

## Welding Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes 1/16/25

Members present: Ryan Gaul, Stan Brown, Ryan Lehman, Adam Lonsbury, Nate Quick, Brea Zuydwegt, Andrew Ryan, Jerry Lentz

Welcome new members from Elite Welding and Fabrication (Adam Lonsbury and Nate Quick).

### New Business:

- Ericks retirement
- John Nieboer, new Welding Instructor
- OTC Tig welder
  - Pros and cons. (research to be done before a purchase) Possible trip to OTC in Detroit for further investigation
- Laser Welder
  - Pros and cons. Laser welding is coming ready or not.
  - Very expensive for the material thickness available to weld
  - Footprint with mobile booth
  - Miller purchases unit and then upgrades unit to comply with OSHA
  - 230V required electricity
  - 3/16-inch max thickness that can be welded
  - Possible electrical upgrades in automation room.

### Industry Needs:

- Interkal needs someone for 2<sup>nd</sup> shift. Willing to train.
- Being able to read a tape measure.
- Talk face to face with direct leaders.

Erick expressed his gratitude to entire Welding Advisory Committee