

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: July 21, 2010

Meeting Time: 7:30

PRESENT

Bushman, Dr. Patrick- Retired
Chiappetta, Dennis – Athens Services
Hamlow, Dr. Cliff – APU
Herman, Ken – City of Glendora
Hermann, Linda – A & J Cake and Candy
Imboden, Fawn - ACCU
Jafari, D. J. – Glendora Tire and Brake
Macias, Anthony - Primerica
Murabito, Gene – Business Systems Support
Overlock, Daryl – American Home Source
Perri, Dr. Geraldine (Paula Green reported) - Citrus College
Ruh, Bill - CVAR

ABSENT

Albasha, Saed – Farmers Insurance
Deal, Debbie – GUSD Fdn.
Harwick, Dr. Clint – COUSD
Loukota, Pat – Coordinating Council
Lunde, Rona – Jan’s Towing
Quay, Mary Ann – Vicenti, Lloyd & Stutzman
Taj, Arif – Sportclips
Vobecky, Bianca – Ship DTS
Voors, Dr. Robert - GUSD
Wood, Brian – Brian Wood Automotive
Woods, Anne – Express Employment Professionals

STAFF

Hodge, Kathy – Director of Operations
Aguilar, Jen – Director of Business Development
Thompsett, Valarie – Administrative Assistant

Call to Order –President Linda Hermann 7:35 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes from the June 16, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting – Motion made by Dennis Chiappetta and seconded by D. J. Jafari

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

President, Linda Hermann – Linda called the meeting to order and the flag salute was given. Linda said that she would be asking one Board member each month to lead the committee in the flag salute. Self introductions were made. Linda reiterated her motto from the Installation and Awards Dinner, “I want you and expect the unexpected.” The Board members that were able to attend the Installation Dinner were thanked for their support. Anthony Macias was sworn in for his one year term on the Board of Directors.

Committee Chairs for the 2010 – 2011 year were introduced and include the following:

Citizen of the Year – Dr. Patrick Bushman

Flashback Car Show – Daryl Overlock

Legislative Action Committee – Cliff Hamlow

Ambassador Committee – Jen Aguilar

A motion to accept the slated committee chairs was made by D. J. Jafari and seconded by Bill Ruh. Linda asked for a volunteer to serve on the Beautification Committee and attend their quarterly meetings. Fawn Imboden said she would be happy to volunteer. A motion to approve the 2 new members was made by Dennis Chiappetta and seconded by Bill Ruh. Each Board member in attendance was presented with 10 Board of Directors business cards. “Please use the cards in your daily dealings with the public or your clients, to let people know that you are a representative of the Glendora Chamber of Commerce. If you need more cards, please contact Valarie.” As a welcome gesture and special treat, Linda made cupcakes for each Board member.

Dennis Chiappetta commented that the 2011 Glendora Centennial Committee is looking for volunteers. The next Centennial meeting will be held on July 21st at Bidwell Forum. Anyone who is interested in helping the City with the year-long celebration, planned for next year, was invited to attend.

Daryl mentioned that the War Memorial Project is still ongoing and donations are being accepted for it. See me if you are interested in making a donation.

Treasurer’s Report –Because there were not enough Board members present to form a quorum and vote to accept the 2010 – 2011 Budget, the issue was tabled for the August 18th, Board of Directors meeting. Membership related

income is 20% higher than was budgeted and total income is \$177,308.73. Total expenses are \$146,126.47 for a net gain of \$31,182.26. Gene Murabito commented that although the Chamber is in better financial shape than last year, we still need to build our reserves and improve income enough to be able to hire an Executive Director within the next year or two.

Ambassador Report, Jen Aguilar – Jen reported that the Ambassador committee took a summer hiatus for the months of July and August and will resume meetings on Wednesday, September 1, 2010. “I am thinking of ideas to energize the group and get them more involved.” Meetings take place on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 8:15 am for anyone who is interested in checking out the committee.

STAFF REPORTS

Director of Operations, Kathy Hodge – Kathy reported that Azusa Pacific University has renewed their Presidents Circle Membership. Brian Wood is a new sponsor this year for Flashback. A sign-up sheet for Flashback was passed around and everyone was encouraged to sign up to work a gate or help out at the information booth.

Director of Business Development, Jen Aguilar – Jen reported that of the 7 dropped members, 4 were dropped because of no response to numerous phone calls or messages. The Board was encouraged to contact the dropped members and the past-due members and invite them to retain their membership in the Chamber. Payment plans are available. The attendance at the July 8th Mingle, Munch and Market Seminar was small. Please mark your calendars for the next one on August 12th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm here at the Chamber. The topic will be Facebook 101, a how-to overview of using Facebook to promote your products, services and events to potential customers.

Linda Hermann informed the Board that at each meeting sign-up sheets for upcoming events will be passed around. As Board members your support of Chamber events is encouraged, so please let us know if you will be able to attend the breakfast at Spaghetti Eddies on August 6th and the next Mingle, Munch and Market Seminar on August 12th. “As part of expecting the unexpected, I will be asking one Board member each month to give a 2 minute overview of their business.” Fawn Imboden was asked to report on America’s Christian Credit Union.

“We are doing very well in these tough economic times” reported Fawn. Our second floor is vacant and available for rent. 36,000 square feet of office space is available. America’s Christian Credit Union is pleased to be involved in the Chamber and for the support we receive from the Chamber.

Dennis Chiappetta asked Fawn what types of loans are available thru America’s Christian Credit Union and who can get the loans.

Fawn replied that home, car and adoption loans are available. Adoption loans are for families who are looking to adopt.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Legislative Action, Dr. Cliff Hamlow – Cliff reported that the Legislative Committee will be hosting a 59th Assembly District Candidate Forum on September 30th at 7:00 pm. All four of the candidates have agreed to participate. The event will be held at the Citrus Valley Association of Realtors and the San Dimas and La Verne Chambers have been invited to participate. The Legislative Committee is dark in August and will resume meetings on Thursday, September 2nd at noon.

Flashback, Daryl Overlock – Daryl asked everyone to mark their calendars for August 28th from 6:00 to 11:00 pm for Flashback. The two bands scheduled to perform this year are Bontempo Band and the Flat Top Tom and his Jump Cats. Sponsorships are doing better than last year and everything is on track. Volunteers will be needed to man the gates, so I hope all of you will be able to donate some time to help us out.

CITY AND COMMUNITY REPORTS

Glendora City Council –Ken reported that things are quiet right now. Even the Planning Commission meeting was cancelled last night. The July 5th Celebration in the Village was very nice and should grow bigger and better with each passing year. Foothill Blvd. will be closed for repairs to the water system. The City is in pretty good shape.

REPORTS FROM EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Charter Oak School District, Dr. Clint Harwick –No report

Glendora Unified School District, Dr. Robert Voors – No report

Citrus College–Dr Geraldine Perri – Paula Green reported for Dr. Perri that the dedication of the new technology center at Citrus will take place on September 14th.

Foundation for Glendora Schools, Debbie Deal –No report

Coordinating Council, Pat Loukota –No report

Retired, Dr. Patrick Bushman – Dr. Bushman reported that the Night on the Plaza fundraiser for the Library was very successful.

New Business – Bill Ruh asked if the City has an emergency evacuation plan in place and who could he contact for more information about such a plan.

Ken Herman replied that the City does indeed have such a plan and suggested that Bill contact the police department.

Old Business –No report

Linda concluded the meeting by talking about two newspapers articles she recently read. One article concerned the Monrovia Chamber of Commerce and the other one came from the Pico Rivera Chamber. The Monrovia Chamber reported that the police were warning local business owners about counterfeit bills that have recently surfaced within the City. And in the article from the Pico Rivera Chamber, they stated that “they are the voice of the business community, and also a conduit between the consumer and businesses.” Linda closed the meeting by asking the Board to “do ordinary things with excellence.”

*There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 am.
Minutes recorded by V. Thompsett*