

**Ambassador Committee
Bixby's Cafe
August 12th 2009**

Present: Jane O'Leary, Andy Mundt, Shane Skelly, June Johnson, Shannon Rajala, Ann Killian, Diane Skelly, Bobbie McInerney, Clair Skelly

Chamber Staff: Kerry Larsen & Bud Stone

Call to Order: Co - Chairperson Clair Skelly called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

Approval of June 2009 Minutes: Shannon Rajala moved to approve the August 2009 minutes; Shane Skelly seconded; Motion carried.

ACTION: No further action is needed.

Open Discussion: The committee had a lengthy discussion about the Ambassador committee. The committee members talked about concerns, value of ambassadors, what can be changed and things that should be changed for next year. The committee members discussed putting the name of the business after the chamber ambassador name in the Ribbon Cutting photos. The committee members will call a few businesses to see how they feel about this. Will it take away from the business in the ribbon-cutting photo? Will it bring more value to the Ambassador committee? Committee members were also told to start thinking about a chair and co-chair for 2010. A brief discussion took place about the Breakfast Connections as well. What can be changed and what can be done to increase attendance? This will be discussed at a later date. Ribbon cuttings, greetings and Breakfast Connections were updated quickly due to the time factor.

ACTION: Clair will assign a few businesses to each Ambassador to see how they feel about putting their business name after each ambassador in a ribbon-cutting photo. A report will be given at the September meeting.

New members: Kerry updated the committee members on new members. These consisted of Woodland Resort, Wheelchairs Plus, Shady Shore Resort, MN Clay Target Sports Edu & Training Center, Irene Koski and Cabinet Corner.

ACTION: No further action is needed

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be September 9th 2009, at Bixby's at 8:00 AM.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 AM.