

Members Present: Sarah Mireski, Staci Williams, Paul Backhaus, Brenda Bruyette, Marcia Krieser and Jeremy Vanderloop.

Members Absent: Britta Braden (proxy given), Kristine Schroeder, Chris Neu and Carly Kastein

Others Present: Derrick James DeLise (The Audubon Inn), Patti Kriewald (chamber staff) and Linda Turk (chamber staff).

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order President Sarah Mireski at 7:07 AM.

Secretary Report: A motion to accept the March 2009 Secretary's report was made by Marcia and seconded by Brenda. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: A motion to accept the March 2009 Treasurer's report was made by Staci and seconded by Paul. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Web Hosting Update

Linda is still working with Aaron at SunAnt on transferring our website from Webnality to SunAnt. Linda has to recreate all the pages as there is a lot of Webnality and Eznettools code that needs to be removed. With SunAnt we have a lot more flexibility with setting up the pages. However, that also means that we can't just update a business and have it update everywhere the business appears on the website. We have to manually change businesses from member to non-member and recreate the pages.

Easter Basket Hunt Update

The beautiful weather brought a record number of people out to the Easter Basket Hunt. It was estimated that we were short about 100 baskets. This was not expected since Horicon held their hunt at the same time. It worked very well to assign the big prizes by age. All prizes were donated by members. We were able to go in with The Audubon Inn and Confections for Any Occasion and purchase a bunny costume. It looks like we will be close to breaking even for the event. Without the generosity of our donors this event would not be possible. We will need to consider increasing the baskets to 550 next year. The west side hunt seemed to be well received. The number of participating businesses doubled. Most of the people hunting on the west side drove to the different locations instead of walking. The Mayville Police Department was very helpful with traffic control in the parking lot by the pharmacy.

Mayville Night at the Schauer Center

Tom Robbins from the Schauer Center has sent out letters to Chamber members about sponsoring Mayville Night at the Schauer Center. The event we have chosen is The Piano Men to be held on Friday, February 5th. Chamber staff is to send Marcia a list of the businesses that were sent letters. Jane Klawitter has offered to help.

NEW BUSINESS

2009 Officers

The positions of vice-president and secretary/treasurer need to be filled. Jeremy has accepted the secretary/treasurer position. Sarah will talk to Chris Neu about the vice-president position.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Programs

Lunch & Learn

The March Lunch & Learn was not very well attended. There were only four members present for the lunch. Discussion took place regarding the continuation of the programs. It was decided to finish the year with the remaining two programs. Sarah will look into Identity Theft for the next program.

Network Night

The next Network Night will be held on Thursday, May 7th at Gateway Community Church from 5-7 PM.

Retail

Audubon Days

Sarah, Erica and Paul will be the chair people for the 2009 Audubon Days Festival. They will work with the chamber staff to schedule the first steering committee meeting soon.

Industrial

Paul and Chris are still working with Mr. Zarnott.

Nominations

Staci will talk to Jerry Mountin about the replacement for Tim's position on the board. Jerry would like someone from Piggly Wiggly to take the position. However, we can't hold the position open indefinitely.

Hospitality

Marsibilio's, Beaver Dam Community Hospital Fast Care, Tinks Ink, Steve's Auto Body, Madden Law Firm, No Knots and SunAnt Web Design and Marketing all need to have a greeting scheduled. Marsibilio's and Precision were scheduled for Tuesday, April 14th and need to be rescheduled for Thursday, April 16th.

OTHER BUSINESS

Beaver Dam Chamber

Staci has been asked to accept a nomination for a board position on the Beaver Dam Chamber of Commerce. She asked if the board would think this a conflict of interest to be on both the Beaver Dam board and the Mayville board. The Mayville board did not see a conflict.

Next Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be Thursday, May 14th at 7:00 AM at the Chamber Office.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jeremy and seconded by Staci at 7:42 AM. Motion carried