

Place: Romers Party Room

Date: 08/08/23

**Members present:** John Yoder, Eydie Kremer, Michelle Dues, Frank Urwin, Stan Sutter, Josh Schmackers, Kim Baumer, Lori Homan, Lisa Niekamp-Urwin, Amy Wendel, Jackie Muhlenkamp, Karen Romer, Jodi Stammen, Kelley Baker, Erin from SH Swim and Dan from SH Boy Scouts

President John Yoder called the meeting to order.

Minutes from the June meeting were approved by Frank and seconded by Michelle.

No treasures report.

Update from the picnic, all the Chance squares were sold. No comments about improvements.

Dan from the SH Boy Scouts gave an update on their organization. They have 20 Scouts now aged 11 to 18, talked about their service projects. Focus on leadership and citizenship. Current fundraisers are local garage sales and trash removal at Eldora. They are looking for more adult leaders and the SH American Legion is their sponsor.

Erin Koesters spoke from the SH Stingray Dive and Swim team. The board is made up of 6 adults, all parents. There were eight swim meets this year including for the first time SH hosted the B Championships. The fundraiser was beef sticks from Fishers. Focus is on the improvement of the swimmer's time; ages are from 5 to 18. Funds would be used to improve the blocks, starting equipment and tokens for the swimmers.

Eydie spoke about the Combined drive and the organizations listed. Will review at our August meeting on those we support including.

The Business after Hours event held last night was a success! We had 26 folks attend and the food was delicious, thanks to The Gardens, One Stop, Romers and Subway. Discussion about whether this should be an annual or semi-annual event. Review on encouraging folks to bring business cards next time. Will ask for input at the spring banquet.

What are our opportunities for the 2024 Eclipse for our Chamber to be involved?

Josh talked about the SH Boys Club and what activities they provide. He'll reach out to their representative to attend a meeting and be included in the Combined drive.

Kim talked about the Holiday open houses. Her budget will remain the same for this year. Motion made to approve \$1,000 by Lisa seconded by Kelley. This will be held November 10, 11 and  $12^{th}$ .

John made a motion to donate \$100 to the SH Stingrays and the SH Boy Scouts. Frank seconded the motion.

John won the Pot of Gold - congrats!

Lisa motioned to adjourn, and Frank seconded it.

Next meeting will be September 5<sup>th</sup> at Romers.

Eydie Kremer Chamber Secretary