

MINUTES

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce
April 8, 2009 – Depot Conference Room

Present: David Marty, Linda Gibeau, Melissa Swenson, Amy Trast, Karen Lindgren, Bonnie Henriksen

Chamber Staff: Renee Thompson, Bud Stone

Karen Lindgren called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the March 10, 2009 meeting minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Linda Gibeau made a motion to approve the March 10, 2009 meeting minutes. Amy Trast seconded the motion; motion carries.

ACTION: No further action necessary.

LUNCHEON DISCUSSION/ FUTURE LUNCHEONS

May:	ESSAR Steel MN	Sponsor:	Chisholm/Hibbing Airport
June:	Lake Country Power - Rick Lemonds	Sponsor:	Diamond Willow
August:	Better Business Bureau	Sponsor:	United Way
September:	Blandin Foundation	Sponsor:	Reif Center
October:	WFD Committee – Job Skills	Sponsor:	
November:		Sponsor:	Grand Itasca
December:		Sponsor:	

The committee felt that Shawn Gillen did an excellent job presenting at the April Chamber luncheon.

Linda informed the committee that Jim Hoolihan and Marian Barcus, Chair of the Blandin Foundation, are available to speak at the September luncheon.

ACTION: No further action necessary.

GOLF OUTING

Karen asked the committee members to each pick 5-10 Chamber members to contact for Golf Outing donations.

The committee discussed selecting 10 larger prizes to display with “Chance” buckets where golfers could place their door prize tickets into the bucket of their choice for a chance to win that prize.

Amy volunteered to make the buckets if the committee decides to “spice it up” a bit this year in regards to the prizes.

Bud will contact members for hole sponsorships this month.

ACTION: The committee will discuss options for the prizes once they are all collected.

ANNUAL DINNER ENTERTAINMENT

David Marty suggested that the committee go with C. Willie Myles for the Annual Dinner Entertainment this year.

The committee agreed C. Willie Myles was a good choice.

ACTION: David will check to see if C. Willie Myles is available on January 16, 2009.

Amy Trast made motion to adjourn. Linda Gibeau seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Next meeting date will be May 4, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. at the Sawmill Inn (after the Chamber luncheon).

Submitted by: Renee Thompson, Administrative Assistant and Finance Coordinator.