

# **Sisseton Area Chamber of Commerce**

*Wednesday, July 9, 2020*

## Minutes

**Board Attending:** Aaron, Becky, Jennie Lynn, Katie, ChristyLee-per phone

**Others Attending:** Connie Wellnitz, Ashley Wolf- Executive Director

**Call to Order:** The regular July meeting was called to order by President Aaron.

**Appointment of New Board Member:** Aaron appointed Connie Wellnitz as the new board member. Jennie Lynn then made a motion to approve the nomination, ChristyLee seconded. Motion carried.

**Reading and Approval of Previous Minutes:** Becky made a motion to approve the June regular meeting minutes, Katie seconded. Motion carried.

**Financial Report:** Becky made a motion to approve the financials as read along with the following reimbursements: Ashely's 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Wages: \$2,550.04, Ashley's 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Bonus: \$1,120.00 and travel to Veblen to deliver cookies: \$15.12, Jennie Lynn seconded. Motion carried.

**Reimbursements for Travel:**

**Promotion Board Report:**

**Follow-Up Items:**

**Public Comment:** No public comment.

### **AGENDA ITEMS**

**Saluting Successes:** We will need to hold a Saluting Success for the R.C. 4-H building and Josh LaCroix.

**Welcome Sign by Rosalie's:** There has been complaints the Welcome to Sisseton sign near Rosalie's isn't being taken care of very well. After discussion Ashley is going to get a quote from Quality Color Curbing to have landscaping work done. Ashley is going to check if the Promotion Board will split the cost of the work with the chamber.

**Hidden Heroes:**

Local community members are very appreciative and impressed with the Hometown Hidden Heroes.

**Tours:**

Ashley asked if she lines up tours of Woodland, Schiltz Foods, Dakota Western and the Dairy if any board members would be interested in participating. The board said they would be.

**How do we promote businesses like insurance companies, law offices and banks:**

The board suggested Ashley going around and asking the insurances companies and others what their thoughts are.

**City Wide Rummage Sale:**

The City Wide Rummage Sale is set for July 25. The board suggested advertising in the Courier, Sota and on Facebook.

**Adopt a Classroom:**

Ashley asked the board if we wanted to do "Adopt a Classroom" again this year and the board suggested talking to April Moen with the changes that will happen due to Covid-19. Suggestions were volunteering to check temps at the door or maybe providing supplies instead of books.

**Yard Contest:**

Ashley asked what we wanted to give as a prize for the Yard Decorating Contest. The board said if there are no nominations do not give out a prize, but if there is give \$25 in Chamber Cheques.

**Fall Farm Lunches:**

Billy with KDLO radio asked if we wanted to do farm lunches again this year. The board said yes, but wait to pay for them until it gets closer.

**Hydrant Block Party:**

A community member came to the chamber with the idea of a hydrant block party for the kids where the firetruck hose would act as a giant sprinkler. After talking to the fire department it was decided not to pursue the idea.

**Meat Raffle:**

Ashley asked when to start the meat raffle we had planned for the spring. It was decided to start it at the Burger Throw Down. Ashley is going to put in the application to see if the city will let us have the event. If not, the meat raffle will start before Farm Lunches.

**Community Feature:**

The State Economic Development Corp asked Ashley to put together a short video introducing herself and highlighting Sisseton for their Facebook page. Ashley is going to check with the Promotion Board if they will fund the making of the video if there is a cost.

**Promotion Board L.B.P. Fund:**

The Promotion Board is throwing out the idea of structuring their budget a little bit different where local promotions under \$500 will go through the chamber instead of through them. The Promotion Board would then reimburse the chamber quarterly for the expenses. The chamber board had many questions about this fund. A meeting will be scheduled with the chamber and the Promotion Board to answer questions and work out details if the chamber agrees with the L.B.P. fund

**Other:**

**Next Meeting:** Ashley will send out a Doodle.

**Adjournment** – Katie made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Connie seconded. Meeting adjourned.