

Medway Business Council minutes: Wednesday, February 27, 2019, 10 am

Conference call. Present: Wayne Texeira, Julie Dennehy, Jennifer Powell, Tina Chemini. Not present: John Parrella, Tonia Marin

Conference Call number: (978) 567-4622 Code 1937

Meeting called to order at 10:05 am

1. Approval of minutes: accepted as submitted.
2. Board membership:
 - a. New board member needed – Wayne will write up an announcement to the membership. Several members have been asked informally, with varied interest; when speaking with anyone it's important to gauge whether they have time to participate as a board member.
 - b. 2019 Slate of Board members – brief discussion of who's willing to serve again in 2019-2020. Plan to firm up by next board meeting.
 - c. Bylaw change – RE: inactive board members. This led to a discussion of changing times – people's needs and availability to attend meetings are arguably different from what they were when MBC was formed. Discussion of changes in types of meetings as well as participation expectations. More like networking meetings than presentations? Also, how can responsibilities be distributed differently among board members – suggestion of if for example, we went to 4 events (quarterly) a year, each board member be responsible for organizing one event rather than an Event Coordinator to be responsible for all of them, if we do not have more people on the board.
3. Programming
 - a. February 13 event recap: Clint McHoul and Marc Cusano at Charles River Bank – went well.
 - b. March 21 event – Thursday lunch 11:30-1 @Mickey Cassidy's. Networking event - Jennifer will get the Jenga sets again from Laura at MACC. Cost \$20-25, to be determined. Julie to ask Mickey's for a gift certificate for a drawing.
 - c. April 17 event – breakfast? Venue options: Thayer House (\$), TC Scoops (no cost). Presentation topics (see last minutes) John Haddad (something tech) or Steve Jackson (cyber risks)
 - d. May 15 Annual Meeting dinner. Presentation suggestions from last time – 109/town topics? Wayne will contact Michael Boynton ASAP. (No response from Restaurant 45.)
4. Membership
 - a. Payments? No updates.
 - b. Web updated – John Haddad is migrating website to new server
5. Communications
 - a. Shop Medway – no updates. Julie suggested finding someone to be a “Shop Medway Ambassador”. There was also discussion of the Town gift basket

initiative from the Town Communications Director: is there some way
MBC/Shop Medway could interact with that effort and other related efforts;
Wayne will also bring this up to Michael Boynton when he speaks with him about
a May presentation.

- b. Upcoming Notices
 - c. Emails & Website
6. General Discussion – 1) see discussion above under Bylaw Change; 2) Julie reported on
contact from the Town about a 109 project completion event.

Next board meeting: tentatively March 13 @ 10 am.

Meeting adjourned at 10:53 am