

## TSMA Board Meeting Highlights – March 2020

TSMA Board meeting called to order by President Mark Petersen at Broadway Ballroom in Alexandria, MN, on March 3, 2020. Call to order 9:51 AM. Adjourn 11:30 AM.

Motion to approve the **consent agenda**, including December 4, 2019 meeting minutes, February 4, 2020 meeting minutes and February 2020 financial reports as presented.

Motion to elect **Chuck Gaffaney as TSMA Secretary** and validate an email vote of the following **2020 Officer Election**: Mark Petersen, President; Amy Johnson, Vice President; and Nicole Klimek, Treasurer.

**TSMA 2020 Committee Assignments** were confirmed as follows:

- Program Committee: Mark Petersen, Chuck Gaffaney, Marilyne Morisette, Phil Johnson
- Workforce Committee: Amy Johnson, Tony Hanson, Sandy King, Phil Johnson
- Government Affairs Committee: Ed Bolas, Brent Cochran
- Finance Committee: Nicole Klimek
- Membership Committee: Shawn Becker, Deb Waldvogel
- Marketing Committee: Liz Diedrich, Amy Johnson, Alexandra Thorstad
- Special Events Committee: Deb Waldvogel, Dan Kotek, Tom Mastellar

**Legacy Committee**: This would serve as a way to engage people who were previously active in TSMA but are now retired. Tabled.

**TSMA Board Retreat** scheduled on April 22, 2020, at Northern Contours.

Homework: Update the 2019 Work Plan with current status. Board members asked to provide feedback to facilitator Liz Diedrich by April 14, along with recommendation of new priorities for 2020.

**Youth Skills Training (YST) Grant** in the TSMA Region?

- YST is a program that encourages K12 / business relationships and results in paid work experience.
- Provides 16 and 17 year old students with paid work experience in a manufacturing plant.
- MN Dept. of Labor and Industry (DLI) conducts a personal inspection of the manufacturing facility; this is to alleviate the fear of allowing youth in a manufacturing environment.
- TSMA would function as the coordinator/liason between industry and K-12
- The board agreed to TSMA endorsement of the program, including a willingness to share info with members and help identifying K-12 partners.

**TSMA Program Committee**:

- It was agreed to schedule TSMA on Tap in Fergus Falls in 2020.
- It was agreed to host a Legislative Candidate Forum in September 2020 (election year).
- OECS Safety Series Part 3 will be scheduled as a stand-alone event in September.
- The annual Membership Drive will be held in November this year.
- Tour and speaker information confirmed for TSMA meetings in April and May 2020.

Amy Hochgraber, MState, shared information on **grant programs**: PIPELINE, MJSP, Automation.

**TSMA 2020 Budget Discussion**: Tabled

**Executive Director Report March**: reviewed

The **next TSMA Board meeting** will be held in conjunction with the retreat on April 22<sup>nd</sup> in Fergus Falls.