

# MANUFACTURING MINUTES ADVISORY BOARD

## MEETING 4/11/25

In attendance Don Venice from Fullflex, Joshua Levasseur from GS precision, George Sprague from Headwaters co, Mike Pickett from HAAS machinery.

Greeting : Meeting started at 2:30, Introduction of participants and what company they Represented.

Rich Thompson explained to the board what we have been teaching in Man 1 and Man 2

Rich had asked what in the board's opinion we should consider teaching.

In agreement from all board members we should focus on all the soft skills they look for in their employees should be priority , show up on time etc etc.

Mike said we should be doing AI introduction lessons in programming.

Don Venice said that Full flex is using Teams to conduct all the meetings and that takes care of their documentation through AI and also takes minutes of meetings

Rich said this is something that he should look into.

Josh mentioned what he does with AI , safety procedures for his company, etc.

We then went to update on the 5 axis grant.

Rich said that the grant is still active and our fingers are crossed.

Mike said that if unsuccessful with the grant we should consider lowering our sites and try to obtain an attachment for the VMC to mimic a 5 axis. It was in agreement that not anywhere near as good for the students but a means to introduce them to 5 axis concepts.

Rich asked Mike , ballpark what kind of money are we talking about ? Mike said around 30 K

Rich said the only problem with that would tie up the only CNC mill and he has kids waiting in line now to take turns with that machine.

We wrapped thing up at 3:40