

**Ambassador Committee
Chamber Conference Room
Jan. 13th 2010**

Present: June Johnson, Ann Killian, Andy Mundt, Bobbie McInerny, Peg Schagh, Diane Skelly, Brad Johnson, Stacy Grosse

Chamber Staff: Kerry Larsen & Bud Stone

Call to Order: Andy Mundt called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

UPDATE EMAILS & INFORMATION:

Andy passed around a sheet for committee members to update their contact information for the Ambassador database.

ACTION: Since Andy will be on vacation Kerry will update it for the month of Jan. and send it out to Stacy for future reminders. Kerry will also send it to Andy this one time to start the process moving. Andy will continue each month updating this information and making sure each committee member has the information.

Approval of November 2009 Minutes June Johnson made a motion to approve the November minutes; Diane Skelly seconded; Motion carried

ACTION: No further action is needed.

APPROVAL OF 2010 GOALS & MISSION STATEMENT: Andy went over the Goals and Mission Statement with the committee members. Andy did want to make a change under Expectations. There is a typo in number three. It should say be WELL informed and knowledgeable in basic Chamber information; such as goals, programs and staff. Andy would like to change number seven to read Attend a minimum of fifteen events including greetings, chamber luncheons and breakfast connections.

ACTION: Kerry will make these changes. Bobbi McInerny made a motion to approve the 2010 Goals and Mission Statement with these changes; June Johnson seconded; Motion carried.

Sub-Committee reports:

Greetings: Stacy Grosse is taking over the 2010 sub-committee chair for greetings. Stacy asked for volunteers for the Jan. 27th Breakfast Connection at Grand Itasca. Bobbie McInerny, Diane Skelly and Peggy Schagh have volunteered to greet. Stacy also asked for volunteers for the Feb. 1st Luncheon - John Bennett - Minnesota Extension Center. Brad Johnson, June Johnson and Stacy Grosse have volunteered. Brad Johnson will present the Business Spotlight at that luncheon.

ACTION: Stacy will send an email out reminding the volunteers.

Ribbon Cuttings: Shane could not attend, but has a ribbon cutting set up for Friday, Jan. 15th for Rafferty's. Bobbie McInerny, Stacy Grosse and Peggy Schagh volunteered for this photo. Peggy volunteered to pick up the ribbon and scissors.

ACTION: No further action is needed.

Breakfast Connections: The committee discussed Breakfast connections briefly. Kerry mentioned that a change was made to the March & August 2010 Breakfast Connection. Kerry will let Diane and Ann know of this change. Diane mentioned she would like to invite new members to the Breakfast Connections. Diane will coordinate so each ambassador will call a new member. Kerry reminded the committee members that the new members are listed on the website under www.grandmn.com then click on newsletters. Kerry asked Diane if she could remind Ann to call Grand Itasca about their Breakfast

Connection on Jan. 27th & and please have Diane call Ben from Thrivent Financial for the Feb 24th 2010 breakfast connection. Kerry mentioned that she saw on a website a list of questions to ask for the breakfast connections instead of having one question that you ask all attendees. The committee members thought this was a good idea.

ACTION: Kerry will have the questions ready for the Feb. breakfast connection for sure, but will try for the January one. Diane will remind Ann to call Grand Itasca and Diane will call Thrivent Financial regarding the Feb. breakfast connection.

New members: Kerry updated the committee members on the new members that joined the last couple months. These are Gotta Go Septic, Animal House, Grand Organic Food Market, Novus Auto Glass, Salon Brad and Timescape Photography.

ACTION: No further action is needed.

MEETING TIMES: Andy talked with the committee regarding possibly changing the meeting times and days. When Andy gets back from vacation Andy will send out an email asking what works and does not work for committee members.

ACTION: No further action is needed.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be Feb. 10th at Chamber of Commerce at 8:00 AM. Bud Stone will be presenting Chamber 101 & "The Chamber does what?"

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 AM.