

**MINUTES**  
**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**  
Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce  
May 3rd 2011 – Chamber Conference Room

**Present:** Guy Clairmont, Len Salmela, Margie Ritter, Katie Lang, Carie Olds

**Chamber Staff:** Bud Stone & Kerry Larsen

Guy Clairmont called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

**APPOINTMENT FOR MAY 5<sup>TH</sup>:**

Kerry asked committee members to look at their schedules to take an appointment with Yarnworks – Rebecca Walker on May 5<sup>th</sup> – 11:30 a.m. @ Bixby's. Yarnworks is not a member but has been in the past!

**ACTION:** Brad Johnson volunteered to take this appointment. Brad will follow up with Rebecca and confirm appointment.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Margie Ritter made a motion to approve the April 2011 meeting minutes; Len Salmela seconded the motion; motion carried.

**ACTION:** No further action needed.

**TEAM REPORTS:** The committee gave updates of their visits.

**Marla – JB Kaiser**

**Carie –**

**Margie – Wendigo**

**Kerry – Lillian's & City of Cohasset**

**Dave –**

**Guy – Jenny & Company**

**Len – Arrow Embroidery**

**Brad –**

**Total: 36**

**ACTION:** Kerry will continue to schedule appointments and ask for committee members to volunteer. Kerry will also call Jenny and Company and invite Kay to the next Area Business Committee. Kerry will call Kathy Kooda from Computer Enterprises and talk with her about the classes she is partnering with the University of Minnesota. Kerry will suggest possibly purchasing a member to member for marketing these classes for in the future if they continue. The committee felt they were valuable and more members should be aware of the opportunities.

Meeting adjourned

Submitted by Kerry Larsen, Membership & Tourism Committee