

TSMA Board Meeting Highlights – August 2020

TSMA Board meeting called to order by President Mark Petersen on August 5, 2020, via Zoom. Call to order 8:35 AM. Adjourn 9:38 AM.

Motion to approve the **consent agenda**, including July 1, 2020 minutes and July 2020 financial reports.

The **TSMA Golf Social** held at Tipsinah Mounds Golf Course on July 21 was a success despite COVID restrictions.

Motion to distribute a **survey to candidates** running for a seat in the MN House and MN Senate districts in the TSMA region. The survey will focus on manufacturing-relevant issues.

Discussion heard regarding the opportunity for TSMA to acquire an **Economic Injury Disaster Loan**.

Youth Skills Training project – meeting pending with Fergus Falls School/planning committee.

Unless new circumstances develop, it was agreed not to proceed with “round 2” of the **COVID-19 Manufacturing Survey**.

Discussion regarding the remaining **TSMA 2020 Meeting Schedule**:

- TSMA Meeting survey feedback reviewed
- TSMA on Tap will be held as an outdoor networking event on August 12 in Battle Lake
- TSMA will host an outdoor meeting on September 1 in Alexandria, excluding a manufacturing tour.
- Rather than host the annual Stein & Wine Fest in October, an alternate outdoor fundraising event will be explored.
- Discussion tabled re: TSMA on November 3 and December 1.

Sandy Kashmark provided an update on **strategy discussions** re: Midwest Manufacturers’ Association and Arrowhead Manufacturers & Fabricators Association.

Follow pertaining to the **2020 Board Retreat**:

- It was agreed to schedule a meeting focused solely on confirming the priorities, timeline, and assignments of the TSMA 2020 Goal Statement.
- Regarding exploration of potential collaboration with area chambers - no update available.

The August **Executive Director Report** was reviewed.

The next **TSMA Board Meeting** is scheduled at 8:30 am on September 2, 2020, via Zoom.