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PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce
September 1, 2011 – Depot meeting room

Present: David Marty, Tammy Jensen

Chamber Staff: Renee Thompson, Bud Stone

David called the meeting to order and tabled approving the August 4, 2011, meeting minutes until the next meeting.

ACTION: The August 4, 2011 meeting minutes will be approved at the October 6, 2011 committee meeting.

LUNCHEON DISCUSSION/ FUTURE LUNCHEONS

- September – Jim Christmas, North Homes Sponsor: Reif Center
- October – MN Orchestra Sponsor: ODC
- November - DNR Commissioner, Tom Landwehr Sponsor: MN Deer Hunters
- December - Itasca County Adm – Trish Kline Sponsor:

Bud proposed a speaker he had heard that spoke about hiring applicants with a criminal record.

Committee discussion took place. The committee decided to consult with Vic Williams before making a decision on whether or not to pursue the speaker.

ACTION: Bud will contact Vic regarding his thoughts on the issue.

2012 ANNUAL DINNER RFP'S

The RFP's for the Annual Dinner were reviewed and discussed. David made a motion to have the 2012 annual dinner at Ruttgers. Tammy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ACTION: Renee will send letters to the members who replied to the RFP.

CONFERENCE CALL WITH THE MINNESOTA ORCHESTRA

Those present participated in a conference call with the Mele from the Minnesota Orchestra regarding their presentation at the October luncheon.

Sara Hicks, who will be presenting, will be focusing on the impact of arts on the health of the community and the economic role it plays.

ACTION: No further action necessary.

David made a motion to adjourn. Tammy seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

The next Program Committee meeting will be October 6, 2011 at 8:30 a.m. at the Depot Commons meeting room.

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