



Romer's Catering
Date: 2-8-2016

Members present: Matt Lammers, David Romer, John Yoder, Teresa Moorman, Carol Bruns, Frank Urwin, Ron Rindler, Sharon Rindler, Lisa Niekamp Urwin, Ann Garman, Kelly Baker, Karen Romer, Connie Buschur, Nate Subler, Karl Gast

President Matt Lammers called the meeting to order.

The minutes from January 11, 2016, previously read individually by members were motioned for approval by Ron Rindler and seconded by Kelly Baker. Motion carried.

David Romer gave the Treasurer's Report: Checking - \$1,145.47, Savings - \$34,762.24

Committee Reports:

- 1) **Membership Committee:** John Yoder shared information from their recent committee meeting. In addition to the Membership Folder each 2015 paid member will receive a Chamber plaque. Members that have paid their 2016 dues, will also receive the 2016 plate to attach to their plaque. If the member has not paid their 2016 fees, that business will receive a membership invoice in place of the 2016 plate. All old and new businesses will be contacted by someone on the Membership Committee. Kelly will communicate with Ron Gelhaus for a list of new businesses in the area.
- 2) **Banquet Committee:** Tentatively scheduled for May 9th. That date will be verified and confirmed at the next meeting. David Romer will discuss with Charlie Gels.

Old Business:

- 1) We received a **Letter of Thanks** from the St Henry EMS in appreciation for our donation of \$10,000. Currently they have reached 84% of their goal.
- 2) Karen Romer shared information on the recently completed **Republican Candidates Forum** which was held February 1st. The St Henry Chamber, along with the Mercer County Republican Party, Mercer County Farm Bureau, and Mercer County Right to Life shared in the presentation of the event. Karen represented the Chamber and put together a list of questions to pose to the eight attending candidates. Approximately 80 people were in attendance. Three people who attended the event inquired about the SH Chamber and took our information.

New Business:

- 1) **Shop Mercer County** – a new publication is being compiled; after a short discussion, we decided this was not something the Chamber wanted to pursue.
- 2) **Guest Speakers** – we'd like to invite guest speakers to our upcoming meetings. David Romer agreed to contact Rod Moorman, and Lisa Urwin will speak a member of SOCA. If anyone has other suggestions for a guest speaker, please get in touch with Sharon Rindler.

Thank you to **Beckman and Gast** for hosting the stress relief.

Pot of God won by Teresa Moorman!

Frank Urwin motioned to adjourn the meeting; Connie Buschur seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting is Monday, March 14, 2016 and will be sponsored by Gels Market.

Sincerely,

Sharon Rindler

Secretary