

Grandview Chamber of Commerce
Board Meeting Minutes
May 1, 2006

I. Preliminary

President Gaylene Tucker called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. Present for all or portions of the meeting:

Lynn Boast—Boast Enterprises

Cookie Shannon—Grandview Junior Miss

Becky Ruppert—Consumers Choice Insurance

Mike Bradshaw—Benton REA's PowerNET

Gaylene Tucker—Consumers Choice Insurance

Holly Castle—Kimbrough Realty & Assoc.

GHS Representative—Danika Martinez

Chamber Office Staff—Lynda Jo Gross

II. Regular Business Items

Mike Bradshaw made a motion to accept the April minutes with the correction of an error in the last paragraph, changing the month to April instead of June.

Becky Ruppert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Becky Ruppert presented the financial report. The tourism account reflects an April 30, 2006 balance of \$2,036.41. The savings account reflects an April 30, 2006 balance of \$300.31. The community checking account reflects an April 30, 2006 balance of \$10,985.71.

Danika Martinez made a motion to accept the financial report as presented. Lynn Boast seconded. Motion carried.

III. Unfinished Business:

Parade: Becky Ruppert suggested incorporating a parade entry fee. Cookie Shannon said this had been done in the past and wasn't successful. Becky gave Lynda Jo Gross kudos for selling newsletter advertising. Gaylene Tucker will get in touch with DeLynn Otis from Clear Channel regarding parade emcees. Benton REA's PowerNET will provide the sound system. Cookie Shannon instructed Lynda Jo Gross to send a parade application to Dr. Al Fiedler, as he is the 2006 Grand Marshal.

Tri-Chamber Social: A date needs to be selected for the Tri-Chamber Social. Gaylene Tucker recommended June 15, as it's the Thursday following the Chamber member meeting. The consensus of the board is to try to secure the location for June 15. With regard to where it will be held, Holly Castle informed the board that the Armory will allow alcohol, that a security guard must be provided, and that a rental fee would be charged.

Cookie Shannon made a motion to have the Tri-Chamber Social at the Armory on 6-15-06 from 5 pm to 7 pm, and if the Armory option does not work out then Lynda Jo should look at Country Park as the second option, and if Lynda Jo needs the board to make other decisions on this issue then a vote of the board can be obtained by email. Mike Bradshaw seconded the motion. The motion carried. Gaylene Tucker said that if each winery has liquor liability insurance, the Chamber would not need to get a liquor liability policy for the event. Lynda Jo Gross was instructed to contact the wineries and find out. It was mentioned that Central Washington Insurance stated that the Grandview Chamber has liability insurance that will cover this type of event.

Community Concert: Gaylene Tucker reported that YVCC is providing the soda through Coca-Cola for the event. She also reported that Wal-Mart Distribution Center is providing the hamburgers and hot dogs, and she asked the Board how many they thought might be needed. The consensus of the Board is about 300 of each. The Board determined that a hot dog and a soda should sell for \$2 and a hamburger and a soda should sell for \$3. Gaylene said that the college can't realistically make any money, since it is the end of the school year and the budget won't carry over to the 2006-07 school year. Lynda Jo Gross was instructed to promote the dinner from 5-6 p.m. Danika Martinez mentioned that GHS is gearing up for their follies (a talent show) and that several high school bands are playing. She asked if perhaps the High School bands participating in the talent show could play from 5 to 6 p.m. at the Community Concert. The consensus of the Board is that yes, they certainly can. She was instructed to find out if they were willing and to let Lynda Jo Gross know if they are willing to participate. Jonathan Kingham will start his show at 6 pm, and there will not be any entry fee charged at the gate.

Craft & Hobby Show during Fair: Gaylene Tucker said it's time to get rolling on the Craft & Hobby Show during the fair and Cookie Shannon instructed her to send out a sign up sheet at the next Member Meeting to find someone to take the lead, as well as a committee to be in charge of it. Mike Bradshaw mentioned that the Yakima Valley Fair and Rodeo board has granted approval for the Grandview Chamber Craft Show to take place during the fair.

High School Report: Danika reported that the Third Annual Grandview High School Follies are coming up on May 25. What the students make at the door will be matched and donated to the Susan B. Coleman Breast Cancer Foundation. At the program, she'd like to display photos of people who've had breast cancer in the hallway. She needs the photos by May 15. She also mentioned that Key Club is looking for donations for the Relay for Life event. Spring Sports are ending. Post season games begin in two weeks. Graduation is on June 3. New ASB officers have been elected.

Office Report: Lynda Jo Gross reported that the Boardman conference was very inspirational and the Board would likely see some changes over the course of the year as a result of that. She thanked the Board for authorizing

her to go. The Grandview School District will join the Chamber. Due to the vote for the Chamber Water Tower project being located on the Chamber website, web traffic has increased. The 3 City Bike ride was successful in spite of what appeared to be a small turnout. She recommends it be done again next year. It was suggested that the Chamber host seminars/workshops to better businesses & organizations that belong to the Chamber. Lynda Jo is working with TRIDEC and the Small Business Association to arrange them. She'd like to start with Grant Writing. She feels that these should be offered at a nominal fee. Gaylene said that she and Becky will be attending a Main Street Program in Port Angeles tomorrow, and that Scott Staples, Grandview City Manager, is anxious to get started on a downtown revitalization program for Grandview. Holly Castle suggested that she would like to see the Grandview Chamber sponsor some Fred Pryor seminars to be held in Grandview.

Member Meeting Agenda: The guest speaker, a report on the parade, and the Craft & Hobby show are on the agenda. Cookie asked for some time on the agenda to mention the Grandview float, and she commended the float committee for all of their hard work with regard to getting the float completed before the first scheduled parade date for the 2006 season.

New Members: Cornucopia, Perfect Printing, Grandview Kiwanis Club, Salvation Army Planned Giving Dept., Dan Olson.

IV. Meeting Dates, Announcements & Schedules

The Member meeting is on May 9, 2006 at noon at Bethany Presbyterian Church. The next Board meeting is on June 5, 2006 at noon at City Hall.

The Chamber Board Meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.