

Minutes

North Coast Marine Manufacturing Alliance Webex Meeting

February 9, 2022

8:30 to 9:15 AM

Type of Meeting:	Steering Committee Meeting	
Attendees:	Jerry Clusen-Navy League/WI Maritime Museum, Joe Draves-NWTC, Paige Funkhouser-DCMM, Linda Hornick-UWGB, Meridith Jaeger-NWTC, Dennis Rockhill-Einstein Project, Ann Franz-NCMMA, Marina Gonzalez-NEWMA, Debbie Thompson-NWTC	
	AGENDA TOPICS	PRESENTERS
	WELCOME	Ann Franz

Ann introduced Maria Gonzalez as the newly hired NEWMA/NCMMA talent coordinator. Maria will be working to connect member open positions with potential job candidates. She is passionate about helping individuals find rewarding careers. Maria's experience includes working in human resources at a couple of manufacturing companies. She has also served in the military and is fluent in Spanish.

	2022 SEAPERCH COMPETITION SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2022 - ASHWAUBENON COMMUNITY POOL	ALL
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The Green Bay regional competition has six team openings. Dennis shared that it has been difficult to get schools that have not participated in the past to respond. The schools that have responded are ready to go. UWGB is interested in hosting a team. Due to COVID, the Paper Discovery Center will not be having any teams participate. Dennis has been working with Hillary to determine the number of Marinette area teams. Paige is reaching out to Door County schools to confirm their teams.

Four pool practices are planned. Marinette and Sturgeon Bay have practices on March 5. Two weekend practices will be scheduled at Green Bay's Edison Middle School, after a lifeguard is secured.

Dennis has been receiving a several questions regarding the poster presentations. The NCMMA will continue with the traditional trifold presentations but will ask teams to create a notebook as a guide for their presentations. Students going to nationals are required to create a notebook. Judges can ask questions about their notebook that documents their process and building decisions. The ability to communicate and show planning steps is as important as building the ROV.

Jerry received notice that the Navy League was awarded a grant that will again enable them to award \$1,000 to the 1st place team. NEWMA will award the 2nd place winning teams \$500 if they go to nationals. Two winning teams from the NCMMA's 4/2/2022 competition will be eligible to attend nationals. Jerry also received an email from a Madison/Milwaukee SeaPerch organizer letting him know there are team openings for their March 22 SeaPerch competition.

Ann shared NCMMA's 2020 SeaPerch competition schedule for reference. Members will meet soon to discuss times for the 4/2/2022 competition, in addition to reviewing the score sheets. The obstacle course and presentations are the same; however, the challenge will be different.

- ✓ The regional SeaPerch planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 2/11/2022.
- ✓ Dennis will send teams information regarding the notebook.
- ✓ Dennis will send Ann a list of how many kits have been purchased using the grant funding, in addition to how many kits are needed. Paige has two kits available.
- ✓ The 4/2 schedule and score sheets will be established / updated.
- ✓ Ann will follow-up with Nate Millsap to see if Fincantieri Marine Group is interested in sponsoring team refreshments again.
- ✓ Ann will be sending members a list of volunteer opportunities.
- ✓ Joe will follow-up with NWTC's weld club, after their 2/15 meeting. He estimates at least two weld club members will volunteer at the 4/2 competition.

✓ Ann will look into prizes and follow-up with members.

2022 BOAT BUILDS

Dennis Rockhill

Dennis shared the boat build initiative with his team for further ideas. Groups that may want to participate were identified.

- Aquatic Robotics Camp – Two camps are scheduled.
- At-Risk Youth
- Boys & Girls Clubs
- Green Bay Sail & Paddle
- NEW Scholars
- UWGB & NWTC – They have connections with middle school and upper primary grades. Summer camps are offered.
- YMCAs – Einstein Project is doing some work with a YMCA that could open the door to some of their other locations participating.

Dennis will be sending Ann a summary of what is needed from the NCMMA to proceed with this initiative.

GOOD JOBS GRANT

Ann Franz

These grant dollars would be focused on training for maritime careers. Grant applications are due this week. Recipients will be notified in summer 2022.

UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMMING

Ann Franz

- **February 11 – Ribbon Cutting at Door County’s Maritime Museum** - Sturgeon Bay
- **March 2 – Quarterly Full Membership Meeting** - 8:30 to 10:00 AM - In-person at Fox Valley Technical College *or* Virtual. To register: <https://form.jotform.com/AnnFranz/newma-quarterly-march-2022>
- **April 5 – You Can Make It Career Expo** for 7th Graders at Greenville Middle School – Hortonville 7th graders will also be in attendance. There will be six, 20 minute rotations in the morning and afternoon. Contact Ann if you are interested in hosting a hands-on activity for 6-8 students per rotation. Booths are free for participants.
- **April 27 – You Can Make It Career Expo** for 6th graders at Green Bay’s Lombardi Middle School – There will be six, 20 minute rotations in the morning and afternoon. Contact Ann if you are interested in hosting a hands-on activity for 6-8 students per rotation. Booths are free for participants.

NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME/AGENDA

The next NCMMA Webex meeting will be on March 10, 2022, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Agenda:

- ✓ Planning: SeaPerch Competition
- ✓ Planning: 2022 Boat Builds
- ✓ Grant Opportunities
- ✓ Upcoming Events & Programming
- ✓ Next Meeting Date/Time/Agenda