

**Ambassador Meeting  
April 11th 2007  
Bixby's Café'**

**PRESENT:** Lisa Randall, June Johnson, Diane Skelly, Peg Schagh, Fred Trappe, Patti Rhode, Shannon Rajala, Scott Sarkela, Atesha Wourms, Tammi Anderson, Clair Madison, Bobbie McInerney, Shannon Merritt, Atesha Wourms, John Johnson, Peggy Polter, Tammy Lewis, Kristina Clark

**CHAMBER STAFF:** Kerry Larsen

**GUEST:** Karen Lindgren, Chamber Board of Directors Chair

**CALL TO ORDER:** Diane called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

June Johnson motioned to approve the minutes from March 2007; Fred Trappe seconded; motion carried.

**ACTION:** No further action is needed at this time.

**KAREN LINDGREN – CHAIR OF THE CHAMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

Karen visited with the committee members and discussed different projects, policies and other important issues happening within the Chamber of Commerce. Karen invited the members to talk with her regarding any issue that could be important to the membership, Chamber Board or any of the committees. Karen stressed that her door is always open for discussion.

**ACTION:** No further action is needed at this time.

**TASK FORCE LEADER UPDATES:**

**Greetings:** Clair Madison updated the committee on upcoming Ambassador greetings. These consisted of April 16<sup>th</sup> Special Luncheon regarding Blue Cross/Blue Shield: June Johnson & LA Gomez, April 23<sup>rd</sup> Citizen of the Year Reception at the MN Shooting Center: Diane Skelly & Fred Trappe , April 25<sup>th</sup> Breakfast Connection hosted by NE Entr. Fund/Pizza Works: Atesha Wourms, Danielle Daigle, & Diane Skelly. Claire did mention the Opening Fishing BBQ on May 11<sup>th</sup> at the Central School grounds. Claire encouraged as many Ambassadors to come if possible between 4 – 7 p.m.

**ACTION:** Clair will send out reminders to all whom volunteered and continue to ask for volunteers as needed.

**Ribbon Cuttings:** Diane Skelly updated the committee on past ribbon cuttings such as Anderson Brother Auto Sales, Karen Lindgren – Carteret Mortgage, Krystal Kennels, First Choice Mortgage, Flowers by Jennie & Abstract Company.

No further ribbon cuttings have been scheduled at this time.

**ACTION:** Michelle will ask for more volunteers as needed and send reminders to the committee members that volunteered.

**Membership:** June Johnson introduced three more Ambassadors. Kristina Clark from Edward Jones, Peggy Potter & Tammy Lewis from Lakeview Salon.

**Breakfast Connection:** Lisa Randall went over the upcoming Breakfast Connections. –April – NE Entrepreneur Fund, May – American National Insurance – Griemann Agency. June – Habitat for Humanity, July – Kristina Clark, August – Unicef, September – Habitat Store, October – Mary Kay. Lisa reminded the committee members that all of these would be held at Pizza Works at this time. Lisa did mention a November opening that is available.

**ACTION:** No further action is needed at this time.

**Parades:** Diane Skelly discussed the possible options for the Ambassadors regarding the theme/banner for the parades. T & T Design will donate a banner for the committee. A worksheet with different ideas was handed out to the committee members. Diane asked for suggestions and ideas. After a brief discussion the committee decided to have a banner to carry, fun music to go along, and to keep it simple so it can be used for future parades.

**ACTION:** Diane will continue to work on the suggested ideas and have a report at the next meeting in May.

**New Members:** Kerry updated the committee members on new members and explained to the committee these can be found on the website along with the Chamber newsletter.

**ACTION:** No further action is needed at this time.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be May 9th 2007, 8:00 a.m. at Bixby's Café'.

Meeting adjourned

Submitted by Kerry Larsen, Membership and Tourism Coordinator, Chamber of Commerce