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REGIONAL SUMMIT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Friday, October 6, 2017
9:00 a.m.

Manistee County Courthouse & Government Center
Board of Commissioners Meeting Room

MINUTES

Members Present: Brook Shafer, Chairperson, Karen Goodman and Mark Bergstrom

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Julie Schmeling, Administrative Secretary; Lisa Sagala, Human Resources Manager/Assistant Administrator Jill M. Nowak, County Clerk.

The meeting was called to Order at 9:00 a.m.

NOTE – Items requiring Board Action are indicated in BOLD

REVIEW EVALUATION FORMS FROM THE 14TH REGIONAL SUMMIT

The Committee reviewed the evaluation remarks (Appendix A) from the 14th Regional Summit. One of the most common remarks was sound was an issue. The Committee discussed a portable sound system that the County could own and take it to events such as this. Jill Nowak wondered that when the sound system wasn't in use if it could be used in the County Commissioner's Room. Sometimes it is hard to hear participants at the meetings and therefore the recording of the meeting is unclear as well. Ms. Schmeling will check with Gordon to get a recommendation on what may be best and bring that information back to the Committee.

Overall, the Summit went well and the topics were interesting and speakers did a great job. There were 65 attendees.

The Committee also discussed possible ideas for next year's Summit. Speakers such as a representative from Tondu with their future change from coal to gas, other businesses like Dr. Shrink, Harbor Steel, and Munson Healthcare Manistee Hospital. Topics such as the success of the Strategic Plan, recycling plastics, Township Supervisors could speak or video snip-its for each Township could be done with a school video class to do the project. Ideas discussed for the layout of the Summit such as break-out sessions with table leaders, more audience participation and collaboration, organized seating, change to evening dinner then hold the Summit. The Ramsdell Theatre has been offered as a location, yet other locations are still a possibility.

The communication in which to invite people was discussed. After the Save the Date cards are mailed then possible emails (expand the email list), phone calls, prize to entity that brings the most attendees.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION LUNCHEON PLANNING-DECEMBER 2017

The Employee Recognition Luncheon is scheduled for Tuesday, December 19, 2017 next door at the First Congregational Church. Jerry Zupin has been reserved as the caterer. The menu (Appendix B) was determined. The hall rental fee (\$25) and the per person plate fee (\$11) remain the same as last year. The lunch hour will be extended by one half hour and Ms. Goodman will provide poinsettias as table decorations to be given away. Certificate for milestone years as well as gifts will be awarded to employees.

Moved by Bergstrom seconded by Goodman to extend the lunch hour on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 by one-half hour from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. for the employees to be recognized at the Employee Recognition Luncheon. Ayes: All. Motion Carried.

Moved by Goodman, seconded by Bergstrom to allocate up to \$900 for the Employee Recognition Luncheon and church rental. Ayes: All. Motion Carried.

OTHER ITEMS FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

It was suggested that in the future, something different should be incorporated into the Employee Recognition event.

The meeting was adjourned at the Call of the Chair at 9:56 a.m.



Brook Shafer, Chairperson

Karen Goodman



Mark Bergstrom

14th Regional Summit
Evaluation Form Responses

APPENDIX A

What did you like?

- Excellent speakers! Food was very good. Good location.
- Meal – Prizes
- The whole day was good
- Martin Marietta
- Historical Museum
- It was all good
- Love Mark Fedder's presentation: What an asset to the community
- Tim Kozal presentation on Opioids and Red Med Box – Good Presenter
- Great Lunch
- Museum Presentation
- All of it
- Great Presentations, good lunch relaxing day
- Sense of possibilities projected by Carson & Buswinka
- Tim Kozal – implement Red Med Box
- Great after lunch program also
- Good presenters, City, Museum, Martin Marietta
- Martin Marietta presentation
- Winning a door prize
- Broad spectrum of presentations
- Martin Marietta – Jim Reithel
- Historical – Mark Fedder
- Networking
- Historical perspective
- Hearing about Martin Marietta and Mark Fedder historical presentation
- US 31 corridor
- I appreciated learning something new that is affecting our County – the presentation about opioid use.
- Mark Fedder's presentation is always 1st class and awesome!
- Presentation by Jim Reithel and Mark Fedder. All were good and informative.

What didn't you like?

- Please improve sound
- Talking in front of people
- Sound system
- Sewer overflow presentation
- A little cold in the building
- Sitting long sometimes difficult
- Started too early
- Chairs
- Difficulty in seeing visual presentation
- Hard chairs
- Uncomfortable chairs
- Too much sitting
- The acoustics of the facilities made it difficult to hear

What would you like to see next year?

- More of the same
- More info on local manufacturing
- Success of the County Strategic Plan
- Recycling Presentation
- Something from the schools and hospital
- More interactive with audience
- More state or regional guest speaker
- Maybe a few small breakout sessions
- More of County history leading up to where we are today.
- More emphasis on other situations and developments in the county
- I'd like to see more breakout sessions for folks to discuss issues facing the county and then offer some suggestions for tackling those issues.
- More input from townships

What could we do better:

A-3

- ½ day Summit
- Softer chairs
- Have the summit at a more central location instead of at a corner of the County
- Great Day
- Sound system – test prior to meeting
- Projection needed to be raised - Difficult to see slide when projected to low on screen
- Better chairs
- Thumbs up
- Great job
- I think communication to invite people to attend. Save the date card is great but a follow up email would be beneficial

APPENDIX B

Menu Choices for Employee Recognition Luncheon

- **Chicken**
 - **Polish Sausage**
 - Ham
 - Meatballs
 - Pork Roast
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- Red Skin Potatoes**
 - Mashed Potatoes
 - **Cheesy Potatoes**
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- **Green Bean Casserole**
 - Corn
 - **Sweet & Sour Cabbage**
 - Carrots
 - California Blend
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- **Punch**

- **Christmas Cookies**

\$11.00 per person

\$25.00 Hall Rental – First Congregational Church