

## Oregon Frontier Chamber of Commerce Apr 14, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Purpose: April Board Meeting Date and Time: April 14, 2022 8:30 AM

Board Members Present: Stephen Allen, Lori Anderson, Greg Price, Eileen Flory, Toni

Ames, Betsy von Borstel, Brad Attig, K'Lynn Lane, Connie Ramsay.

Board Members Absent: Jalet Farrel, Vicki Ackerman

Item	Detail	Action/Notes
Call to Order	Establish Quorum	The April meeting was called to order at 8:30 am.
		"Get to know the people you work with" K'Lynn kicked off the meeting with an icebreaker. Board members chose if they were to work in the Circus if they would be a trapeze artist, clown or a lion tamer.
		Approve March minutes-Eilene made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes, Lori seconded the motion.  Motion passed unanimously.
		Discussion on Meeting Minutes and having two signers on the approved minutes. Lori suggested that the activating secretary and Board chair sign the minutes.
Treasurer's Report	Lori Anderson	Management Report sent in Board Packet. (see attached)
Directors Report	<ul> <li>378 Members</li> <li>Rebranding</li> <li>Chamber</li> <li>Mezzanine</li> <li>March</li> <li>Sales-\$1,145.</li> <li>09</li> <li>Professional</li> </ul>	New Members: Backroad Creations, Rank GunDogs, Wasco House Bed and Breakfast, Arlington TV Coop, Jack & Julie Lyons, Harp's Market, Sarah Waters Photography, Finnegan Ranch Retreat. K'Lynn noted that we have had 40 new members join since January.
	Development	



- Ambassador/Comm unity Update
- GC Grant Program
- TA/ROI/COSTARTE RS

Rebranding - member brochures have been ordered, business cards, window decals, banners, website, name is registered with the state, bank accounts, billing accounts.

Mezzanine Sales-March \$1,145.09. Connie talked about how the building is growing and the excitement our members are showing. Discussion: On possibly raising the membership fee for participating vendors at The Mezzanine. Brad noted that we need to focus on the bigger picture of offering the services that align with our mission and our goals. Lori said not everyone in Condon is thrilled with what we are doing at The Mezzanine and she says we should lead cautiously to be sure the community that has concerns knows that as a whole the leadership team is thoughtful in our approach. Lori suggested we do a pro's and con's list and continue to evaluate the program. K'Lynn reiterated that we are providing so much more to the visitor and assured the board that she is sending people into the community and communities to shop locally, also noting that there are other communities wanting to set up a very similar space specifically Rufus, Arlington, Fossil, Spray.

Professional Development: K'Lynn had the honor of attending The Governor's Conference on Tourism and the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce Conference. K'Lynn spoke about how inspiring it is to be around some of our State's top leaders. She will be implementing several tools that she knows will make a meaningful impact in the communities we serve. It's a



		Chamber Revolution and 40% of Chambers across the US are looking at some sort of a regional collaboration. K'Lynn thanked the group for seeing the larger vision.  Our Chamber Ambassadors are doing an incredible job. The Ambassadors meet as a team on the Monday prior to our Board meetings. K'Lynn gave a high-level update on what is happening in the other communities, encouraging everyone to stay connected to upcoming events and use the Chamber Community Calendar.  Gilliam County Small Business Grant Program update: \$46,000.00 has been requested. \$26,050.00 approved with an additional \$10,500.00 pending.  The Business Oregon TA Grant program is in full swing as we are assisting several businesses with Direct Assistance from online Google My Business, to referrals, graphic designs, legal services. 12 individuals are going through this training and are learning from one another in a very strong Cohort being led by Matt Davis. Brad also mentioned how great the weekly CRAFT group is doing.
Donations/Gifts	Inland NW Musicians	Inland NW Musicians will be coming to Condon on May 1st. A letter soliciting support was sent out in the board packet for consideration. Discussion was unanimous that we support Students, cultural heritage, arts and what id does for the community. Lori said with the increase of fuel and operating expenses that a larger donation should be



Correspondence  Around the Table Good of the Order	Thank you letter Tiger Town Brewery What's New-Open Floor	considered. Lorio made a motion for a donation of \$450.00. Eilene seconded the motion. The donation was approved unanimously.  Thank you for your support of the Tigertown Festival.  Lori-Lori suggested that we follow up with John David Burns about the lease of the building and see if there is the opportunity to purchase the historic building or at least put rent towards the purchase price.
		Brad-noted that The TA Grant is helping vendors who are selling their items at The Mezzanine. Shannah Goe spoke at CO STARTERS this week and how even she is seeing the value in what she has to offer (we are building leaders).  Greg-The College is working on a training program for Child Care providers who are looking to get started and also other programs to be able to assist child care businesses. There is funding available to assist the businesses (hire cpa, web development, etc) resources are being created in English and Spanish. Loan program through MCEDD is also available.
Upcoming Events	Spray Game Night Community Clean Ups Arlington Jackpot Rodeo Catfish Tournament Spray Rodeo Wasco Memorial Day Big River Band Festival Sherman Co. Harvest Fest Tiger Town Fest Wheeler Co. BlueGrass Festival Fabulous Fourth Summer Concerts	



Artisans Markets
(Arlington, Condon, Fossil, Mitchell,
Grass Valley)
Sherman Co. Harvest
Celebration
County Fairs
Painted Hills Festival

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 AM.

K'lynn Larve 5/12/2022 Sai Anderson 6-1.2022