

**Ambassador Meeting  
May 9th 2007  
Bixby's Café'**

**PRESENT:** June Johnson, Peg Schagh, Fred Trappe, Scott Sarkela, Clair Madison, John Johnson, Kristina Clark, Dave Scott, Zack Griemann, Kathy Pliska, Diane Skelly. Jane O'Leary, Tammi Anderson, LA Gomez, Michelle Rossi

**CHAMBER STAFF:** Kerry Larsen

**GUEST:** Mona Karkela – Area Business Committee Chair

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

LA Gomez motioned to approve the minutes from April 2007; Scott Sarkela seconded; motion carried.

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

**MONA KARKELA– CHAIR OF THE AREA BUSINESS COMMITTEE:**

Mona visited with the committee members and discussed different projects, policies and other important issues happening within the Area Business Committee. Mona invited the members to join the Area Business Committee.

**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 Opening Fishing BBQ at Central School Grounds on May 11<sup>th</sup> 4-7 p.m. Clair mentioned no time frame is required for volunteering for the Opening Fishing BBQ. If you can make it, please do between 4 – 7 p.m.; Breakfast Connection on May 23<sup>rd</sup> hosted by Griemann Agency and the regular scheduled luncheon on June 4<sup>th</sup> 2007 at the Sawmill Inn. Past greetings consisted of Luncheon on April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2007; Special Luncheon on April 16<sup>th</sup>; The Citizen of the Year banquet and the Breakfast Connection on April 25<sup>th</sup> hosted by NE Entrepreneur Fund Inc.

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

**Ribbon Cuttings:** Michelle Rossi updated the committee on past ribbon cuttings such as on May 3<sup>rd</sup> – Our Gang Staffing, May 8<sup>th</sup> and Firehouse in Coleraine. Upcoming ribbon cuttings are: May 9<sup>th</sup> Edward Jones Kristina Clark and May 15<sup>th</sup> – Northwoods Window Cleaning. 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: N/A**

**Breakfast Connection:** Lisa Randall went over the upcoming Breakfast Connections. –May – American National Insurance – Griemann Agency. June – Habitat for Humanity - RESTORE, July – Kristina Clark – Edward Jones, August – Unicef, October – Mary Kay. Lisa reminded the committee members that all of these would be held at Pizza Works at this time. September and November are open if anyone would like to host a breakfast connection.

ACTION: No further action is needed at this time.

**Parades:** Diane Skelly had a brief discussion regarding the parade on Tall Timber Days weekend, the banner and attire.

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

**New Members:** Kerry updated the committee members on new members at this time Kerry has several pending and will have an update on the new members at the June meeting.

ACTION: No further action is needed at this time.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be June 13th 2007, 8:00 a.m. at Bixby's Café'.

Meeting adjourned

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