



General Membership Meeting

Monday, March 5, 2018 ~ 12:00 p.m.

Ambassador Restaurant

Minutes

- I. **Welcome, Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance:** Jim Quimby led prayer, KC Rothschof led pledge of allegiance. Kari Montgomery opened the meeting at 12:12 p.m.
- II. **Review of February 5, 2018 General Meeting Minutes:** Larry Buehler made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Lucinda Ray seconded the motion; motion carried.
- III. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. Ambassadors report – Larry Buehler reported that the Liberal Chamber of Commerce will have their Annual Bash on Saturday, March 10. He said that the Livin’ Green ribbon cutting will be the first for this year.
 - b. Jr./Sr. Chamber Committee Report – Randy Jacobs said that the students are very busy and are preparing to launch their recycling program. Randy Coble from Enel Green Power said that they are partnering with the Jr./Sr. Student Chamber during Pioneer Days Rodeo.
 - c. Rodeo Committee Report – Kari Montgomery said that the Rodeo Committee’s 13th Annual Dinner, Dance & Draw Down on Feb. 17, was successful. Jim Quimby said that the committee is attempting to get the sponsorships wrapped up for the 2018 event.
 - d. Leadership Guymon Committee Report – Jada Breeden said that the 2018 Leadership Guymon Class will be participating in the Municipal Government Session on Thursday, March 8. Part of the experience for this session is attending the City Council Meeting that evening. Jada stated that the class will be traveling to Oklahoma City on March 26, to attend the Northwest Oklahoma Alliance’s Legislative Reception and then to the capitol on Tuesday, March 27. Kim Peterson is the facilitator for the State Government Session.
- IV. **Upcoming Chamber Events:**
 - a. *Leadership Guymon, Local Government Session* – Thurs., March 8. Dean McFadden is the facilitator for this session.
 - b. *Livin’ Green Ribbon Cutting* – 8:00 am, Sat., March 10, Main Street Guymon. The ribbon cutting will take place promptly at 8:10 am, in front of the Main Street Guymon Office.
 - c. *Education Committee* – 12:00 pm, Tues., March 20, Pub on the Bricks.
 - d. *Leadership Guymon, State Government Session & Panhandle Day at the Capitol* – March 26 & 27, Oklahoma City
 - e. *Workforce Oklahoma Open House & Ribbon Cutting* – Open House 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, Ribbon Cutting at 12:00 pm, 304 NE 4th St.
 - f. *GCofC General Membership Meeting* – 12:00 pm., Mon., April 2. Presentation of the 2018 Pioneer Queen & Parade Marshall

- g. *Eggs & Issues* – 7:00 – 8:00 am, Fri., April 6, Ambassador Restaurant. Sponsored by TCEC

V. Community Events:

- a. *Dairyland Donkey Basketball* – 7:00 pm, Mon., March 5, OPSU Anchor D Arena
- b. *Shop Local, Shop & Dine* – 4:00 – 7:00 pm, Thurs., April 5
- c. *Main Street Cash Mob* – 5:30 pm, April 12, Main Street Guymon
- d. *North Park Chili Supper* - 5:00 – 7:00 pm, Monday, March 5, VMUMC Enrichment Center. Proceeds fund the Accelerated Reader program.
- e. *Leadership Oklahoma* – The class will be in Guymon April 12-14.
- f. *Heritage Community's Easter Egg Hunt* – 2:00 pm, Friday, March 30, Heritage Community, 1401 N. Lelia.
- g. *TCEC Co-op Connections* – 12:00 – 1:00 pm, Thursday, March 22, Whispering Bliss Boutique.

VI. Old Business: No Old Business discussed.

VII. New Business: OPSU Alumni weekend will be in April. Jim and Sherry Quimby will be inducted into the Aggie Hall of Fame.

Kim Peterson thanked the voters for the YES on the Hotel/Motel tax increase.

Larry Buehler thanked the volunteers who helped with a Clean-Up Day at the Golf Course. They will be having their next clean-up day on March 24. Randy Coble said that they started at 10:00 am and quit when it got dark.

VIII. Adjourn: KC Rothschof made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jim Quimby seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 12:26 pm. Next meeting will be on Monday, April 2, 2018, 12:00 p.m. at the Ambassador Restaurant.

IX. Presentation: Workforce Oklahoma

Steve Crank, Office and Area Manager for Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, introduced OESC Specialist, Donna Riffel. Steve mentioned that the employees in the Guymon office serve the community and area very well, they go above and beyond to help people search for quality employees and assist in potential employees locate quality jobs.

The Oklahoma Employment Securities Commission offers direct contact service and online service for employers and potential employees to find each other. Employers can create their own search, or they can have the office staff assist them; jobs can be listed with a specific list of criteria.

Veterans receive priority in job searching by allowing them 24 hours prior notice before the job is open to the public.

OESC can offer a labor market information that will help with grant writing, economic development and assistance in employers meeting needs for tax credit qualifications. They provide a Federal Bonding Program that assists in employers writing bonds and can help with bonding an employee who may have difficulty because of past history.

Jada Breeden

Respectfully submitted

Approved