



Breakfast Exchange Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

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

Members in Attendance

Dina Harmon, *President*; Shawnee Krauser, *Incoming President*; Craig Burke, *Past President*; Ed Kaufman, *Treasurer*;

Directors: Whitney Griffin; Chuck Rutherford; Stacy Dreessen

Members absent

Absent – Mike Flemming, Bruce Jensen, Jesse McKee, Shannon Johnson, Teal Kaufman

Guests

Maria Rivera with her proposed new member Michael Bazemore

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

July 2024 Meeting Minutes

July meeting minutes stand as presented. Motion made by Chuck Rutherford to approve meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Stacy Dreessen. Meeting minutes approved.

New Member Application – Michael Bazemore is the Director of Intercollegiate Athletics at MSUB. Michael has been in the Billings Community for 14 years. Grew to love Billings. Loves to volunteer by coaching kids in various sports. Take care of the community and the community will take part of caring for the individuals in that community. Past Rotary Member. Spoken at other clubs and feels that our club will fit him more. Former member of the Billings Outlaws Football Team. Has family: wife Jamie, 2 kids, son is 7 and daughter is 3. Mom lives here as well, moved from Philadelphia. Likes Exchange Club because of the transparent mission of who we serve and it aligns with his values. Tell us something about yourself that not a lot of people know about you... He loves the artistry of DANCE! The moves and talent of all dancers. The athleticism and creativity of movement. Motion made by Craig Burke seconded by Stacy Dreessen. Motion passed to welcome Michael into the club.

II. OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary's Report:

Secretary Shannon Johnson reported that the club's membership now stands at 116. We had one resignation since our last meeting: Lois Schroder. (Our stats are -2.5% YTD growth, and 96.4% retention). Darryl Weber, her sponsor, had a conversation with her and he will be visiting with Shawnee about the conversation once she speaks to Darryl.

Treasurer's Report:

Ed reported that there was nothing major. Accounts are in good shape. Good portion of General Account is Food Truck Sponsorships. The Bejot made \$100. Expenses are up to

date.

Member letters need to go out to delinquent dues more than 2 quarters out. Shannon, please send letters to Brice Baker, Brice Glenn, Melissa Kiebler, Hillary Lee, Denny Yonts.

2024-2025 BUDGET

Budget committee met on July 22. Committee included Ed Kaufman, Mike Flemming, Shawnee Krauszer, Brett Arnold and Bruce Glennie. Ed presented the Budget proposal. Went over line by line. New Signage in our serving booths has been proposed and may be added to the budget. Salaries need to be discussed when the rest of the Board is present. The budget approval conversation will be moved to the September meeting.

President Elect's Report:

Shawnee reported. We have 9 events in August. The shifts for the Fair for both Arena and Midway were covered with great success.

Food Truck Battle on August 24 has 2 shifts. If you are still marked available, you will be working.

Upcoming events in September include the Cody Johnson concert on September 7th. Shawnee just added to the BEC website so be sure to go in and "request to work" or mark yourself appropriately. We also have Fusion Fight League on September 13. On the horizon for October, we have Judas Priest on October 3 and October 31 is Price as Right.

Business Manager Report:

Mike Fleming absent with no report.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Grants Committee

Ed reported that the first meeting for the Grants Committee for the year.

Recommendations:

Approved:

Tumbleweed Runaway Program - \$5000

YWCA of Billings - \$7,500

Education Foundation of Billings Public Schools - \$5000

Kids N Cowboys - \$2000

Community Leadership and Development Inc. (CLDI) - \$5000

Hoodies for Heros – FTB Request. Committee approved through an email vote- \$10000 total.

TOTAL: \$10,000 from FTB and \$24,500 from Grants Committee

Declined:

Intermountain Professionals Foundation

Habitat for Humanity

St. Vincent de Paul

Montana Bible College

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Yellowstone Co. (Foundation just gave \$5000)

Yellowstone Wildlife Sanctuary, Red Lodge

New Day Inc. New Day Ranch (on hold until next meeting)

Montana Legal Services Association

Stacy moves to accept the grants committee recommendations. Chuck seconded motion.
Motion was moved to accept Grants Committee Recommendations.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Member memorial – not discussed. Move to next meeting.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Golf Tournament (Big Sky Senior Services) September 19th at Pryor Creek.

Sponsorship option Vs. Team Registration

Craig made a motion to sponsor a team for the Big Sky Senior Services. Whitney Seconded.

Motion passed. Ed would like to play. So we need 3 players and an alternate.

Policies & Procedures

Moved to September meeting.

Culture of the Club

Moved to September meeting.

Additional Signage In Metra Booths.

Craig will reach out to some sign people to see what we can do with signage and how to let people know about our mission.

Committee Review

Our committees are very thin with volunteers and chairs. We should send the committee list out and encourage members to sign up. It was discussed that we reevaluate our committees and either eliminate or combine some. Add to next month's discussion.

Fundraising Committee needs a chair

Book of Golden Deeds needs a chair

Social Committee needs a chair

House Committee – Tony and Darryl

Senior Lights need chair

Community Outreach needs Chair and members

Fundraising has no one

Americanism need chair

Program committee needs a chair

Bill Kennedy – September

October needs someone

(I was trying to keep up, but I think it would be helpful to confirm this information with what is on the website.)

VI. ADJOURN

The motion to adjourn by Craig, motion seconded by Chuck. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm by Dina Harmon.

Submitted 8/15/24 by Shannon Johnson (Shawnee Krauser)