

# Minutes

## North Coast Marine Manufacturing Alliance - MS Teams Meeting

July 13, 2022

8:30 to 9:30 AM

**Type of Meeting:** Steering Committee Meeting

**Attendees:**

**Jerry Clusen**-Navy League/WI Maritime Museum, **Josh Delforge**-Cruisers Yachts, **Joe Draves**-NWTC, **Meridith Jaeger**-NWTC, **Nick Kasatkin**-TMB Inc., **Ryan Lindeman**-Crescent Electric, **Chris Nielsen**-FMG, **Elizabeth Schaff**-NWTC, **Andrea Stromeyer**-DCMM, **Ann Franz**-NCMMA, **Debbie Thompson**-NWTC

### AGENDA TOPICS

### PRESENTERS

#### HIRING BEST PRACTICES

**Nick Kasatkin, TMB Inc.**

**See Attachments.** Nick Kasatkin is a director for workforce initiatives at TMB, Inc. and is based out of Washington D.C. His overall goal is to find a way to expand existing programs (specifically, SENEDIA and MAST) into other regions of the country and identify organizations that would like to partner with the Navy (NAVSEA PEO Ships, for instance) to enact some or all of the elements demonstrated as successful by these pilot programs. Some key regions that have not been targeted, or have great potential for the Navy at large, include Wisconsin. If interested, Nick would like to enact some (or all) parts of these programs and find ways to tap into available funding (such as DOL/DOT/DOD grants).

Members would like to continue partnering with Nick and his affiliates in an effort to promote the regional marine industry. Meridith is working with NWTC leadership to get a group together to continue to build momentum for the Center of Excellence. They have not heard back yet the results of their EDA Good Jobs Challenge grant application but want to continue the work that needs to be done. This includes building industry awareness of career opportunities.

#### NEXT STEPS

- ✓ Nick will determine what funds are available and what his organization is able to provide. He will coordinate with Ann and Meridith.
- ✓ At the 8/16/2022 NCMMA meeting, members will meet in-person at NWTC's Startup Hub on the Green Bay campus, 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. Attendees will determine desired key outcomes, not limited by budget. Members are encouraged to review Nick's attached reports prior to the meeting.

### SEAPERCH COMPETITION RECAP

The NCMMA's regional competition was held on 4/2/2022, at Ashwaubenon Community Pool. Marinette and Washington Island winning teams went on to compete against 60 teams at the 2022 World SeaPerch Competition in Maryland. The Navy League provided monetary awards to help the two teams with their travel expenses. Ann read a letter she received from a Washington Island student who shared how much he enjoyed and appreciated the experience.

Teams will be recruited in fall for the 2022/2023 season. The goal is to identify more teams that can host local competitions that will feed into the NCMMA's regional competition. Two free kits will be available per school.

### ASSOCIATE MEMBER MEETING – FALL 2022

This year's event will be held at Cruisers Yachts, on September 15 or 22. Ann will follow-up with the boat builder purchasing managers to finalize the date. This meeting will take the place of the September regularly scheduled NCMMA meeting.

### MANUFACTURING FIRST EXPO & CONFERENCE

Manufacturing First Expo & Conference | October 26 | at the Resch Expo | Green Bay, WI  
**Dues paying members need to [REGISTER](#) by Friday, July 15 for four free tickets to the event.**

NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME/AGENDA
<p>The next NCMMA Webex meeting will be on August 16, 2022, 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. in-person at NWTC's Green Bay campus Startup Hub (Room BA101). Agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Grant Ideation</li><li>✓ Associate Member Meeting – September 2022</li><li>✓ SeaPerch 2022/2023</li><li>✓ Next Meeting Date/Time/Agenda</li></ul>