

QUARTERLY MEMBER MEETING NOTES

July 10, 2018

Corner Café, Belleville, WI

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chuck Martin, Laura Vorpahl, Bronna Lehmann, Karin Henning, Mark Schwoegler, Tiffany Schade, Corey Brozyna, Brian Wilson, Diane O'Connor, Jessica Butenhoff, Whitney Anderson and Janice Chavez

AGENDA:

- Treasurer's Updates (Chuck) – scholarships were awarded; money to be transferred from scholarship account to working fund by Mark; advertising bills to get caught up on with Post Messenger Recorder
- Super Committee Meeting Update (Laura/Chuck) – Chuck encourages everyone on a community group to use google calendar as it will expedite the sharing of calendars across the community; CDA is working on a main street theme; EDC is working on business retention
- Support activities for Bastille Day Lakefest 7/14 (Laura and Mark) – please visit the Chamber's website or event facebook page and volunteer as many are needed for this upcoming event
- Update on Village position to help with Chamber responsibilities (Brian) – working with a university in Illinois to attempt to get a 2-year intern that would be a grad student, however, university has more projects than interns but still working on it for us; if one is not acquired by August, next option is to go to Edgewood College for a marketing intern or create a part-time position to hire
- Results of the May Business Education Workshop – great discussion and idea-sharing about the desire to continue to offer these sessions; options for fall include Chuck providing internet education targeted to what small businesses should know for security and free services or Bronna has someone to speak on employment law; survey chamber members to see what topics of are interest and whether they prefer a lunch or evening session before proceeding
- Results of the Garage Sale Weekend in May – great turnout and weather; Corey reported the Kiwanis had a very successful day using the old library building in the park
- Next Business Networking session- shooting for September in partnership with the Ligonberry Llama (Jon Cleveland and Janice Chavez)
- UFO Days Planning – October 27; discussed safety concerns which will result in some changes for this year; Chamber will do outreach to previous participants well in advance of the event to discuss options to ensure increased safety for attendees; discussion about concerns with Community Club hosting a beer tasting event the same day; encourage Chamber members to attend Community Club Meeting on July 26 at 7 pm at Ale House for their next meeting to discuss further. Brian will remind Community Club regarding special event permit held by Chamber for Library Park.

- Next Quarterly Meeting – October 2nd with location TBD; 2019 Annual Membership Meeting TBD
- Christen Brothers has a 35 year anniversary this year; Chamber coordinating a presentation of congratulations to be held within the next couple of weeks
- EDC provided printed materials (placemats/posters and table tents) showing local events for the summer; will do so again in the fall; Chamber has extra supplies if you need any
- Friends of the Library is selling raffle tickets for a fund raiser – stop by the library or check out the Friends of the Library facebook page for more information on how you can participate.