

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce September 28, 2009

Present: Margie Ritter, Megan Christianson, June Johnson, Gary McInerney, Kim Jamtgaard, Lisa Randall, Brandon Sharp, Dave Leveille, Amy Trast, Jake Goering, Cheryl Lemler, Greg Chandler, Jane Bymark, Sherry Frick, David Marty

Incoming board members: Roger Mischke, Stephanie Davis, Diane Skelly, Kristina Clark, Derek Rolle, Leigh Lonson

Absent: Peggy Schagh, Mike laizzo, Chad Simons, Sholom Blake

Chamber staff: Bud Stone, Renee Thompson

Guests:

Margie called the meeting to order and asked that any additions to the agenda be held until the October meeting due to the limited time of this board meeting.

Margie then asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Gary McInerney made a motion to approve the agenda. Amy Trast seconded the motion. Motion carried. Agenda approved.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Margie asked for a motion to approve the August 31, 2009 meeting minutes.

June Johnson made a motion to approve the August 31, 2009 meeting minutes. Greg Chandler seconded the motion. Motion carried. Minutes approved.

ACTION: No further action necessary.

FINANCIALS

Bud reviewed the August 2009 financials with the board members.

Jane Bymark made a motion to accept the August financials. Brandon Sharp seconded the motion. Motion carries.

ACTION: No further action necessary.

BIG BROTHER

Due to Kerry's absence, this item will be reviewed at the next board meeting.

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

DUES TASK FORCE

Margie informed the board that the Dues Taskforce met on September 3, 2009 to review and discuss the survey results.

The outcome of the meeting was to leave the dues schedule as is.

Bud explained that several years back, dues were raised a percentage vs. a lump sum amount. That and several other factors have made it difficult to determine how some dues maybe this way and others are another way.

Greg indicated that he feels due diligence has been done and made a motion to leave the dues schedule as is. This motion is in keeping with the motion made at the February 23, 2009 Board Meeting, which capped the dues for banks and credit unions at \$3,500 until such a time as the Dues Structure Task Force made its recommendations to the Board, before the 2009-year end. Gary McInerney seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ACTION: No further action necessary.

GOVERNORS FISHING OPENER

Bud asked the board for volunteers for a chair and co-chair for the GFO if Grand Rapid's proposal is accepted.

Kim Jamtgaard volunteered to be a co-chair. Megan, Dave LeVeille, Jane, Cheryl and Lisa also all volunteered.

ACTION: No further action necessary.

WALLEYE CLASSIC

Bud informed the board that the Walleye Classic Committee has decided to change the format of the Walleye Classic to a "Catch, Record, Release" format. The Catch, Record, Release format is a format where participants take a picture of their fish while on a ruler. The length of the fish is then converted into pounds using a DNR provided formula. All fish are then released back into the lake. No fish are placed in a watercraft live well or weighed on a scale at a weigh-in station.

Bud then reviewed the current list of sponsors with the board.

ACTION: No further action necessary.

NEXT MEETING:

The next board meeting will be at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, October 26, 2009 at Timberlake Lodge.

Dave Leveille made a motion to adjourn. Amy Trast seconded the motion; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.