

# 2015 Statement of Intent Kent Bowling

This letter is to serve as formal notification that I, Kent Bowling, am officially submitting my name to run for election to the Board of Directors for the Dallas Makerspace for the year 2015.

My goals for 2015 are:

1. Coordinate more "crowd-sourcing" ("member-sourcing" really) of the day-to-day operations at the space
  - a. Further promote and train members on member signup procedure. Anyone could sign a member up and give them a badge that is pending activation after waiver signage etc.
  - b. Streamline accounting data entry (receipt and deposit slip submission for instance) and make the duties of the Treasurer easier whenever humanly possible
  - c. Put in place an actual ticket system (more formal than email) for handling support issues, tool/equipment issues, and potentially bug tracking of internal software
2. Personally assist PR in their job and get more entries on our blog. As of this writing, the last entry was 2/20/14.
  - a. Set a realistic goal of at least 2 entries per month
  - b. Create a list of people (myself included) willing to "interview" our members and create short entries about their projects to meet above goal.
  - c. Offer a mechanism where any member can alternatively post a raw version of their story for editing and publication by PR.
  - d. Host videos for our blog on YouTube, and link to blog stories on other social media (Facebook, Google+, etc.) to make our offerings more cohesive
3. Resurrect monthly member meetings
  - a. Attempt to reach quorum levels once again by taking attendance and reminding those that are absent about their voting responsibilities
    - i. Make voting privileges more fluid by allowing members to more easily manage their voting rights
    - ii. Adding bylaws about suspending voting privileges (that could be reactivated by members per above) based upon inactivity
  - b. Coordinate in advance (personally if necessary) quick "show and tell" presentations of current projects (limited to 5 minutes or something appropriate)
4. Encourage and promote more open (to the public) build days in various areas of the space, much like Alex is starting to do in the Woodshop

As part of this Letter of Intent, I also agree to the duties and functions expected of me in this position that include, but are not limited to:

1. Making every effort to attend the annual meeting(s) and regular meetings.
2. Perform the duties and responsibilities of Director as outlined in the Dallas Makerspace Bylaws as well as the Dallas Makerspace Rules and Policies.
3. Approach every situation logically and with the best interest of the Dallas Makerspace in mind, ignoring personal feelings for any parties involved.

If elected, I am fully aware and understand the importance of my full participation as a productive and effective leader during my tenure on the Dallas Makerspace Board of Directors, and I agree to the terms and conditions set forth above.

Nominated by: Alex Rhodes, Brandon Dunson