

Saxonburg Area Business Association

February 9, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 9:04 with a welcome by SABA President Phil Wain

Officers' Reports:

President: (P. Wain) Please submit memberships today to be included in the SABA Directory, which will hopefully be complete for the SABA Happy Hour on March 8th.

Treasurer: (J. Brewster) Discover Saxonburg transferred their funds into the SABA general fund. As of 1/31/2016, there was a significant balance in the General Fund, and \$1056.05 was in the Scholarship Fund.

Coffee was provided by the Saxonburg Coffee Company, and doughnuts were provided by the Main Street Bakeshop.

Member introductions: members introduced themselves and new members were welcomed.

Committee Reports:

Discover Saxonburg: (J. Ferree) The Discover Saxonburg bank accounts have been closed and the funds have been deposited into the SABA general fund. Discover Saxonburg is currently working on marketing efforts, such as a physical map of Saxonburg for visitors and improvements to the website. Plans and logistics are being discussed for this year's Mingles on Main.

Scholarship: There is currently \$1056.05 in the Scholarship Fund.

Easter Egg Hunt: (J. Novotny) The Easter Egg Hunt will take place on 3/26/2016. The event will follow the pattern that it has in the past. Consolidated Communications is donating the eggs and the bags. Eggs will be available at the March Happy Hour Mixer, after which point donors will have 2 weeks to fill and return them. Donny B's BBQ food truck will be there, as will be a strolling Easter Bunny, courtesy of Northwood Realty. Helpers will be needed at Roebing Park around 8AM that day.

Welcome Committee: (P. Wain) This committee is seeking more volunteers to get involved.

Marketing: (F. Caesar) This committee is working on jazzing up our website (along with Discover Saxonburg.) In the meantime, members are encouraged to follow DS and SABA on social media, as well as "like" and share the posts.

New Business

Speaker:

Mandee Williams promoted the South Butler Community Library's upcoming bowling fundraiser. There are several ways to support the Library; as an event sponsor, by donating a basket or gift certificates to be raffled off at the event, or by forming a team and participating in the event.

Other announcements:

(P. Wain) Knoch High School will be performing *Chicago* for their annual musical this year. Dates are March 4-6.

(J. Ferree) Progressive Dinner dates have been set, and will once again delight Saxonburg this year. Progressive Dinners are independent of SABA and Discover Saxonburg.

(F. Caesar) The Mingles on Main were explained to newcomers. Fred will make phot slideshows available to anyone who would like to see them.

(K. Martin) Kurt Martin announced the work on his family-owned fitness center, which will open in the former Costumes, Etc. space on Rt. 8 in Cooperstown. He is open to advice about marketing and promotion, and is very interested in doing outreach to schools.

Next Meeting:

The next SABA meeting will be a Happy Hour at the Hotel Saxonburg on Tuesday, March 8th from 5:00-7:30 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided by SABA at this networking event. There will also be a 50/50 raffle and a door prize. Donations for door prizes are being accepted.

Meeting adjourned at 9:36.