



Romer's Catering

Date: 2/9/15

President Karen Romer called the meeting to order.

Karen read the meetings minutes from December 15, 2014. M. Lammers motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Ron Gelhaus. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Tabled to next meeting.

Committee Reports:

- 1) Welcoming Committee. Nikki Stammen has joined the welcoming committee. Will welcome all new members that join.
- 2) Membership Committee. John Yoder will head the membership committee. A membership chart has been put together to track paying members and each will be contacted one on one with a request to join.
- 3) Combined Fund Committee. Chamber took over the St. Henry Combined Fund this year and it was a success. Thank you cards came in from the State of Heart Hospice, Cancer Association of Mercer County, Mercer County Right to Life, and the Mercer County Historical Society.

New Business:

- 1) New Membership Form and Packet. Karen passed around the new membership form that includes more Chamber information and the new welcome packet that will be sent with the welcoming committee.
- 2) Thank You Cards. K of C thanked Chamber for donations to help with Candy for the Santa House.
- 3) Summer Concert Series. Chuck Stammen motioned to donate \$700.00, the same as last year. The motion was seconded by Nikki Stammen. Motion carried. Chuck motioned that we sponsor the performance of Blind Date. Motioned was seconded by Matt Lammers. Motion carried.
- 3) Athletic Complex. Athletic Booster President Bill Gast president the latest plans for the athletic complex to the chamber members. The plans currently include basketball and volleyball courts, batting cage, weight room, locker rooms, storage and a walking track. Design is not finalized as the planning committee would like to obtain more property for the project. The School is not putting any monies towards the building project, however they may cover the maintenance and utilities of the building.

4) Guest Speaker. Kathy Keller from Rhodes State College Small Business Development Center spoke to the group. It is a non-profit organization offering FREE services to small business start-ups for the last 27 years. They cover 8 counties including Mercer County. Main office is in Lima, OH. Two Certified Business Plan Experts on the staff. www.rhodestate.edu/sbdc

5) Donations. The St. Henry Picnic Committee has asked that 10 chamber member businesses donate \$100.00 each to the Kart Races to pay for the appearance fee of \$1,000.00. St. Henry Bank offered to donate the first \$100.00. 9 more donations are needed. Please contact Matt Lammers or David Romer let us know if your business would like to donate \$100.00.

6) Expenses. TTT annual website maintenance fee of \$375.00. Chuck Stammen motioned to pay the bill. Ron Gelhaus seconded. Motion carried. Treasurer to send payment.

7) New Members. The Chamber welcomes new members ITR Manufacturing and Mercer Health.

Ron Gelhaus won the pot of gold.

Thanks to the St. Henry Chamber for stress relief. If anyone would like to sponsor stress relief in 2015 please let Matt Lammers know.

Karen Romer motioned to adjourn and Matt Lammers seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting is March 4, 2015.

Sincerely,

Matthew C. Lammers

Secretary