

CHAUTAUQUA MULTI-USE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, INC.

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March 11, 2009 BOARD MINUTES

PRESENT: Karen Davis, Ned Divine, Jim Enser, Don Horton, Valerie Pawlak,
Evelyn Sievert, Lisa Speziale, Mark Twichell, Janey Wagner

ABSENT: Bob Davis, Kurt Warmbrodt

President Don Horton called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Evie Sievert made a motion to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Ned Divine, carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Don went over the Treasurer's Report as Interim Treasurer. The beginning balance on hand February 11, 2009, was \$1,552.84. A cash disbursement totaling \$27.46 was made to P & G Foods and Tim Horton's for the February 23 Partnership meeting. The ending balance on hand on March 11, 2009, is \$1,525.38. A motion was made by Karen Davis to accept the Treasurer's Report as stated, seconded by Jim Enser, carried.

Don asked for a motion to approve paying John Earshen for his facilitator services on February 23. The amount of \$50.91 was for mileage and tolls. Ned Divine made a motion to pay John Earshen for his services, seconded by Jim Enser, carried.

RECRUITMENT FOR TREASURER AND GENERAL BOARD MEMBERS: Evie's sister-in-law could not make this meeting because of a previous commitment. Need to have her become a member first before we can consider her for the treasurer's position. It was decided that we did not need to look for additional treasurer candidates at this time. We will wait for the April meeting. Karen will contact SUNY Fredonia's Accounting Department to see if someone can do our taxes.

PARTNERSHIP EXPLORATION COMMITTEE REPORT: Jim, Mark, and Don represented PEC with John Earshen as the facilitator. There was not a large attendance at the February 23 meeting with potential partners and key users. JCC is cautiously supportive. They say they are interested, but it could take two to five years before money is committed. At this time, they are non-committal. The five groups present were: JCC, SUNY Fredonia, Boys and Girls Club, Dunkirk Public Schools, Chautauqua Lake School. All the groups were very supportive of the project. Letter of support was received from Silver Creek Schools and signed by Superintendent David O'Rourke. Ned Divine suggested we use the letter as a prototype for other schools in the future. Discussion followed concerning the meeting. Our plan and architectural drawings need to be fine tuned.

PARTNER SURVEY: Don asked for the Board members to look over the survey that was designed after the meeting with potential partners and key users. Ned stated that we have already surveyed the soccer league, and we do not need to send them a survey now. Karen asked about surveying the local Rotary Clubs. Valerie would like to see the survey put in the paper. Karen suggested that we include a self-addressed stamped envelope for the return of the survey. Lisa felt we should include more groups. Mark feels this survey was designed to target a specific group of people. Evie suggested we add wrestling to the survey. Lisa suggested we add an after-school program to the survey. Discussion followed concerning the survey. The Board decided to just send the survey to the 16 identified potential partners/key users.

CONFERENCE OF MAYORS PRESENTATION ON FEBRUARY 26: Mark Twichell and Ellen Luczkowiak attended and represented CMUSF. There was a great audience of trustees, town supervisors, and mayors. There was a heavy attendance from the South end. Mike Ferguson was also present to represent his organization. We thought we were supposed to be the soul presenter, but it turned out well with both groups presenting. There is no funding help available from the municipalities.

Recently, Mike Ferguson spoke very favorably of our organization to Ned Divine.

OLD BUSINESS: Don will stay in touch with Greg Lorenzo and Mark Maytum.

NEW BUSINESS: None

Next PEC meeting will be on April 6 at 7 p.m. at JCC.

Don will be on WDOE Viewpoint on March 24 from 9 to 9:30 p.m. with Dave Rowley.

The next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, April 8, 2009, at 7 p.m. at JCC.

Motion was made by Karen Davis to adjourn at 8:30 p.m., seconded by Jim Enser, carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Davis, CMUSF Secretary

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