



## General Membership Meeting

Monday, October 2, 2017 ~ 12:00 p.m.

Ambassador Restaurant

### Minutes

- I. **Welcome, Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance:** Larry Buehler led prayer, Sherry Quimby led pledge of allegiance. Kari Montgomery opened the meeting at 12:11 p.m.
- II. **Review of September 11, 2017 General Meeting Minutes:** Steve Tuttle made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Denise Rothschof seconded the motion; motion carried.
- III. **Committee Reports:**
  - a. *Education Committee report* – Jada Breeden reported that the Education Committee toured the Enel Green Power’s Goodwell Wind Farm at the last meeting. Advances in technology and the need for trained technicians were focus of the site visit.
  - b. *Ambassadors report* – Larry Buehler discussed all the events, ribbon cuttings, grand openings and parades that the club has participated in.
  - c. *Jr./Sr. Chamber Committee Report* – Larry Buehler stated said that the students are very active group of young adults. Lupita Jimenez, President of the committee, is currently the Fiesta Queen. The Fiesta King is a member of the committee as well.
  - d. *Rodeo Committee Report* – Jimmy Quimby reported that the End of Summer Party in the Park and Duck Dash was a lot of fun; it will be moved up to Labor Day weekend in 2018. He thanked the City of Guymon for their help in allowing the Rodeo Committee to use the water from the City Pool for the Duck Dash, the Parks Dept. for preparing Fowler Park and the Street Dept. for setting up barricades.
- IV. **Upcoming Ambassador/Chamber Events**
  - a. *Special Game Day Meet & Greet and Serving Line* – 4:00 pm, Sun., Oct. 8, OPSU Baseball Field
  - b. *Breakfast & Business* – 8:00 – 9:00 am, Wed., Oct. 4, 11, 18 & 25, Bank of the Panhandle
  - c. *OTIA Ribbon Cutting & Lt. Gov. Meet & Greet* – 12:30 pm (RC) & 4:00 pm (M&G) Mon., Oct. 9, Guymon Public Library & Arts Center
  - d. *Golden Senior Olympics Ribbon Cutting* – 9:00 am, Fri., Oct. 20, Texas County Activity Center
  - e. *HIPAA Training (free to MSG, PREDCI & GCofC Members)* – 9:00 – 10:00 & 10:15 – 11:15 am, Tues., Oct. 24, Guymon Fire Dept. Register at MSG
  - f. *GCofC Annual Banquet* – 6:00 pm, Tues., Oct. 24, Pickle Creek Center. The theme is “Best of the 70’s”. Nominations for Small Business of the Year and Volunteer of the Year are accepted until Oct. 12.
- V. **Community Events**

- a. *Texas County Elder Fair* – 9:00 am – 1:00 pm., Tues., Oct. 3, VMUMC Enrichment Center
- b. *Pumpkins at the Park* – 5:00 – 6:30 pm, Tues., Oct. 3, Sunset Lake @ Thompson Park
- c. *Shop Local, Shop & Dine* – 4:00 – 7:00 pm, Thurs. Oct. 5
- d. *Oklahoma Panhandle Partners Annual Party* – 6:00 pm, Thurs., Oct. 5
- e. *Harvest Fest 2017* – 4:00 – 10:00 pm, Sat., Oct. 14
- f. *Raise the Roof Masquerade Ball (Panhandle Services for Children)* – Sat., Oct. 28

**VI. Old Business** – No old business discussed

**VII. New Business** – No new business discussed

**VIII. Adjourn** - Next meeting: Monday, Nov. 6, 2017, 12:00 p.m. at the Ambassador Restaurant.

**IX. Presentation: Guymon Public School** – Guymon School Superintendent, Doug Melton and Assistant Superintendent, Brett Rider, presented information on the upcoming school bond election.

Doug Melton mentioned that he is pleased with the Jr./Sr. Chamber and the importance of the committee in the community.

A volunteer committee made up of concerned citizens met for over eight months; facility tours, meetings during the school day to see the actual daily operations of faculty, students and transportation were all part of the recommendations made to the Guymon School Board. The future of the student’s educational opportunities and teacher recruitment and retention were at the top of the priority list. Communities comparable in size have double the mil levy of Guymon.

Brett Rider stated that the bond election is for \$20.4 million. There will be three (3) phases to the updates to the schools. In the first phase, Prairie Elementary and the football field will be updated. The money will be used to update and add eighteen (18) classrooms, a media center, Safe Room, PE facility, restrooms and fix the Bus & Car loops at Prairie Elementary School. The football field will build a concession stand and restroom facilities. Students who attend Salyer Elementary will be attending Prairie Elementary. Salyer Elementary School was opened in 1928 and has no potential for growth and it is extremely cost prohibitive to renovate due to the age of the structure. At this time, the plans for Salyer School are unknown.

Phase II & III will address needs at Academy School and the Jr. & Sr. High Schools.

The bond money can not be used on new construction.

Because this bond election will effect the tax increase in the school district, it must pass by 60%.

*Jada Breeden*

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Respectfully submitted

Approved