



Englewood Chamber Mission Statement:

“Dedicated to Leading Economic Growth with a Balanced Voice between Local Businesses, Residents and Tourism that Creates Opportunities for our Community.”

Board Meeting ...Wednesday ... June 09, 2021

Minutes

Attending: Brian Faro, Kathleen Jarosik, Jonathan Varner, Kristina Watts, Mark Knauf, Alfred Current, Erin Halstead, Shane Whitmore, Chris Porter, Shawn Emery, Jeremy Jones, Richard Jean, Brian Pope

Staff: Doug Izzo - Executive Director

Absent: Louise Cook

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:01 am. President Faro welcomed everyone, and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. A quorum is present.
2. **Motion to approve minutes** of last month’s meeting was made by Jean, 2nd by Jones ... approved.
3. **President’s Report**
 - a. **Committee Reports:**
 - i. **Leadership:** Watts reported that Charlotte County Day complete. Currently planning hospitality Day. Graduation is on August 5th. Leadership applications are open.
 - ii. **Eye on Nature:** Jones reported they had a committee meeting the first week of June. June 16th is national Turtle Day. There was talk about releasing Scout to the community on that day. The committee wants to shoot a video. Looking at finances it seems that this initiative has broken even.
 - iii. **Ambassador Program:** Jean reported he has made a handbook for community members, & contracts for committee members. This program will be functioning in July.
4. **Financial Update:** Knauf stated that before the end of the week he will be reviewing the annual YTD report and evaluate the financial health of the Chamber. He did not feel like the YTD report in the Board packets was clear and expressed concern that they are difficult to comprehend compared to other reports.
5. **Executive Director’s Report, Doug Izzo:**
 - a. **Map Update:** The final ad was sent to the publisher on Monday, June 7th. Net profit on that should be more than \$11,000.
 - b. **Member Dashboard:** Renewals and new member lists were handed out. 13 new, 1 non-renew, 48 renewed.
 - c. **Upcoming Calendar of Events.** Board members were presented with the current list of events.
6. **Old Business:**
 - a. **Committees:**
 - i. **Signature Event:** Location - Crestwood Circus Ranch permit approved by Sarasota County. The event date is October 2nd.

- ii. Golf Scramble: 8 teams signed up at the time of this meeting. Sponsorships are selling. Businesses are registering for teams, not individuals. It will be at Long Marsh, Shane Whitmore brought up mosquitos.
- iii. Cat – Sunkist the Cat was relocated successfully. Knauf wanted it to be on record that he disagreed with having the cat relocated and believed it should have stayed at the Chamber.
- iv. Building: Carpets and chairs to be cleaned. \$200 for floors and \$400 for the chairs.
- v. Nominating committee: A slate of nominees will be presented soon.

7. New Business:

- a. One A/C unit needs to be replaced. There were several quotes and there was some discussion about cost comparisons and warranty details. Whitmore made a motion to use Grande Air after a warranty, and the outside-air collection question was answered. Porter seconded the motion. No further discussion was had. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 am. (Motion by Varner, 2nd by Emery)