

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN CULVER
MINUTES – BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JULY 28, 2009

The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce in Culver met for their monthly meeting at the Culver Coffee Shop. In the absence of president, Greg Fassett due to illness, the meeting was opened at 7:30 AM by vice-president, Dawn Minas. Directors present were: Minas, Ralph Winters, Dick Brantingham, Mike Stallings, Rick Tompos and Tony Sellers. Also present, Bobbie Ruhnnow, executive secretary.

Brantingham discussed the recent SCC general meeting held July 1, at the Culver Union Twp. Library. The next general meeting will be September 8th to be held at the library. A joint meeting with the Chamber will be planned for October 6 and will be held at the new equestrian center at the Culver Academies. After a tour of the facilities, the speaker will be Mr. Ed Little, Director of Horsemanship. The meeting will convene at 6:30 PM

TASTE OF CULVER

Brantingham has discussed logistics with Susie Mahler and Mark Damore, both participants in last year's Taste of Culver and suggested they be invited to a board meeting for their input. Mike and Patty Stallings will chair the 2010 event. Stallings said the event will be tentatively set for June 19, 2010 and will check to determine that there are no conflicts.

Minas explained that there was a central location for tickets to be sold and patrons would exchange these tickets with vendors. It is an individual decision by each vendor how much volunteer help is donated.

Stallings noted that there had been a band in the past but questioned if the cost warranted the expense. He also said that Ali Schuldt Gaskill would be available for input. Ali was chairman of the event for the library.

It was agreed that the event should be well advertised as sponsored by the Chamber in newspapers, radio and Destination Culver. This is an excellent venue to promote Culver's restaurants.

A motion by Winters to put proceeds toward the Farmers' Market tent was seconded by Brantingham and approved unanimously.

SUMMER RAFFLE

The 50-50 raffle sponsored by the Kiwanis was won by Jim Wierick. It is unknown what profit the Chamber made until the treasurer's report is completed.

MEMBERSHIP

Directors agreed that unpaid members should be removed from the list if not paid by September 1.

OTHER BUSINESS

Tompos said that if agreeable to the board, the Welcome to Culver sign at SR 10 & 17 would be cleaned by Estel Rice, an employee of the Culver Academies. The board agreed with thanks.

A discussion of investments was tabled until the August meeting.

A dinner meeting for August was cancelled due to the number of activities and conflicts.

Bobetta Ruhnow
Executive Secretary