

Ridgefield Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting Minutes

Attending Members: Dawn Bell, Rachel Coker, Scott Flury, Sharif Burdzik, John Rose, Jim Holder, Rob Aichele, Kristeen Millett

Absent: Gus Farah, Kelli Montei, Steve Dronen, 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: 09/01/23: PepsiCo Board Room

2023 Board President, Dawn Bell, called the meeting to order at 9:04am.

STANDING ITEMS

1. Secretary's Report – July 2023 meeting minutes reviewed. Scott 1st, Dawn 2nd, approved with no changes.
2. Treasurer Report – Scott reported \$14,926.62 in checking; \$3,765.48 in Savings. Opened separate checking account (owned by RCC) for easier tracking of Blue Crew funds.
3. Community and Membership Update – Rob retorted Multicultural Festival tomorrow 9/2/23, Oktoberfest next week 9/9/23; Rachel created collateral to highlight member benefits for current members and prospects – in Chamber's Google Drive.
4. Ribbon Cuttings & Blue Crew – Kristeen reported concession commissions and tips as strong – RCC makes 10% service fee on commissions. Blazers are being purchased personally by the Blue Crew members.

OLD BUSINESS

- Website redesign. Kristeen walked us through the draft updates she's built for our new website.

NEW BUSINESS

- Board meeting location – Rachel's last day with PepsiCo is 9.7.23, and we'll need a new location. Dawn to research, most likely the RACC, possibly the Port or another location.
- 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 at the November lunch meeting. To discuss at board retreat on Sunday 10/8/23, most likely at Dawn's house.

ONGOING MONTHLY ITEMS

1. Wine Down Wednesday's –
 - Chamber to expense \$150 for each Wine Down for food.

- Sep: Bunnie's Pizza
- Oct: Podunk Pizza, La Center
- Nov: Windy Hills pie giveaway
- Dec: holiday celebration, location TBD

2. Events / Speakers for Lunches –

- Sep: RHS CAPS & WSUV MAPS
- Oct: Civic Update with mayors
- Nov: Elections, chamber business?
- Dec: TBD, if meeting is held

3. Saturday Events –

- September 2nd First Saturday – need more volunteers for set-up, tear down, working the booth.
- September 9th – Experience Ridgefield and Oktoberfest – need more volunteers.

4. Member Spotlights:

- September: BevRidge
- October: Port of Ridgefield (to confirm)
- November: IQ Credit Union (to confirm)
- December: Oasis Dental (to confirm)

Signatures:

President, Dawn Bell : _____

Date _____

Secretary, Sharif Burdzik:



Date 09/01/2023

*******Next meeting: Friday October 6, 2023, 9:00 AM*******
Meeting Adjourned: 10:01 AM