

Manufacturing Innovation Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
Department of Economic and Community Development
February 18, 2025
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
via Teams meeting

Attendance

- Board Members Present: Paul Lavoie, John Zoldy, Hannah Belmont, Kelli-Marie Vallieres, Dave Cremin, Colin Cooper, Mike Rocheleau, Mark Burzynski, Chris DiPentima, Lydia Blanche, Emir Redzic
Quorum: Yes
- Stakeholders & Guests: Rich DuPont (AMHoF), Ron Angelo (CCAT), John Glidden (CCAT), Bernice Zampano (CONNSTEP), Barbara Fernandez (CONNSTEP), Tracy Ariel (OWS), Deb Presbie, Ron Angelo (CCAT), Jessica Taylor, Eileen Candles (CCAT), Deb Presbie (ReadyCT)
- DECD Staff: Michelle Hall, Cindy Hetu, Carmen Molina-Rios, Carla Rae Rodriguez, Yvonne Zhao,

1. **Welcome** – Meeting was brought to order by Paul Lavoie at 1:04pm.
2. **12/17/24 Meeting Minutes** – Motion to approve (CORRECTED) 12/17/24 minutes by Paul Lavoie. Moved by Mark Rocheleau, seconded by Dave Cremin.
3. **1/21/25 Meeting Minutes** – Motion to approve 1/21/25 minute made by Paul Lavoie. Start time was incorrect, will be corrected to 1:04pm from 2:04pm. Moved by Mark Rocheleau, seconded by Dave Cremin.
4. **Program Budget Review**
5. **Admin Budget Review**
6. **Sponsorship Expenses & Projections**
7. **Revisit Sponsorship Policy – (VOTE)** - Motion to approve Sponsorship Policy with revisions made by Michelle Hall was made by Paul Lavoie. Motion moved by Michael Rocheleau, seconded by Hannah Belmont. Action Item: The question regarding alcohol being served at sponsored events will be checked by Legal / Ethics board. After the new FY25 allocation has been received, an annual sponsorship budget will be put before the Board. No vote was held.
8. **AMHoF Manufacturing Education Program (VOTE)** – Motion to approve made by Paul Lavoie. Motion moved by Michael Rocheleau, seconded by Hannah Belmont. Further discussion was held and motion failed pending additional information and discussion. Action Item: Rich DuPont will provide additional information and present to the Board at a later date.

9. **Digital Transformation Sustainability Plan (Presentation)**

10. **Robotics Presentation** - Dr. Barry Sheckley

11. **Motion to adjourn** made at by Paul Lavoie at 2:46pm. Moved by Dave Cremin, seconded by Mark Burzynski. Motion carried.