

Ridgefield Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting Minutes

Attending Members: Dawn Bell, Sharif Burdzik, John Rose, Jim Holder, Kristeen Millett, Gus Farah, Kelli Montei, Steve Dronen

Absent: Neil Daly, Scott Flury, Rob Aichele

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: 11/03/23: Ridgefield Craft Brewing

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

STANDING ITEMS

1. Secretary's Report – October 2023 meeting minutes reviewed. Kelli 1st, Steve 2nd, approved with no changes.
2. Treasurer Report – Dawn reported \$16,135 in checking. Jim will confirm, but our revenues may be over \$50k, meaning we can no longer file the 990 postcard and may need a full return.

OLD BUSINESS

- Website redesign. Kristeen will have this ready for proofing in early December.

NEW BUSINESS

- Board meeting location – Kristeen to check with Country Café so we can meet and have breakfast at the board meetings.
- Bylaws – will get feedback from board by email about changing board terms to one year instead of two, also keeping officer positions at 2 years.
- 2024 elections to be held soon. Dawn willing to be President again, VP is open (possibly someone active from La Center) Scott is willing to serve as Treasurer again, and so is Sharif as Secretary.
- With Rachel leaving the board, and John starting to split his time in Las Vegas, Barb Holbrook has agreed to take over Chamber Master, Gus to lead CAPS/MAPS/Scholarship, Kelli to lead Events Committee.
- Circle of Trees – RF Chamber to again decorate a tree, possibly again a ribbon cutting theme. Kristeen, Dawn, and Kelli will coordinate this.

ONGOING MONTHLY ITEMS

1. Wine Down Wednesday's –
 - Nov: Windy Hills pie giveaway on the 15th. 4-7pm. Gus will sponsor the pies; Dawn placing the order. John will coordinate up to \$500 in wine and food for the event.


- Dec: holiday celebration, Columbia Ridge, Dec 20th from 4-7pm. Will need an outside caterer – Steve to coordinate up to \$1,000 in wine and food.

2. Events / Speakers for Lunches –

- Nov: no lunch meeting; pie giveaway at Wine Down instead (Windy Hills)
- Dec: no lunch meeting; holiday celebration at Wine Down instead (Columbia Ridge)
- Jan: awards at member meeting

Signatures:

President, Dawn Bell : _____ Date _____

Secretary, Sharif Burdzik:  Date 11/03/2023

*******Next meeting: Friday December 1, 2023, 9:00 AM*******

Meeting Adjourned: 9:54 AM