

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce May 24, 2010

Present: Leigh Lonson, Jane Bymark, Cheryl Lemler, Lisa Randall, Roger Hoyum, Greg Chandler, David Marty, Megan Christianson, Jake Goering, Stephanie Davis, Kristina Clark, Derek Rolle, Gary McInerney, Margie Ritter

Absent: Kim Jamtgaard, Chad Simons, Amy Trast, Roger Mischke, Diane Skelly, Dave Leveille

Chamber staff: Bud Stone, Renee Thompson, Kerry Larsen

Guests: Marla Beaty

Jake called the meeting to order and asked if there were any additions to the agenda.

Megan Christianson requested that Young Professionals discussion be added to the agenda.

Gary McInerney made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Young Professionals. Roger Hoyum seconded the motion. Motion carried. Agenda approved.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Jake asked for a motion to approve the April 26, 2010 meeting minutes.

Greg made a motion to approve the April 26, 2010 board meeting minutes. David Marty seconded the motion. Motion carried. Minutes approved.

ACTION: No further action necessary.

FINANCIALS

Bud reviewed the April 2010 financials with the board members.

Jane made a motion to accept the April financials. Stephanie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ACTION: No further action necessary.

DUES RECEIVEDABLE

Bud asked for feedback from the board members who contacted members whose dues are outstanding.

ACTION: Bud will follow-up with those he needs to.

GOVERNOR'S FISHING OPENER

Bud informed the board that Grand Rapids will host the 2011 Governor's Fishing opener May 13 – 15, 2011.

The first steering committee meeting will be June 18, 2010.

ACTION: No further action necessary.

MINNESOTA FOREST ECONOMY

Bud distributed and a handout from the DNR explaining how the forest products industry affects the local economy.

ACTION: No further action necessary

UPDATES

Bud gave the following updates:

- **Fishing BBQ** – The fishing opener BBQ went well. About 1000 sandwiches were sold.
- **Future Workers** – Future workers took place on May 6, 2010 and went very well. Great feedback was received for next years planning.

ACTION: No further action necessary.

BIG BROTHER

Renee went through the big brother assignments.

ACTION: Kerry will continue to set up these assignments as new members join.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS DISCUSSION

Megan wanted to discuss the options for future of the Young Professionals Committee.

After brief discussion, several board members expressed they did not know if they fit into the "young professional" age group to attend the events. Other board members felt that the committee's goals and mission needs to be better defined.

It was suggested that when making announcements or extending invitations to attend YP events, that the committee's goals and mission be stated and the definition of a Young Professional be outlined.

ACTION: No further action necessary.

NEXT MEETING:

The next board meeting will be at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, June 28, 2010 at the Forest Lake Restaurant.

Gary made a motion to adjourn. Leigh seconded the motion; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.