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/Treasurer  
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### **Minutes of the March 29, 2017 Meeting**

The bi-monthly meeting was called to order at 3:50 PM by President Vic Callirgos.

There were five (5) members present.

Last meeting minutes: A motion was made to accept the minutes “as submitted via e-mail” with the date change in the title from 2015 to 2016. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Treasurer’s Report: Mark Kelly reported that we had a balance of \$10,928.91 and 34 paid members. Mark mentioned that he moved our account from TD Bank to Citizens Bank. A motion was made to accept the report and passed unanimously.

Members reports on the state of the industry in New England:

CT: Moderate/Busy.  
VT: Very Busy with NY work.  
MA: Moderate/Busy

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

A hold was put on the membership certificates since Kevin Jacques was unable to attend the meeting.

A page on our web site to show 3D pdf’s of member jobs will be up and running soon. Vic is asking the members to send him some interesting jobs for the page.

Vic opened a discussion on how we can celebrate our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary which is this year. Mark suggested a get together at one of the casinos in south east CT. Mike Pelliccio will be looking into room rates in the area and providing a welcome reception and dinner to follow.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Since 2017 will be the 6<sup>th</sup> and last year that Vic will be president he suggested we start looking for a replacement to start in 2018. Vic will be sending out an email asking members if they would be interested in a board position. We need at least one (1) member to take over the position of president or vice president and a member to fill the position of secretary.

Vic expressed his concern on the poor attendance and involvement in the meetings that the membership has been showing over the last few years. We have only four (4) meetings a year, as opposed to six (6) in the past, and we still only get the same 5 or 6 members in attendance. There is a good possibility that if we can’t get new board members and better member support, this may be the 25<sup>th</sup> and last year for

NESDA. That will leave NISD our only trade organization available to represent the detailing community of New England

Mike reported that the new NISD Connection magazine is available on their website (nisd.org) as a free download with some very interesting articles that the members should check out. He also reported that he learned from NISD that there are two (2) new grades of steel being rolled by Nucor. One is a 'W' sections- A913 grade 50 for beams and grade 65 for columns. Be advised that if you see A913 called out on a design drawing to use 8018 welding rod. The other new grade is HSS A1085 round, square and rectangular tubing.

The next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, May 17, 2017

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

Prior to the meeting we had a tour of Rens Welding & Fabrication, Inc. This is a newly expanded and modernized facility, including an array of computerized fabricating equipment and a laser driver lay out table (the only one in a fab. shop in the US) where no soap stone lines are required.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Pelliccio, Vice President.