

# 2024 Statement of Intent - James Henningson

I, James Henningson, am submitting my Statement of Intent to run for the Board of Directors.

Many of you already know me, but for those that don't here is some background on me, and the work I've been involved in at the space.

I've been a member for almost 9 years now. Lately I'm most active in Jewelry, but i've done projects in almost every area of the space. I am currently the president of the space, and I have served on 4 previous boards, including during the first round of expansion and during the pandemic. I also give tours to new members almost every Saturday, so if you don't know me by name you still may have met me on your tour.

I truly enjoy the time I spend at the space. I find it incredibly rewarding to be able to be a part of our shared maker journey.

I didn't run for the board last term because we had a good set of candidates and my job was taking a lot of my time. I knew I couldn't give the space and its membership the time and focus it deserves.

Since then I have started a new job and will be able to devote time to focus on my volunteer work.

If elected to the board again I pledge to work with the same dedication that I gave on my previous terms. I also have some goals I would like to accomplish in the upcoming term.

1. Improve our integration with the city of Carrollton. This process began through my PR work as president, we will be taking part in a few upcoming city events and I would like to see that grow. It will aid us in growing our membership as well as raising awareness in the community.
2. Complete the expansion. We are in the final stretch, the estimates are coming in as I write this. I bring a wealth of historical knowledge to the project and would like to see it through to the end.
3. Improve our volunteer engagement. This is another initiative that began during my term as president. We have upcoming Teacher Appreciation events and Member Appreciation events that I would like to see become part of our regular member outreach to build a more cohesive community.
4. Increase membership. I believe this will come organically when expansion is completed, but it must be managed properly to insure that new members are onboarded and have a clear path to making. If we don't actively coordinate this we will see a lot of churn in our new membership which isn't good for the community as a whole. Increasing membership will also improve our cash flow, which is necessary for the long term success of DMS>

I hope that I can count on your vote and thank you for your consideration.

## Signature

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