

# Spark Member Council Meeting Minutes



Meeting Agenda - Minutes

**June 24, 2018**

**Chairs:**

John Scimone

Casey Moran

**Attendees:**

Ashby Carlisle - Programming

Vic Filepp - A/V

Drew Gates - Electronics

Mike Molinari - Electronics

xValerie Gilson - Stained glass

xKim Kantharaj - Small metals

xTim McGuire - Woodshop

xAly Maderson-Quinlog - Printmaking

Nike Desis - Printmaking

Melinda Quinn - Fiber arts

Winifred Bellefleur - Fiber arts

xSherri Condon - Fiber arts

George Ryan - Coworking

Liisa Lang - member

Zach Krause - member

Drew Bicknell - member

X = not present

**I. Call to Order - 2:08pm****II. Roll Call****III. Reading and approval of the minutes****IV. Reports of Standing Committees - 5 minutes****a. Special: Summer Melt (July 29) @ hygienic**

- i. Each workstation is working on an interactive wall
- ii. Walls will be going to NLMS for exhibition
  1. Electronics (hanging in plotter)
  2. Woodshop (dowels?)
  3. Fiber arts (fabric glue, low temp glue)
  4. Stained glass (glass display)
  5. Painting (paint by number)
- iii. List of members for each workstation
- iv. Logistics for each wall (4'\*8' plywood )
  1. Weight
  2. Wind
  3. Transportation
  4. Frame?

**b. Programming**

- i. August
  1. 50% fill = second run?

**V. Special Orders - 15 minutes**

- a. Propose a mission statement to the Board
  - i. For reference, the purpose statement is “The purpose of this corporation is to support making by:
    - 1. providing a location, tools, and equipment for people to pursue projects;
    - 2. facilitating the open and productive exchange of ideas; and
    - 3. engaging in community outreach and education.”
  - ii. Review the mission statements from the brainstorming session
    - 1. Save these for marketing!
      - a. “Eliminating barriers to make, create, and collaborate”
      - b. Spark: “A catalyst to make, create, and collaborate”
      - c. Spark: “Where Community fuels making”
      - d. “Eliminating barriers to creativity (and innovation)”
      - e. “A place to create, make, share”
      - f. Spark: “A place to make, create, and collaborate”
- b. Motion - Send the mission statement selection back to the Board with the acceptance of the purpose statement as the mission statement. “The mission of Spark Makerspace is to support making by providing a location, tools, and equipment for people to pursue projects; facilitating the open and productive exchange of ideas; and engaging in community outreach and education.” - Drew Gates, seconded by Mike Molinari
  - i. Passed unanimously
- c. Age policy
  - i. Postponed indefinitely per the Board
  - ii. Bring to the Board the question of Meetups and minors.
- d. Items to present at Tuesday's General Membership Meeting
  - i. Election of 2nd Member Representative on the Board.
  - ii. Spark Makerspace computer resources stuff
  - iii. Summer Melt volunteer positions
  - iv. Mission Statement
  - v. How many people come through the makerspace (per month)
  - vi. Show and tell
  - vii. Member Council report out
  - viii. Questions from general membership
  - ix. Around the room quick who-we-are
  - x. A quick form with info about what people are interested in and good at
  - xi. Next meetings

**VI. Unfinished Business and General Orders - 15 minutes**

- a. Motion - Any member in good standing who shows up to a member council meeting gets a vote - Mike Molinari, seconded by Ashby
  - i. Passed unanimously

**VII. New Business - 1 hour**

- a. Motion - Propose a tagline to the Executive Director for use as the starting tagline - Zach, seconded by Drew B
  - i. Spark: “A place to make, create, and collaborate”
  - ii. Passed unanimously

- b. Discussion
  - i. Mike thinks we need more space. He has a laser cutter to bring in
  - ii. Zach With A K thinks that we need to preserve air quality
    - 1. Drew G agrees that air quality needs to be preserved for new and existing tools such as lasers, cutters, other tools
  - iii. Electronics nerds are upgrading computers in coworking
    - 1. Public access workstations are in flux at the moment as the upgrades are performed. If you have specific software needed on the workstations please notify #helpdesk on Slack or email [it@sparkmakerspace.org](mailto:it@sparkmakerspace.org)
- c. For next meeting:
  - i. Spark's Financial Report (could be taken from Board meeting minutes)

#### **VIII. Announcements**

- a. General membership meeting Tuesday
  - i. Nominations for the second Board of Directors seat are presently open. Email [casey@sparkmakerspace.org](mailto:casey@sparkmakerspace.org) if interested. Vote is Tuesday.

#### **IX. Adjournment @ 1530**