

Board of Director's Meeting Minutes from February 9,2009.

Meeting called to order at 5:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Directors Present: Mike Haller, Sandy Bolsoni, Lee Boswell, Tony Vinezeano, Rich Krooswyk, Caren Crowley, Lucy Longfellow, Don Bender, and Michelle DePaolis.

Directors Absent: Gary Hase, Nick Campbell and Jim Umland .

Guests Present: Dan Tovo, Doug Horne and Vicki Werich

REMINDER: ALL CHAMBER MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND OUR BOARD MEETINGS.

REPORTS

Secretary's Report: The Board approved January's meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report: The board approved January's financial report.

Membership Committee: As of this meeting we currently have 60 members. Any memberships received after our monthly meeting will be reported at the next meeting.

RECENT/UPCOMING CHAMBER EVENTS: PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

The Monee Chamber Members Appreciation Dinner- **February 28, 2009**

It will again be at Lincolnshire County Club in Crete. Please RSVP to Sandy Bolsoni to reserve your spot!

The Ralph Fehland award will be announced at the Annual Chamber Appreciation Dinner.

Monee Elementary PTO Spaghetti Dinner is **February 21st from 4-7.**

The Chamber will have a table at this event. If you would like to help out or even drop off some of your business information, please contact Mike Haller at 708-212-4133.

Eastern Will County Senior Services will be hosting a Business After Hours on **March 19th from 5-7.** Please mark your calendar to attend. This is a perfect opportunity to "network" your business!

Don't forget to bring your business cards to pass out!!

Nobody can promote your business better than you!!!!

If you are interested in hosting a **Business after Hours**, please contact Michelle DePaolis (708-534-6924) for available dates for 2009. This is always a good way of advertising **your** business!

Communication/Marketing

The chamber's membership form is on the website. Our annual membership /renewal

form for 2009 is now in progress. Great news for both new and existing members as this year the board voted to decrease this years membership to \$50.

The current economy was a HUGE factor in this issue as Chambers across the country are also affected by decreasing membership. The Chamber felt that in order not to loose existing members or even possible new membership it would give EVERY BUSINESS an opportunity to join or rejoin the Chamber and still have benefit to “network” your business through the chamber. More information will be at the Chamber Appreciation dinner this month.

Village Update

None

New Business

The Board voted on decreasing the 2009-2010 membership to \$50. More information will be available at the upcoming Chamber Appreciation Dinner.

Election 2009 is fast approaching. Again the Chamber is looking to host another Town Hall Mtg-Candidates Forum before the election. This will be an opportunity for Q & A with the candidates running for office. More information to come in the next few weeks.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 5th 5 pm @ Frankie's Pizza!

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle DePaolis
Secretary, Monee Area Chamber of Commerce