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KAMMA REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

July 17, 2017

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

LOCATION: Kingman Airport Authority Conference Room
7000 Flightline Drive, Kingman, AZ

July 17, 2017 MEETING SUMMARY

I. Welcome: John Hansen welcomed the group and invited all to introduce themselves. The 16 attendees were:

- John Hansen - Laron Inc.
Jeff McKnight - I-Corp Arizona, Inc.
Dolly Moore - Laron Inc.
Scott Brackett - Brackett Aero Filters
Bob Riley - Kingman Airport Authority
Robert Freeman - MCC (Mohave Community College)
Carl Hays - M-14P
John Hastings - Laughlin Bullhead International Airport (IFP)
Monica Gates - Mayor - City of Kingman
Harley Pettit - Guest
Tim Lamoreaux - Dillon Transportation
Donna Davis - Expect More Arizona
Ken Hewitt - AZ DES / Arizona@Work
Della Gray - AZ DES / Arizona@Work
Dotty McNulty - Valle Vista Properties
Jason Scott - NACFD (Northern Arizona Consolidated Fire District)

II. The June 19, 2017 meeting minutes were not available at the time of the meeting. The minutes will be posted on the KAMMA website (http://www.mohavemfgassociation.com/)

III. Financial Report: Jeff McKnight confirmed the bank balances of:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows: Beginning Balance (Through 06/19/2017): \$9,175.32; Ending Balance (Through 07/17/2017): \$8,175.32

Check 1066 was written in late June in the amount of \$1,000 for donation to the GenK Economic Development project.

#### IV. Old Business:

- a. **Website Update** (<http://www.mohavemfgassociation.com/>): Dolly Moore reported no changes within the website.
- b. **Membership Update:** Dolly Moore confirmed membership count at 39 total with 26 paid members, 11 Ex-Officio members and 3 comp'd members.
- c. **Training Update: Automation Training through Heitek Automation, Phoenix:** John Hansen indicated that Heitek was working to get an automation training class set-up for the near future and is optimistic that the training could be available in August here in Kingman. More details will be forthcoming.

Robert Freeman with MCC indicated that he is scheduled to have a meeting July 24<sup>th</sup> with River Medical to finalize details for a Medical First Responder training class to be offered locally beginning in August possibly. John requested details of the class and is looking forward to getting this training available to our local manufacturers.

#### V. New Business

- a. **Internship Coordination Committee Update:** John Hansen, committee chair reported that MCC has chosen to move in another direction and will not partner with KAMMA in the Internship Coordination effort. John stated that the strategy is to post the opportunities on the KAMMA website by both companies looking to hire interns as well as students posting their credentials and desire to serve an internship at a local company. The goal is to create this feature on KAMMA's website within the next 3 months.

Mary Mendola from Arizona@Work offered to pre-screen intern candidates for companies looking to utilize the students as interns.

(Internship Coordination Committee: John Hansen, Dolly Moore, Mary Mendola and Scott Brackett)

- b. **Town Hall Workshop - Update:** Mayor Gates addressed the group and described how the Town Hall Workshop is a community driven effort to define a path toward economic development within our area. It was noted that 160 people have completed the survey published on the website <http://genkaz.com>. 50 have registered for the main event to date but 250 – 300 people are needed to fill the event. A youth segment of the event is planned for August 8, 2017 from 10:00am to 1:00pm at Mohave Community College for youth ages 15 – 19 to voice their opinions and share views and ideas on the project as well. Mayor Gates strongly encouraged everyone to participate in the project and welcomes anyone that live, work or play in this area to join the effort. John Hansen encouraged the membership to participate in the survey and ultimately the main event to be held Saturday August 19, 2017 at Beale Celebrations in downtown Kingman. The goal is to have at least 25 participants from the Industrial Park to strengthen the voice and

concerns of our manufacturing community. The main event will pair a variety of people in diverse groups to discuss goals and build strategies to achieve those goals. All registration is being managed by Arizona Town Hall.

- c. **KAMMA Monthly Meeting Day / Date Change – Change Day of Week for September & November Meeting:** John Hansen discussed the proposed dates of Tuesday September 12, 2017 or Tuesday November 14 as a change from the normal “3<sup>rd</sup> Monday” of each month in hopes of allowing other members and stakeholders a chance to attend a KAMMA meeting as Monday are tough for many managers to be available. The month of October is scheduled to stay with the normal Monday as that is the date of US Representative Paul Gosar’s visit to Kingman. Mr. Gosar has expressed interest in touring one or two companies here in our Industrial Park during his visit. A list of companies willing to host Mr. Gosar’s tour is being created and will be forwarded to Mr. Gosar’s office for review.
  
- d. **MFG Day 2017 – Update:** John Hansen recapped the 2016 MFG Day event for the attending group and explained how much of a success the event was and how much of an inspiration it has been to continue this unique opportunity and show our youth what opportunities exist within the community they live in. It is the wish of KAMMA to make the event bigger and better and include a larger audience. Other schools and organizations could include Kingman Academy, Lake Havasu High School, Mohave High (Bullhead), Scouting groups, online learning students, home school students and other youth groups. The event is tentatively scheduled for October 26, 2017. The next committee meeting will be August 1, 2017 to be held at the KAA administration building and anyone is welcomed to attend.
  
- e. **Laughlin / Bullhead International Airport (IFP) – KAMMA Incentives:** Mr. John Hastings handed out flyers to all attending relative to the Laughlin Bullhead International Airport / KAMMA Employee Travel Contest. IFP is working to raise awareness of the new American Airlines service in and out of Laughlin Bullhead airport by offering incentives to KAMMA member employees during the period of July through October. Prizes will be \$200 American Airlines gift cards and there will be one winner each month. Entries into the contest can be made by booking travel through IFP during the contest period. Additional entries can be earned by uploading a “selfie” of you flying from IFP during the contest period.

John explained how vital it will be to accelerate ridership through Laughlin Bullhead airport to earn the status to keep the public air service available.

- f. **Partner Updates: KAA, JTED, MCC, Kingman Area Chamber of Commerce, Others:** Bob Riley, Economic Development Director of the Kingman Airport Authority reported that work is continuing on the dross site at the airport but things have been slow otherwise. Bob noted that Tristate Careflight recently held an open house that was fairly well attended. In other airport news, Bob mentioned that a mower would be working around the airport in the coming days to help mitigate the growth of weeds from the recent monsoon rains.

Robert Freeman, Corporate Education Manager at MCC reminded the group of the meeting to be held July 24<sup>th</sup> with River Valley Medical to define the curriculum for the First Responder training being put together.

Monica Gates, Mayor City of Kingman shared details of a meeting held July 13<sup>th</sup> with the Rancho Santa Fe Parkway subcommittee that was widely attended by stakeholders as well as Arizona State Representatives Regina Cobb and Sonny Borrelli. As work of the committee moves ahead Mayor Gates will prepare to travel to the State Capitol to present the facts relative to the need for this vital asset to the state legislators. The committee's goal is to get the Ranch Santa Fe Interchange on the ADOT plan and get it prioritized. The focus is to demonstrate the value of the Rancho Santa Fe Interchange. John Hansen added that he recently attended a Freight Advisory Committee meeting in Phoenix and there was a disproportionate voice within the group that seems to be heavily weighted toward Maricopa County and the I-10 corridor. John is pleased and very supportive of Representatives Cobb and Borrelli being engaged in the efforts to help strengthen the voice of this effort.

Donna Davis, Senior Community Mobilizer for Expect More Arizona (<https://www.expectmorearizona.org>) visiting from Phoenix described how Expect More Arizona champions a world-class education for children regardless of background, income or zip code. Donna offered some handouts charting the key metrics used to measure progress both in our state as well as county. Donna noted that Mayor Gates was one of the first to endorse Expect More Arizona in our region and is looking for support from our group to help promote and build an education-first culture. Donna welcomed all to join the movement to advance a world-class education for all Arizona children.

**VI. NEXT REGULAR KAMMA MEETING:**

**Monday, August 21, 2016**

**1:00 PM – 2:30 PM**

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