

Ridgefield Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting Minutes

Attending Members: Dawn Bell, Rachel Coker, Scott Flury, Sharif Burdzik, Kristeen Millett, John Rose, Steve Dronen

Absent: Gus Farah, Jim Holder, Kelli Monteji, Rob Aichele, Neil Daly

FRIENDLY ATTENDANCE POLICY REMINDER: *Each member of the Board of Directors shall attend at least nine (9) monthly meetings of the Board per year.*

Meeting held: 07/07/23: Corwin Board Room

2023 Board President, Dawn Bell, called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

STANDING ITEMS

1. Secretary's Report – June 2023 meeting minutes reviewed. John 1st, Dawn 2nd, approved with no changes.
2. Treasurer Report – Scott reported \$12,773.58 in checking; \$2,664.88 in Savings. Dawn confirmed that the \$448 from the 2022 Oktoberfest has been received..
3. Community and Membership Update – Membership kits; contacting both new prospects and existing members. Many new members signing up at Bronze level, also monthly payments.
4. Ribbon Cuttings & Blue Crew – Kristeen: August 1st – Vancouver high school job/grad program. Use ribbon cutting offer to attract new members. For contributions generated from Amphitheater volunteering, will take 10% as an admin fee, up to \$150 per event. Open to new opportunities for nonprofits as long as they join as a Gold member. Discussion of golf tournament or dinner/auction to fundraise.

OLD BUSINESS

- Raptors Night – need to confirm a date with Gus. Dawn will follow up. John found that for \$1,000, can get the room, 40 tickets, 40 drink tickets, and an appetizer buffet.
- Scholarships – John talked with several seniors, as did Dawn. Our application was seen as too onerous with the presentation requirement – most others are just an application.

NEW BUSINESS

- No new business.

ONGOING MONTHLY ITEMS

1. Wine Down Wednesday's
 - Chamber to expense \$150 for each Wine Down for food.
 - Jul: Latte Da
 - Aug: BevRidge

- Sep: TBD
- Oct: TBD
- Nov: Windy Hills pie giveaway
- Dec: holiday celebration

2. Events / Speakers for Lunches –

- Jul: Developers Panel
- Aug: HR Panel
- Sep: TBD (CAPS & MAPS?)
- Oct: Civic Update with mayors
- Nov: Elections, chamber business
- Dec: TBD, if meeting is held

3. First Saturdays:

- July: need to confirm the specifics, also who's volunteering
- National Night Out – application submitted

4. Member Spotlights:

- July: Washington Trust Bank
- August: ilani

Signatures:

President, Dawn Bell : _____ Date _____

Secretary, Sharif Burdzik: _____(signed)_____ Date _____

*******Next meeting: Friday August 4, 2023, 9:00 AM*******

Meeting Adjourned: 9:55 AM