

Romer's Catering Date: 1-11-2016

Members present: Matt Lammers, David Romer, John Yoder, Ron Gelhaus, Frank Urwin, Ron Rindler, Sharon Rindler, Lisa Niekamp Urwin, Ann Garman, Chuck Stammen, Kelly Baker, Don Hess, Donna Hess, Karen Romer

President Matt Lammers called the meeting to order.

The minutes from the December 7, 2015, previously read individually by members were motioned for approval by Kelly Baker and seconded by Karen Romer. Motion carried.

David Romer gave the Treasurer's Report: Checking - \$1,275.47, Savings - \$35,762.24

Committee Reports:

- 1) **Welcoming Committee**: An Open House gift was given to Hogenkamp Funeral Home. A note of appreciation was received from them.
- 2) **Membership Committee**: One new member Janice and John Knapke, Watkins Representatives. Membership plaques were handed to each Chamber member in attendance. The Membership Committee will be meeting in January to assemble membership folders; these along with the plaques will be delivered to all members whose membership dues are current.
- 3) **Banquet Committee**: Tentatively scheduled for May 9th. That date will be verified and confirmed at the next meeting.
- 4) **Combined Drive**: Matt shared historical data as was reported in the December minutes. A breakdown of the combined donation of \$15,822.00 per donor is as follows:

St Henry Squad - \$3,428.00

St Henry Girls Club - \$190.00

St Henry Boy Scouts - \$228.00

St Henry Youth Soccer - \$388.00

St Henry Summer Baseball - \$396.00

St Henry Swim Team - \$233.00

South Park Entertainment Fund - \$640.00

Crippled Children and Adults - \$376.00

Mercer County Hospice - \$1,624.00

Mercer County Historical Society - \$321.00

Cancer Assoc of Mercer County - \$2,198.00

Center for Neurological Development - \$2,778.00

Mercer County Dare Program - \$230.00

Mercer County Right to Live - \$1,173.00

Mercer County American Red Cross - \$624.00

American Cancer Society - \$322.00

American Heart Association - \$354.00

Multiple Sclerosis - \$319.00

Old Business:

1) 2016 Dues: Dues coming in nicely; half of the members have paid their dues.

New Business:

- 1) **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.
- 2) **Thank you Cards**: For contributions donated to the Combined Drive, thank you letters were received from Mercer County Historical Society, Mercer County Hospice and Cancer Association of Mercer County. In appreciation for the Chamber's donation to Big Brothers Big Sisters, a thank you note was received from dancers Ron and Casey.
- 3) **Lots for Soldiers**: sent an information letter making us aware of their organization which builds homes in our area for disabled Veterans. Welcomes donations and volunteers.
- 4) **Summer Concert Series**: David Romer made a motion to donate \$1,000 (Platinum Level) toward the 2016 entertainment. The motion was seconded by John Yoder. Motion carried. With our donation, the Chamber will receive a name mention at all shows. Our name and logo printed in the brochure and on two banners to be displayed at all shows.

Thank you to **Gardens of St Henry** for hosting the stress relief. February meeting will be sponsored by Beckman and Gast.

Pot of God won by Lisa Niekamp Urwin!

Frank Urwin motioned to adjourn the meeting; Chuck Stammen seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting is February 8, 2016.

Sincerely,

Secretary

Sharon Rindler