

Minutes  
Mebane Business Association Meeting  
Martinho's Event Center  
Wednesday, July 2, 2008

Tara Corbet, new MBA president, welcomed 28 members and 2 guests, Rob Jennings with Davis and Humbert, and Sam Morgan with Expense Reduction Analysts.

Joe Wrenn, treasurer, gave an overview of finances reporting 32,793 in the bank, with an additional \$30,000 in a money market account. We still have approximately \$10,000 in outstanding sponsorship money from the Dogwood Festival. A detailed report will be made at the August 4th meeting.

Dues for this year were sent via email. If dues are not paid after 30 days, a hard copy will be sent to those members who have not paid.

There was a discussion about whether the MBA would again this year contribute \$2,000 to the purchase of jerseys for the basketball rec teams. It was decided not to contribute this money this year and to explore other ways of sponsorship.

A new item on the agenda is a 60 second business happening spot. Members may request to be included in this spot at each monthly meeting.

Tara Corbett asked that we have more MBA members sign up for set-up and tear-down at Clay Street After Work. Next event is Friday, July 18. She passed around a sign up sheet. This should be the responsibility of the MBA members not downtown merchants.

Jackie Brown reminded everyone of the upcoming Newcomer's Guide and asked that anyone interested see her after the meeting.

Elma Dorfman said that Sunfest is set for August 9 downtown on Clay Street.

Any one interested may sign up to be on the Budget Committee. A sign up sheet was distributed and due to the large number of people who signed up for the committee, Joe Wrenn said he would let everyone know of the location for the July 15, 3 pm meeting.

We are looking into having a suggestion box on our website. More information at the next meeting.

Everyone was given an opinion poll to complete. The result of this poll will be discussed at the next board meeting on July 23.

Tara said the Mebane Arts and Community Center is holding the Saturday night of next year's Dogwood Festival for the MBA for a possible band and dance. After a short discussion, a motion was made by Elma Dorfman, with second by Jackie Brown, to release this date.

Gary Brandt asked for approval to buy a laptop computer in order to do the treasurer's work for the MBA. The computer would belong to the MBA and could be passed along each year to the treasurer. Motion was made and seconded for Gary to buy a computer with the software needed to fulfill his duties.

Upcoming meetings: MBA board meeting, Wed., July 23, 8:30 am A&M Grill  
MBA general meeting, Wed., August 6, 9 am Martinho's Event Center  
City Council meeting, Monday, August 4, 6 pm

Respectfully submitted  
Jackie Brown  
Secretary