



Breakfast Exchange Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

September 13th – 5:45 P.M.
American Legion

Members in Attendance

Cavin Noddings, *President*; Craig Burke, *Incoming President*; Ed Kaufman, *Treasurer*; Shannon Johnson, *Secretary*; Mike Fleming, *Business Manager*; Directors: Lanny Lucara; Wade Austin; Tim Crowley; Rob Romsa, Maria Rivera, Bruce Jensen

Members Absent

Bruce Glennie, *Past President*;

Guests

Jeff Morales

Dan Stetler

Sherri Houston

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

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August meeting minutes stand as presented. Wade made a motion to approve the minutes and Rob made the second. Motion passed unanimously.

II. OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary's Report:

Secretary Shannon Johnson reported that the club's membership now stands at 123. John Kessler officially resigned. Joel Graf resigned. Three new members joined our ranks on Tuesday; Jeff Morales, Dan Stetler, Sherri Houston.

Treasurer's Report:

The club is doing pretty well on money at this point. Ed is collecting A/R and reconciling Food Truck Battle money. Nothing more to report.

President Elect's Report:

President Elect Craig Burke, resident IT guy, is email deficient, but he's figuring it out. MMA fights coming up. Rodeo events upcoming. Should have the new events on the site quickly.

Business Manager Report:

Business Manager Mike Fleming reported that there is not too much going on right now. We made \$25k at Dierks Bentley, \$2,191 at Burn The Point, and \$55,479 was brought in at the Fair (\$4k more than last year). Upstairs booth at Metra will be remodeled. It will be a month at least before it gets done. Otherwise there is not a lot coming up. We've got Rodney Carrington and the Nile (4 events) that are next up.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership

Three new members presented before the board. Jeff Morales with Intermountain (Bruce Jensen sponsor) Dan Stetler (Maria Rivera Sponsor), and Sherri Houston (Rob Romsa sponsor). Shannon went over the Welcome Packet with them and discussed the expectations and responsibilities of being a member. All three candidates were a great fit for the club and showed a passion for serving the community. Jeff and Dan presented before the board first, and Lanny gave the motion to approve both of them, and Wade gave the second. Sherri joined a bit after, and shared that she is very familiar with Exchange Clubs, as she was a past member of both West end club and Downtown. For Sherri's approval into the club, Wade made a motion, and Rob gave the second. Great job to the board members for your recruitment efforts!

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The board discussed whether or not to do the Festival of Trees again this year. With the amount that is donated to Family Tree throughout the year as it is, spending more for the table at the fundraiser is a point of discussion. Stacy Dressen said the table was included, but there was hesitation to continue to donate the same amount as previous years. The discussion was tabled until more information could be gathered.

The American Legion has offered BEC space to store our club's belongings so we can finally move them out of Metra. We will need to purchase cabinets with locks so that we can put them in the room Maria has for us, and make sure it is secured. Craig will research a cost for cabinets so we can get things moved and settled. Simultaneously, Rene has a garage full of FTB stuff and Kim with United Way offered us space there to store things as well. She also said we could leave our trailer parked in the parking lot at United Way. The board as a group decided that we will store all FTB items and the trailer down at United Way, and that we would move forward purchasing cabinets to store all the rest at American Legion. The board made the decision collectively by general consensus.

The board discussed having a party/reception for Leif and Tony. It was decided that since this is such a rare situation, the gazette and media should be invited. Shannon will write the press release and Maria will make sure it gets out. Lanny made a motion for a \$1000 budget for the party to be organized and planned by the social committee. Wade gave the second. Motion passed unanimously.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Stacy's Party Expenses came out to \$450 for the club. Maria made a motion to pay this amount and Rob made the second. Motion passed unanimously.

Rene sent a communication to the board to ask for the board to discuss and approve giving the tips that Joey made at the water booth during the Food Truck Battle to Lanny's granddaughter (Joey's niece). Bruce Jensen made a motion to approve and Wade gave the second.

MSUB has put out the RFP again to serve alcohol at their sports games. They changed a few of their terms. They would give some people to help manage it, a cooler and a change of dates for the events. They also removed the part where they would take any of the money made, so there would not be a minimum they would keep; we could take it all. One idea the board expressed was that we would manage it, provide the beer and wine license, and offer the work portion to Heights or downtown club for a fundraising opportunity. We would also get warehouse storage for cups, supplies, etc. Craig thought we should only do indoor sports. Outdoor would include too much hassle for hauling trailers. The board decided that before anything else happens, Cavin and/or Craig should get the clubs' leaders together and discuss if they are even interested in this option. Everything else is moot until this is known. The RFP is due 10/10/22 so once interest is gained we would move forward from there.

It was brought before the board to see if we should sponsor the Heights Golf Tourney again this year as we typically do each year. The BEC would sponsor a team for the Heights tournament at a \$500 fee. A motion was made by Bruce Jensen, with a second given by Lanny. Motion passed unanimously.

The Kalispell Exchange club has asked to use the Flag Trailer again over the Memorial Day holiday in 2023. What was asked by the Board was whether we should charge a deposit of \$500, or if it should be a nonrefundable deposit for wear and tear on the trailer. Cavin reminded the board they are one of us, however, when it comes to taking care of the depreciating asset, should we ask for money to help with trailer upkeep. The vent on the trailer is broken and will need to be repaired, so this was a timely discussion. Wade made a motion to let the Kalispell Exchange club use for a \$500 nonrefundable deposit, they will need to pick it up and drop it off and replace any flags they take out and use. Insurance should also be included since the trailer is in the BEC's name. Bruce Jensen gave the second. Craig will engage Gene to write a small contract to keep us covered and our terms outlined.

Darlene from the salvation army reached out to Ed and asked if we will be participating again this year on Oct 22, 2022. She would like the volunteers to sign a volunteer release ahead of time so they have less paperwork to manage the day of the event.

VI. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm. Rob made a motion to adjourn and Maria gave the second.

Submitted 9/14/22 by Shannon Johnson