

**Young Professionals
Chamber Conference Room
December 10th, 2009**

PRESENT: Cory Jackson, Mike Stefan, Kristina Clark, Carie Olds, Guy Clairmont, Zack Griemann

STAFF: Kerry Larsen

Carie Olds called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 12th 2009 MEETING MINUTES

Carie Olds asked for a motion to approve the November 2009 minutes; Kristina Clark made a motion to approve the November 2009 minutes; Zach Griemann seconded; motion carried.

UGLY SWEATER PARTY

Kristina Clark updated the committee on the RSVP's. Kristina mentioned only a few people have responded. The committee felt that a better response level of RSVPs would have been nice, but for this event they were not really necessary. Kristina will give an update on the Ugly Sweater Party at the next meeting.

ACTION: No further action is needed.

UPDATE ON "WHAT'S UP ITASCA" & NEW BUSINESS

The committee members were updated and discussed the following:

- Ainsworth property
- Kuepers and housing/apartments by Diamond Willow
- Blues Festival in June coming to Grand Rapids
- Minnesota Discovery Center (Iron World) closing
- Hospice building a new facility

ACTION: No further action is needed.

2010 CHAIR & CO – CHAIR:

Kristina Clark has volunteered to be the 2010 Chair of the committee and Cory Jackson volunteered to be Co-Chair. Zack Griemann made a motion to have Kristina Clark serve as the 2010 Chair of the Young Professionals Committee and Cory Jackson as Co-chair; Carie Olds seconded; Motion carried.

ACTION: No further action is needed.

2010 MISSION STATEMENT & GOALS:

Kristina Clark has some suggestions for the Mission Statement for the committee in 2010 along with goals. Kristina will get these suggestions to Kerry as soon as possible so they can be discussed with Bud and the committee.

ACTION: Kristina will email Kerry the 2010 Mission Statement & Goal suggestions as soon as possible.

EVENTS FOR 2010 MONTHS:

The committee members decided to have each committee member take a month and plan Young Professionals monthly event.

- Jan. 14th – Guy Clairmont
- Feb 11th – Zack Griemann
- March 11th – Mike Stefan
- April 8th – Carie Olds
- May 13th – Kristina Clark

The other half of the year will be discussed at a later date. Guy Clairmont will have to email the committee members his idea of the Jan. 14th event due to the Young Professionals meeting being after the event. Cory suggested that each event should have a speaker, topic and a venue. The committee members briefly discussed the Chamber Annual Dinner and suggested that they encourage as many people as they can to attend.

ACTION: Guy will email out his idea of the Jan. 14th event as soon as possible. The committee members who volunteered to plan a month will bring their ideas to the Jan. 14th meeting for discussion.

COMMUNICATION SUB-COMMITTEE:

Cory would like to talk about this at the Jan. meeting. Cory would like to get a small committee to help with marketing of the Young Professionals.

ACTION: This will be talked about at the Jan. 14th meeting.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be Jan. 14th 2010 /12:00 noon, Chamber Conference Room.

MEETING ADJOURNED