

St. George Business Alliance Board

October 14, 2022

Opening

The regular meeting of the St. George Business Alliance Board was called to order by JMiller at 9:39 AM at Carr residence.

Present:

Jo Hoppe (Zoom), Greg Soutiea (Zoom), Sandra Hall, Wendy Carr, Ryan LeShane, and Jake Miller.

Treasurer Report: Balance in general account: \$3478.08, \$719.38 in merchant account, \$179.14 in PayPal, and \$1011.13 in CD. No outstanding bills. Yearly fixed expenses \$3245 hosting, \$400 insurance, \$250 Quickbooks, \$1500 accounting firm. SHall Quickbooks tutoring will reduce accounting firm fixed expenses. We will continue to have Nickerson serve our accounting needs as Board succession may create a new need for day to day bookkeeping in the future.

Non-Profit Status: No update.

Approval of prior minutes: SHall makes motion (JHoppe second) to approve September 2022 Board minutes. Passed unanimously.

Meetings/Member Events:

GSoutiea and WCarr will attend the CDC Community conversation regarding housing on Sunday, October 16, 2022. Subject of September membership meeting was Art Tour; everyone was generally pleased. Next year Art Tour will be on Friday and Saturday only (September 15, 16). Discussion of trying quarterly membership meetings interspersed with after hours gatherings. Zoom is available for winter months. Membership meeting in January meeting will be annual meeting and open house to finish ad sales, dues. Possible hybrid gathering of Welcome Aboard and April member meeting.

November 29, 2022 will be members open house for dues, ad sales, help with website listings.

December 6, 2022 will be Holiday Open House at Craignair. Budget will be created by Holiday Committee. Sponsorships will be available.

WCarr to draft SGBA statement in support of lobstering industry. Will circulate draft.

Yuletide will include craft fairs at Odd Fellows Hall and Wiley's Corner Grange. In addition, in response to email from SHall, four businesses have indicated interest in participation in Yuletide. Second email to go out soon.

JMiller will check with TEIwell from Town of St. George regarding scheduling of Light Up St. George and Light Up the Knight. Committee for Light Up St. George (LUSG)

includes RLeshane, AKennedy, and JMiller. Highlight availability of member sources for food and drinks during LUSG.

Website: Registrations trickling in. Sixty two registrations claimed; ten actively adding to profiles. Assistance to members will be offered at Eastwind member meeting on October 18, 2022 and November Open House.

To Do:

1. Contact BWelch regarding 2023 Visitor's Guide.
2. Fill Board member seat with succession in mind.

Motion to Adjourn made by WCarr (SHall second). Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:52 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Wendy E. Carr

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