

Minutes

North Coast Marine Manufacturing Alliance Meeting
Wednesday, July 8, 2020
8:30 to 10:00 AM
WebEx

Type of Meeting: Steering Committee Meeting

Attendees: Jerry Clusen-Navy League/WMM, Josh Delforge-Marquis Yachts, Joe Draves-NWTC, Paige Funkhouser-D.C. Maritime Museum, Meredith Jaeger-NWTC, Kevin Osgood-D.C. Maritime Museum, Sam Perlman-D.C. Maritime Museum, Dennis Rockhill-Einstein Project, Melissa Wollering-FMM, Samuel Zold-AT&F, Ann Franz-NCMMA, Debbie Thompson-NWTC

AGENDA TOPICS

PRESENTER(S)

PRESIDENT TRUMP VISITS FINCANTIERI MARINETTE MARINE

Melissa Wollering

President Donald J. Trump visited FMM on 6/25/2020, following the shipyard's recent contract award to design and build the Navy's first-in-class guided-missile frigate. The President toured the shipyard where the LCS's are being built. He met with several Marinette Marine employees, in addition to speaking to hundreds of FMM employees, partners and local dignitaries. This was a historic day, a wonderful opportunity to promote shipbuilding and the marine industry.

COVID-19

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NWTC has students on campus this summer for lab based classes and is intending to continue the on-campus labs for fall. Online classes will be blended, with students coming on campus one day per week. Many students expressed their desire to be taught by their instructor, in addition to their online learning. The College has adjusted its attendance policy, allowing faculty to be as flexible as possible. If students need to isolate, they will have the opportunity to keep-up with their classes. Some students have tested positive.

NWTC practices to mitigate risk include; minimizing where students can go on campus, physical distancing and increased cleaning practices. Each classroom will have a kit with cleaning supplies and gloves. Furniture has been removed from hallways or moved to encourage physical distancing. NWTC's North Coast Marine Manufacturing Training Center has added second and third shifts to encourage physical distancing and mitigate cross-contamination.

The Door County and Wisconsin Maritime Museums are open. They are following local, state and federal guidelines to ensure the safety of their visitors and staff, adapting to the changing COVID circumstances. Jerry shared they are offering more online activities and are not hosting the ROV summer camp.

Sam stated that the DCMM created a home version of the Cardboard Regatta. They took a lot of museum content and digitized it. Schools can integrate the information for fall. The learning includes the Float Your Boat Challenge that can be done as a home educational opportunity. Sam shared the following links.

- Southern Door Video Compilation: <https://youtu.be/rURTrZXn82Q>
- Pre-event Press Release: <https://conta.cc/2Lcmsgz>
- Post-event PR: <https://conta.cc/37F32IK>

A regional SeaPerch advisory meeting is scheduled for 7/20/2020 at 2:00 p.m. The agenda includes discussing thoughts and ideas for the 2020/2021 school year. Door County school teachers have expressed interest in continuing with SeaPerch for the upcoming school year. Coordinating with the different regions may be difficult, due to the varied severity of the outbreak. Dennis asked that members think about teams that did not get to go to nationals this year, offering them the opportunity to attend in 2021.

Ann shared the Paper Discovery Center has expressed interest in hosting a SeaPerch competition for approximately 4-6 schools. She gave them Dennis' contact information. This could assist the NCMMA in growing the competition in the Fox Valley area.

Einstein Project, in conjunction with UWGB, is conducting some 3D printing learning. UWGB plans to open their doors in fall, so they want to have the Makerspace ready, putting them in kit development mode. As of yesterday, Einstein Project began doing onsite programming at Titledown Park.

The next NCMMA meeting will focus on next steps for the 2021 SeaPerch competition.

NCMMA 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Ann Franz

Ann will be sending members an NCMMA 10-year anniversary video, produced by Pam Blazei the Alliance's marketing coordinator. The video will be used to promote the organization and its anniversary. Ann asked that members view the video and share any comments. She is also working with *Insight on Manufacturing* to write a promotional article.

A daytime press conference will be held at the D.C. Maritime Museum in October. By then, their new meeting and event space is scheduled to be complete. Attendees can include; marine builders, NWTC reps and SeaPerch schools. At the 8/4 meeting, members will schedule a date for the press conference and establish the agenda.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER BREAKFAST

Melissa and Nate will determine the September date at Fincantieri Marinette Marine. Members feel there is great benefit to host the Associate Member Breakfast in-person. There will be an option if a company or marine builder cannot attend in-person to participate via Zoom/WebEx/Teams meetings later that day. Melissa will also inquire about any additional supplier events at FMM and report back.

Masks are mandatory at FMM, with few exceptions. Hand washing and social distancing are also being practiced. A prescreening questionnaire must be completed and may need to be completed again on the day of the event. Access is granted 2 to 5 days before entering the facility.

There will likely be no more than 40 attendees. Alliance Associate members will only be able to bring one representative to the shipyard. The attendees will be divided in half. One group attends the plant tour, while the other group will attend the marine builders' update and one-to-one meetings with the Associate members and purchasing managers. The two groups will switch after the tour. Each marine builder will give a report. Melissa will check with Nate to see if there is interest in having a presentation on the Department of Defense Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification. The Certification will be required of all defense contractors in the next few years. Wipfli has an expert on the topic and can give a brief presentation at the meeting, if there is interest.

A NCMMA directory will be produced. Full page ads will feature Associate members' products and services.

JOINT STEAM/SCOUT EVENT WITH THE MARITIME MUSEUMS at FINCANTERI MARINETTE MARINE

This event is on hold. Organizers are waiting to hear how the school districts will be conducting fall classes. Melissa will inquire at FMM to get an update. Members discussed possible alternatives to an in-person event. This could include incorporating some of the Door County and Wisconsin Maritime Museums' online learning.

UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMMING

Friday, **July 10** is the deadline for All Star & Mentor nominations. Members are encouraged to nominate.

- [ALL STAR Nomination Form](#)
- [MENTOR Nomination Form](#)

The [Manufacturing First Expo & Conference](#) will be hosted virtually over three days, October 20-22. Organizers are working with a company that offers intriguing ways to help people network remotely. Fun contests, events and activities will be part of the 2020 MFEC. Registrants will be able to view materials and presentations over several weeks.

NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME/AGENDA

The next NCMMA WebEx meeting will be on Tuesday, August 4, 2020, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Agenda:

- ✓ COVID-19
- ✓ NCMMA 10-Year Anniversary
- ✓ Associate Member Breakfast
- ✓ SeaPerch
- ✓ Joint STEAM/Scout Event with the Maritime Museums at FMM
- ✓ Upcoming Events & Programming