilities, member participation in the organization, ideas for income generation, volunteer management, and programming.
- The committee chair(s) may propose any policy changes directly to the Board of Directors, Executive Director, or other appropriate parties with the authority to implement such a change.
- No additional funding is authorized for this committee. Related costs within the existing budget must be approved by the Executive Director. Related costs not in the existing budget must be approved by the board.
- This committee shall be co-chaired by the Executive Director and the senior member representative on the Board of Directors. The junior member representative shall serve as Vice-Chair. Additional members may be added to or removed from the committee in a manner determined by the committee.

Chairs:

X Casey Moran

Maritza Vargas

X Mike Molinari

Attendees:

X Ashby Carlisle - Program

X Vic Filepp - A/V

Maritza Vargas - Chair

John Scimone - Electronics

Drew Gates - Electronics

X Mike Molinari - Electronics /Chair

X Valerie Gilson - Stained glass

Robert Hatcher - Small metals

Dan Flavin, - Woodshop

Jake Kaeser- Woodshop

Jonathan Roussin- Woodshop

Aly Maderson-Quinlog - Printmaking

Nike Desis - Printmaking

Melinda Quinn - Fiber arts

Winifred Bellefleur - Fiber arts

X Sherri Condon - Fiber arts

George Ryan - Coworking

X John Davis

X Casey Moran
Liisa Lang
Luis A Garcia
X Jessica Firinn
TJ
X Christopher R Bailey
X George Ryan

X = present

1. Call to Order - 6:22pm

2. Roll Call

3. Reading and approval of the minutes

July MOTION: By Sherri To approve meeting minutes from last 2 meeting.

SECONDED: Ashby VOTE: Unanimous

4. Action Items

5. Reports - 5 minutes

a. Executive Director Report (To be provided later)

i. Members: 107

ii. New Members: Josh Brown (Printmaking), Leon Edwards Long (AV), Mary Cryan (electronics, woodshop), Robert Palmer (woodshop), Sam Langshaw (woodshop), Thomas Kramer (electronics)

iii. Membership Revenue: \$3,584.95

iv. Class revenue since the last meeting: \$838

1. Stained Glass

a. 6 week \$380

b. Feathers \$228

2. Screen Printing

a. Intro \$230

b. Treasurer Report

1. Will be provided on the bulletin board next week.

Board update:

Compiling wishlist Items:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1pvmNLtWTB33T49KLKMCgraWsZ-GwMmU0ib-Y8lZgo5k/edit?usp=sharing>

Discussion and consensus about wishlist items to be sent to leads. Added to Casey's list by leads.

Anyone who can't Attend the member Council Meeting that Chairs a committee needs to send in a report before the meeting.

- c. Station report out
 - i. Electronics
 - 1. Laser class
 - 2. Make your own handheld game console.
 - ii. Woodshop
 - 1. Band saw class was run.
 - 2. Upcoming. Clean up and reorg of woodshop. Will need volunteers.
Planned for veterans day week end. Please remove unfinished projects.
 - iii. Fiber Arts
 - 1. Sewing machines are not scary class (2 people attended)
 - 2. Started intermediate class. (2 students)
 - 3. Watter watter everywhere!
 - 4. Possible need for more lead or volunteer support. Sherrie is spread thin.
 - iv. Stained glass
 - 1. October has been quiet.
 - 2. Finished last in sessions in series class.
 - 3. Upcoming classes are almost sold out or sold out.
 - 4. 3d star class coming soon.
 - v. Printmaking / Artspace
 - 1. Rolling mill printing press was donated.
 - 2. Intro to screen printing has been sold out.
 - 3. Collabs with non profits have been happening generating revenue.
 - 4. New drawing and painting lead, Brad Sheriden. He has been leading the drawing night for the past year.
 - 5. Small business saturday Nov 30, 2019
 - a. Will be selling prints made at community print night
 - b. Need volunteers to help sell prints
 - 6. Drawing, painting and printmaking meetup for space clean up in art area.
 - vi. Small metals
 - 1. Some usage.
 - 2. Possible need of more member support in this area.
 - vii. AV
 - 1. Stop stealing the mouse, And if you do plug it back in!
 - 2. People are now using the workstation.
 - viii. Coworking
 - 1. Keep it clean you filthy animals.
- d. Program Committee:
 - i. Classes have been going well.
 - 1. Most classes have been filling up
 - 2. Classes have doubled since last year.
 - ii. Cassey & Ashby meetings with stations:
 - 1. Electronics
 - 2. Small metals

- iii. Upcoming Classes:
 - 1. See callander
 - 2. Intro to screen printing
 - 3. Stained glass sold out
 - 4. 3d modeling for 3d printers
 - e. Spaceforce
 - i. Talk to Kristen.
 - f. Membership Committee -
 - i. Mike
 - 1. November 12 is the next meeting
 - g. Fundraising Committee-
 - i. Annual appeal is coming soon starting in November
 - ii. Intern working on appeal letter
 - iii. 8,000 in matching funds have been located. Our goal is to raise 30,000
 - iv. Charter oak is matching charter oaks member donations up to 500\$
 - v. Completing the reporting process for all the grants. Thank you Casey and Ashby.
 - vi. Tax exemption paperwork is coming along with George.
 - h. Halloween Committee
 - i. We made \$650 in profit from the pumpkin event. Woot!
 - ii. Goth prom is a go.
 - 1. Please Attend. No one is too sad not to be here.
 - 2. Makeup party happening prior to the event.
 - 3. Could still use volunteers to run event.

6. New Business

- a. Ashby is representing Spark in the new london arts council steering committee.
- b. Ashby brought up that we might want to look at changing the member advisory council from meeting every month to every other month. Should be discussed at the next meeting.

Unfinished Business

7. Announcements

- a. Next meeting: Nov 26, 2019
- b. Member Social PotLuck: Nov 5, 2019

8. Adjournment

- a. Meeting finished at : 7:14pm. MOTION: Ashby **SECONDED:** George
VOTE: Unanimous

ACTION ITEMS / Closed, Extended, Tabled

- 1. Casey
 - a. Focus on small metals.
 - b. Donation boxes will probably work better if they are located in the stations.
Example. When the boxes get made.
- 2. Michael molinari
 - a. Gift certificates. Make sure this topic is discussed at the membership recruiting committee.