
Anthony Chamber of Commerce

Board of Directors Minutes

January 3, 2018

A regular meeting of the Anthony Chamber of Commerce was held January 3, 2018. Directors present were Curt Clark, Ron Poor, Eric Smith, Pat Myers, Donna Crowe, Kayla Brown, Janie Gates, Bette DeMeritt and Gwen Warner. Absent were, Wes Higgs, Jim Forsyth and Mike Lanie. Also present was Paul Southwick.

President Curt Clark, called the meeting to order. Motion by Pat Myers, seconded by Janie Gates, to approve the December 6, 2017 minutes. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Retail Chairman** – Gwen Warner announced that Sheila Adams (Country At Heart) has volunteered to fill the retail chairman position.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **Annual Meeting** – Discussion was held on the upcoming annual meeting. Theme chosen to be used was *“Honoring the Past, Treasuring the Present, Shaping the Future”*. The meal will consist of Irmal’s Soup, Kristy’s sandwiches, homemade cookies, coffee & water. Motion by Ron Poor, seconded by Pat Myers to charge just \$15 per person for the annual meeting tickets. Motion Carried.
- **Fundraising** – Donna Crowe reported on her progress on the possible Wine & Dine black tie affair table decorating contest as a fundraiser. Donna has the partly lined up but will have to come up with a date later in the year. Jim Forsyth volunteered to chair a “Donate a Month” of chamber rent in 2018. At this time Jim has the first six (6) months of rent taken care of.
- **Discussion & Approval of Annual Meeting Awards** – After discussion the awards chosen to be given are;

Business Excellence – Southern Kansas Cotton Growers Coop (Gary Feist (Curt)

Integration of Technology – Synergy AudioVisual (Nathan Stitt) (Eric Presenter)

Community Leadership – Don Jensen (Ron Presenter)

Entrepreneur of the Year – Kristy’s Kafe (Kristy Calvert) (Janie Presenter)

Business Legacy – The Perfect Touch (Karen Younce) (Bette Presenter)

Business Legacy – Central Electropolishing (Ken Bellesine) (Pat Presenter)

Shining Star Award – Anthony Police Department (Donna Presenter)

Leading by Example – Jim & Sherrie Eaton (Jetts Store) (Kayla – Presenter)

Outgoing Board Members – Mike Lanie & Jim Forsyth (Ron Poor Re-elected)

Each bio should be limited to no more than 3 – 4 minutes. If you are writing the bio be sure and e-mail a copy to Gwen so she can compile all of them together for historical purposes in the minutes and also for possibly put them in the newspaper if they are not too long. Motion by Ron Poor seconded by Pat Myers to approve the above listed chamber members to receive Annual Meeting Certificates. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Review December Financial** – Motion by Janie Gates, seconded by Eric Smith to approve Noah’s Ark Builders (Carl Schmidt) as a new member. Motion Carried.
- **Approval of 2018 Proposed Budget** - The board reviewed the proposed 2018 budget. Motion by Ron Poor, seconded by Janie Gates to recommend to approve the 2018 proposed budget to be presented to the membership at the Annual Meeting on January 29, 2018, for their approval. Motion Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

- ✓ Each board member was asked to let President Clark or Gwen Warner what committee they wish to serve on in 2018.
- ✓ Curt Clark will check with Chaparral to see if we can have the music department perform at the annual meeting while we eat. If we feed them we will need to know how many will be in attendance.
- ✓ Paul Southwick said he would like to be on the agenda in the future to discuss some idea and concepts.

BUSINESS CLIMATE REPORT

There was no business climate report.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:05 p.m. - Motion by Eric Smith seconded by Janie Gates, to adjourn. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Gwen Warner Executive Director

Announcements:

January 8.....	Board of Education Meeting – 7 p.m.
January 15.....	No School, Professional Development
January 15.....	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 16.....	Retail Meeting (8:30 a.m.)
January 17.....	Chamber Board Meeting
January 29.....	98 th Chamber Annual Meeting