

West I-10 Chamber of Commerce

P. O. Box 100, Pattison, Texas 77466

Board of Directors Meeting

June 8, 2011, 8:00AM

At

Igloo 1st Floor Conference Room

**Board of Directors: Greg Turner, Pat Doucette, Deborah Tallman,
Jim Vaughn, Michael Montgomery, Marla Van Overbeke, Rosemary Gambino**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Attendees: Greg Turner, Pat Doucette, Jim Vaughn, Rosemary Gambino, Deborah Tallman, and Committee
Chairs: Paul McConnell, Kathryn McAdams Wilson

Absent: Michael Montgomery, Marla Van Overbeke

- A) Quorum recognized and the meeting was called to order at 8:00a.m. by Greg Turner. Director Rosemary Gambino provided invocation.

Action Items:

- B) Motion was made by Jim Vaughn, second by Rosemary Gambino, to approve the Minutes of the May 4, 2011, Board of Directors meeting . No discussion. All in favor/Motion passed unanimously.
- C) After review and discussion of the financial statements, motion was made by Deborah Tallman, second by Rosemary Gambino, to approve financial statements and bills to pay through May 31, 2011, (filed in 2010-2011 financial binder). Motion passed unanimously
- D) Motion was made by Rosemary Gambino, second by Jim Vaughn, to approve business membership application of Severn Trent Services , Inc. Motion passed unanimously
- E) Discussion and action to consider Board & committee workshop by Art Roberts – was deferred to the July Directors meeting

Discussion Items:

F) Committee Reports

- 1) **Education Committee (Robert and Julie Ormond)** – Rosemary reported on the June 3rd RISD Teacher Appreciation Luncheon.. The recipients of the West I-10 Chamber of Commerce Teacher Spirit Awards campus (Melanie Bilyeu-Royal ECC; Kathy Smith – Royal Elementary; Coach Raymond Wilson-Royal Jr. High; Dawn Richardson-Royal High School) were surprised and most appreciative of the awards from the Chamber as well as the certificates from Congressman McCaul. ACTION: KATHRYN to get photos from Julie Ormond for news article.
- 2) **Membership Directory (Marla Van Overbeke and Daphne Bottos)** – Not present to report
- 3) **Programs (Pat Doucette & Rosemary Gambino)** Due to the special Texas Legislative session going on, Dr. John Zerwas will not be available to speak at the regularly scheduled June 14th luncheon. The luncheon will be rescheduled for June 28th. ACTION: KATHRYN to confirm date and send out notices

immediately. It was not decided to postpone the July luncheon speaker and/or to replace the scheduled July 12 with an evening business mixer at LaQuinta poolside. ACTION: KATHRYN to speak with Steve Pierson and confirm whether or not he is prepared to present program on YMCA on July 12th. . PAT is to talk to Texas Children's Hospital regarding possible tour and business mixer at the TCH West Campus

- 4) **Fundraising: (Pat Doucette)** – Pat has not been able to co-ordinate with Larry Hayes of First Services Credit Union on future fundraising project – but has recruited Steve Pierson to help with the fundraising committee.
- 5) **Membership (Karl Skadowski)**. Not present to report.
- 6) **Government Affairs (Adam Traweek)** – Email from Adam reporting working with Kathryn regarding Chamber's involvement in issue of CenterPoint Energy's proposed Fayetteville-Zenith project. There was a misconception of the project's effect on Waller County. ACTION: GREG to contact Adam for updates prior to the July board meeting. The next Governmental Affairs Committee meeting is scheduled for the third Wednesday of July.
- 7) **Ambassadors (Stephen Alaniz)**. Not present; no report.
- 8) **Website (Paul McConnell)** – Paul reported no updates. ACTION: PAUL to post announcement on website that Texas Children's Hospital is the Title Sponsor for the 2011 banquet.
- 9) **Public Relations & Advertising (Michael Montgomery)** - Not present to report.
- 10) **Economic Development (Jon Strange)** - Not present to report. Next EDC meeting is Wednesday, June 15th, 7:30 a.m., at Igloo. Bill Fendley of the Waller County Transportation Authority will be the guest speaker.
- 11) **Nominating Committee** - (Anthony Francis) : Adam Traweek will be running for Michael Montgomery's seat on the board in September. Due to Michael's schedule, he will not be seeking reelection.
- 12) **Annual Banquet (Roberta Meader) –November 12th** – Great news to report: Texas Children's Hospital has committed to the \$5,000 Title Sponsorship. ACTION: GREG to write press release for next week's media blast. The next Banquet Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 16th 8:00a.m. at the Cotton Gin. With the title sponsor, venue, and speaker in place, we will concentrate for the next two months on banquet sponsors and PR.

G) Old Business:

- 1) **Admin. Manager's Report (Kathryn) – Membership renewals status** – Total of 39 renewals to date. ACTION: Kathryn to follow-up with members who have yet to renew and re-send renewal notices to members who have not yet paid 2011 dues.
- 2) Follow-up items from planning retreat (see attached); set dates to complete –Greg to follow up with Karl and Stephen on their progress.
- 3) Signature card at bank; make sure it's current – Greg and Rosemary to go to Enterprise Bank to execute new signature card. ACTION: Board approval of a motion designating Greg and Rosemary as signatories, and removing Darleen St. Jean and Paul McConnell, will be on the Agenda next month.

H) New Business

- 1) 2011 Christmas cards – tabled to next director's meeting. Discussed using Christmas cards from Texas Children's Hospital.
 - 2) Banquet title sponsor status –Texas Children's Hospital to be Title Sponsor
- I) Open discussion & other business: no other business. – Rosemary updated the board on the study area and effects of the proposed CenterPoint project of high voltage power lines to routed through Waller County and notice of Waller County Commissioners Court public meeting on Tuesday, June 14 at the PAVFD.

J) Closing

- 1) Next Meeting Date: **Wednesday, July 6, 2011, at 12:00 noon.**
- 2) Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Kathryn McAdams Wilson
For/Rosemary Gambino, Secretary