

OUR MISSION:

The Ridgefield Chamber of Commerce mission is to promote and connect the business community with the development of goals, programs, with education that cultivates growth and prosperity

Date | time 3/1/2024 9:00 AM | Meeting called by Dawn (at Tri-Mountain Golf and Zoom meeting)

<u>Board & Committee Members:</u> Dawn Bell, President | Chuck Crider, Vice President | Sharif Burzdik, Events Director | Michael Hanna, Secretary | Scott Flury, Treasurer | Jim Holder, Past President | Kelli Montei, Events Director | Gus Farah, Scholarship Director | Steve Dronen, Events Director | Neil Daly, Director | Kristeen Millett, Blue Crew Director | Shauna Jacobson, Marketing Director | Cindy Lebeau, Membership Director | Rob Aichele, City Council | Barb Holbrook, Chamber master Director |

AGENDA	A ITEM	WHO
Executive Board Meeting		Dawn, Chuck,
Meeting Called to Order: 8:32am Exec Members Present: Chuck Crider, Dawn Bell, Michael Hanna Exec Members Absent: Scott Flury		Michael, Scott
Discussio	on: Several topics were discussed and proposed Motions were prepared.	
Meeting A	Adjourned:8:51am	
Board Mo	leeting	Chamber Board
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- a. 111 current paying members and 6 courtesy memberships
- b. 5 new members
- c. 15 members were dropped
- d. 12 Gold, 9 Silver, 32 Bronze, 61 individual memberships
- e. Collected \$3,850 in past dues, and \$7774.95 collected overall for February.
- f. MOTION: Cindy Lebeau moved to charge \$5 per non-members to attend lunch meeting events. Seconded by Michael Hanna. Motion passed.
- 4. Education-WEDA/MAPS/CAPS
 - a. Tamara Hoodenpyl at School District is taking over the Scholarship program
 - b. Will have an online form (Google Form) for Scholarship Applications, with May 1 cutoff
- 5. Ribbon Cuttings
 - a. Bob's automotive 3-1, 11:00am
 - b. Ridgefield Hair Specialist Date TBD
 - c. (Ribbon Cuttings being put on the Calendar)
- 6. Community Update
 - a. new business report from city

Ongoing Monthly Items

- Chamber Board
- 1. Wine Down Wednesday (ask venue to donate a bottle of wine for raffle, or provide food)
 - a. March 20th Ridgefield Craft Brewing
 - b. April 17th TBD
- 2. Members Meetings topics and speakers
 - a. Mar 26th Clark Regional District @ BevRidge
 - b. Apr -TBD
- 3. First Saturdays:
 - a. Who wants to participate?
 - b. Business owners
 - i. March- Color Run (Dawn)
 - ii. April-Ridgefield Green Clean (Neil)
 - iii. May-Spring Festival (Cindy)
 - İ۷. June: Big Paddle (Kristeen)
 - July: Market & Street Fair (Barb) V.
 - Aug: City days (Scott) νi.
 - Sept: Multicultural Festival (Jim) vii.
 - viii. Oct: Birdfest & BlueGrass (Shauna)
 - Nov: Make a difference (Steve) iχ.
 - Dec: Hometown Celebration (all Board members to decorate Χ. tree)
- 4. Member Spotlight- We need to invite business owners/managers to our events!

- a. Feb Les Schwab b. Mar 26th -WA Trust Bank (ACTION ITEM: Gus Farah will call Amy Price, and ask for photo for featured image) c. Apr 30 -PepsiCo d. May 28 -Live Nation e. June 25 - Bev Ridge f. July 30 - Mounted Patrol g. Aug (TBD) h. Sept (TBD) i. Oct (TBD) j. Nov (TBD) k. Dec (TBD) **Old Business** Chamber Board 1. RMS Wine Walk - March 9th and Nov 2024 2. Welcome Bags – deliver? Or contribute? Joannie gave big thank you for \$200 donation to CTE for RHS. **New Business** 1. Scholarship – 3- \$1000. Senior Dessert Day is May 30, 6:30-8:00pm.We should have these reviewed by May 1st. a. Scholarship giveaway is May 30th b. MOTION: Dawn Bell moves to increase Scholarships to \$2000 each for budget year 2025, and still allocate 3 scholarships. Seconded by Michael Hanna.
 - AMENDMENT: Gus Farah moved to amend to \$1500. i. Seconded by Dawn, Amendment PASSED.
 - ii. Amended motion PASSED.
 - 2. Business/school collaboration
 - a. MOTION: Shauna Stout moved to donate \$200 to Ridgefield High School Industry Hiring Fair. Seconded by Dawn Bell. **Motion PASSED.**
 - 3. Gus Proposed Raptors Wine Night with Chamber June 26th
 - a. MOTION: Dawn Bell moved to purchase tickets for Raptors Game Season 24 at a cost of \$852 for 4 tickets each game across 15 games, for our Gold Members only. Seconded by **Chuck Crider. Motion passed.**
 - 4. STEM Industry Day
 - a. June 5- Looking for STEM Businesses
 - b. ACTION ITEM: Dawn Bell will forward contact information to Michael Hanna (CloudAutom8.ai) will coordinate booth, volunteers, etc...
 - 5. Welcome Bags for New Homeowners
 - a. Promote to members in Newsletter so member business can add items

Chamber Board

Resignations: a. Steve Dronen b. Rob Aichele - City Council	
Events	Chamber Board
1. State of the City @ Ridgefield High School Art Center: March 19	
Open Discussion	Chamber Board
Speed Networking?	
2. Call out to members about First Sat booth?	
Board Meeting Adjourned: 9:58am	Dawn

Signatures:		
President, Dawn Bell :	Date	
Secretary, Michael Hanna:	Madd	03/03/2024

*****Next meeting: Friday April 5, 2024, 9:00 AM*****