
Anthony Chamber of Commerce

Board of Directors Minutes

August 21, 2008

A regular meeting of the Anthony Chamber of Commerce was held on August 21, 2008, at Smokehouse Café & Grill. Board of Directors present was Diana Busby, Bryant Anderson, Lori Allen, Karen Younce, Vicky Knapic, Ron Poor, Mary Hixson, Mary Thomas and Gwen Warner. Absent was J.D. Hays. Also present was Jean Barber.

President Diana Busby called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. A motion was made by Karen Younce, seconded by Mary Thomas, to approve the July 17, 2008 minutes. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- ❑ **Municipal Hall Events Board Report** – J.D. Hays was unable to attend the meeting so this report was tabled.
- ❑ **Anthony For The Arts (October 4)** – Diana Busby, *Anthony for the Arts* chairman, reported that Cammi Hostetler's dance students would be unable to perform at the Fall Fest this year. Karen Ryan, chairman for the pole decorating contest, has requested that the proceeds from the contest be donated to the *Thrift Shop* Roof. A motion was made by Mary Thomas, seconded by Ron Poor for the proceeds from the contest to go to the *Thrift Shop* Roof. Motion Carried. The *Congregational Church* will hold their German Fest at noon this year instead of 5 p.m. Bob Tedder will have a 15-minute melodrama with the location to be announced.
- ❑ **Veterans Day Program** – Cynda Carr has volunteered to chair the Veterans Day Program again this year. We will be looking for someone to chair the hospitality since the Harper County Centennial Celebration takes place the previous weekend. BarBara Wright has been the chairman in the past and she will be tied up with the Centennial this year.
- ❑ **Ribbon Cutting** – President, Diana Busby reported on the ribbon cutting at the Interfaith Housing Open House on August 16. The Chamber Ambassadors reported it was a great success and were informed that six more units have been spoken for when they are built.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Review July Financial** – The Board reviewed and approved the July Financial.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) **Approval of Nominating Committee** – A motion was made by Ron Poor, seconded by Mary Thomas to approve the presidents appointment of the nominating committee consisting of Bryant Anderson, chairman, J.D. Hays, Sandy Wellbrock and Gwen Warner. Motion Carried. A slate of nominees will need to be presented to the Executive Director by the September 18th meeting.

- 2) **Computer Fund Donation** – President, Diana Busby reported that Sherrie Eaton (Jetts Store) donated \$1,200 from the sale from the green bag promotion to the Chamber Computer fund. She also donated the bags for the pilot's package at balloon fest as well as 32 the bags for the welcome wagon that goes out this month. The board was very appreciative of Sherrie's generosity.
- 3) **Anthony Books** – Discussion was held on whether or not we should consider updating and re-print the Anthony Book. This matter was tabled until Gwen can get price quotes to present to the board.
- 4) **Kansas Department of Transportation** – The board reviewed a handout from the Kansas Department of Transportation concerning their 10-year Comprehensive Transportation Plan. Meetings are scheduled in Wichita, Hutchinson and Topeka in September for those interested in attending.
- 5) **Area Profile** – The area profile that we have been including in the welcome wagon packets is very outdated and Gwen asked if we someone who would be willing to update those facts and figures. The board suggested contacting Mike Lanie at the Economic Development Office to see what information his office had.
- 6) **Chamber's 90th Anniversary** – Gwen reminded the board of our 90th anniversary so that we can be thinking about what, if any activities we would like to consider in 09.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Vicky Knapic explained what a *Washers Tournament* was. The tournament will be held in the East Park beginning at 2 p.m. Early bird registrations is \$25 per team or after September 20th \$30 per team. Prizes are 1st place \$200, 2nd place \$100 and 3rd place is \$50. This event will be a Chamber Fundraiser during *the Anthony For The Arts Fun Fest*.
- The State Fair Schedule was passed around for those wishing to sign up to work.
- Gwen reported that Lori Ann Hamilton, Christine Mayo, Jennifer Wolff and Jan Lanie have volunteered to assist with delivering welcome wagon packets this month.
- Gwen reported to the board that she had given a pledge to the Theater Project in the amount of \$434.

Meeting adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Gwen Warner, Executive Director.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❑ Minority-Owned & Women Owned Business Awards Luncheon – October 16
- ❑ The next Chamber meeting is September 4, 2008 at Smokehouse Café & Supper Club.
- ❑ The next Retail Meeting is September 16 at 8:30 a.m. at the Chamber office.
- ❑ The Harper County Courthouse Centennial is November 8, 2008
- ❑ Sunflower Arts & Crafts Show & Crazy Quilters Quilt Show is November 8, 2008
- ❑ Christmas Arts & Crafts Show is December 6, 2008