

EWI-Roanoke October Board Meeting
Wed Oct 8, 2008 4:30pm
UBS Financial Board Room

Attending:

Michelle Chambers, Tonya Harper, Wanda Hatchett, Becky Beard, Corrie Bowers, Linda Mack, Ashley Austin, Leslie Coty, Libby Camper

Meeting called to order 4:35pm by Wanda Hatchett, President.

Old Business: EWI Display-Anna & Tonya

EWI has just changed their logo; we will wait until we have it before production (by Sir Speedy) of a pop up display; this is something we can use at our meetings & vendor fairs we attend.

New Business: Board Retreat Wed Oct 15 at Tonya's home; a food sign up sheet was passed around. We will be discussing the budget for 2009 & adding a marketing line item. Committee sign up sheets will be available.

Treasurer's Report: Michelle reported that one of our CDs (\$2500) had matured & was moved to SunTrust for a 4.0% APY for 13 months.

Membership: Linda reported we are currently at 18 members; Jo Lynn Seifert has left Blue Ridge Business Journal, Leslie will contact the new sales rep to see if she is interested in joining us for the remainder of the year.

Doloris Vest with Western VA Workforce Development has submitted all of her paperwork & check to become a new member firm; the board approved. Linda will post to all members to get their approval.

Sandy McMinnis w/VA Western Community College has expressed an interest; we will have to meet with the college president, Bobby Sandel, to present our organization & potential membership opportunity.

Programs: Tonight is firm night at Orvis, Nov meeting "Eye on EWI" will target all areas of EWI w/PowerPoint & committee chairs speaking on what their committee does. This will be perfect opportunity for potential members & all the Execs since most are in the budget season. Dec will be Dirty Santa. More details on 2009 programs will be available at the board retreat.

Publications: no report

Director at Large: no report

Sergeant-at-Arms: Leslie needs a co-chair since Jo Lynn is no longer with us. Invocations will be a mix of prayers to inspirational in 2009.

Ways & Means: Libby reported we completed our 2008 fundraiser with the First Fridays event on Oct 3. Currently we do not have a chair for this committee in 2009. Other ideas we are pursuing are Party in the Park; very similar to First Fridays & you can participate every other year. This would work well if we continue to be selected for First Fridays on the even years.

Reading Rally: Wanda & Leslie attended the volunteer luncheon at Hurt Park last week; the 3rd grade teachers are excited we will be reading again. Ms. Howell, one of the first set of teachers we worked with, has returned to school after spending a couple of years at home with her young twins.

Respectfully submitted by Libby Camper, Secretary