

East Paris Business Association Member Meeting

April 7, 2010 Minutes

John called the meeting to order at 8:05 AM.

Everyone introduced themselves (15 people).

John informed us that the next meeting will be co-sponsored by CBA and ABA on May 12 at Rehmann.

Board Reports:

Wendy reported that the Forest Hills Expo was a success. Vendors and guests were very happy.

Nancy reported that all bills are paid and the balance in checking account is \$5,431.60.

John presented the new by-law changes. See addendum. The changes passed unanimously. John will e-mail the members and those who are not present may vote (to make a quorum).

Kids Food Basket Juice Drive: John reported that we gathered 20 cases of juice. He shared the thank you note that we received.

Trish welcomed everyone to Integrated Architecture and offered a tour after the meeting.

John reminded us about the Electronics Recycling event on April 17th and roadside clean-up beginning at 9 AM. We're meeting at Integrated. Lisa is in charge of the roadside clean-up. Please sign up to help.

Speaker: Bruce Schedbauer, APR, Marketing and Communications Manager of the Gerald R. Ford Airport presented an overview of the airport. It's the primary airport for West Michigan. Bruce described the new construction changes –including a new 4 story covered parking ramp. Total improvements cost \$31 million. There are 9 passenger carriers that serve the airport, with 23 non-stop destinations. GRR is an international airport because we have a US customs office on site. The airport is totally self-supporting and uses no tax funding.

No law enforcement update.

Member News:

Keystone Pharmacy sponsors many speakers and is looking for a new space to conduct them.

Gymco has bike riding clinics going on this month. Zoup will be offering new salads on their menu.

Byron Bank is offering a 3.49 equity and cars loan specials in April. Generations is conducting a fundraising art auction on April 22 -7 AM-6 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 9 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Albro, Secretary