

Oconto Falls Area Chamber of Commerce
Membership Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, February 17, 2022 Time: 7:30 a.m.

Location: Oconto Falls Senior Center and Zoom

Agenda Item	Discussion	Follow-up Action
I. Welcome		
II. Call to Order	<p>President Gail Yatso called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m.</p> <p>Thank you to Abrams Theatre for donating 2 tickets to the upcoming show, Beauty and the Beast, Jr. Jeff Schullo was the random winner of the tickets.</p>	
III. Introductions	<p>15 members in attendance, 2 virtual; each introduced themselves.</p> <p>Thank you to FFA Alumni for sponsoring breakfast!</p>	<p>If your business/organization would like to sponsor a lunch during 2022, please contact Katie Daul. With your sponsorship, you will be given time on the agenda to share about your business/organization.</p>
IV. Member Spotlight	<p>FFA Alumni and FFA of Oconto Falls High School presented on various projects in the chapter and in the Ag rooms. Programs highlight community education, youth apprenticeships, service projects, and hosting of various events through the year. Tours for members are available. Plant Sale will start in May. Corn Hole fundraising tournament is 2/26 at Blue Spruce. FFA Alumni is now FFA Alumni and Supporters and meets the first Tuesday monthly at 7p.</p>	<p>Visit ocontofallsagzone.org for up-to-date news and information</p> <p>Thank you Mr. Wally Taylor and FFA President Dylan for joining us!</p>
V. Approval of Agenda	<p>The agenda was accepted as presented.</p>	
VI. Reports		
a. Secretary	<p>Minutes from January were shared electronically prior to the meeting. Approved as presented.</p>	
b. Treasurer	<p>Treasurer's Report was available at the meeting.</p>	

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i. 2022 Budget	<p>Note: Government is now charging non-profits to file.</p> <p>2022 final and approved at January meeting.</p>	
c. Chamber Communications (Facebook, Newsletter, Welcome Sign)	<p>The West side electronic sign is nonfunctioning. Facebook and Newsletter are going well.</p>	<p>Gail Yatso to follow up on sign.</p> <p>If you don't receive the newsletter, please sign up on our website.</p> <p>If you have something of interest, please share with the Chamber so it can be shared on your behalf.</p>
d. Membership	<p>Looking to schedule ribbon cuttings for Dollar General, Hot Rod Detailing, S&L, Canady & Co.</p>	<p>Gail Yatso will follow-up with members who have not renewed for 2022.</p>
VII. Committee Reports/Events		
a. Oconto Falls Area Trail System	<p>Bike Coalition continues to add trails.</p> <p>Ski trails are open and events are being held.</p>	
<p>b. Healthy Oconto County</p> <p>Farmers Market</p> <p>Physical Activity & Nutrition</p>	<p>No report</p> <p>2022 planning is underway. Looking for vendors and sponsorships. Up to date information can be found on the Oconto County Farmers Market Facebook page and website.</p> <p>No report</p>	<p>Chamber will share opportunities to volunteer and sponsor.</p>
c. Run for the Trails 9/24/22	<p>Committee continues to meet. Website is live.</p>	
<p>d. Concert Series</p> <p>6/24</p> <p>7/22</p> <p>8/26</p>	<p>2 bands have been reserved.</p> <p>Grace Lutheran Church will be holding a Christian concert on 7/23 (East Side Beach) from 11a-3p.</p>	<p>If you have band suggestions, please forward them to Gail.</p> <p>If you would like to support the Christian concert event, please contact</p>

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		Grace Lutheran, Pam Langley, or Jeff Schullo.
e. Leadership Oconto County	Upcoming session for March is State Government. Participants will be meeting with State legislators, justices, and staffers. Applications for class 2022-23 are being accepted.	
f. Chamber Golf Social (7/28)	Chamber will host a Golf Social the afternoon of July 28 at River Island Golf Course. Event includes 9 holes and dinner.	
VIII. Old Business		
a. Chamber Bucks	Continue to advertise chamber bucks with posters, pamphlets. Bucks can be mailed or purchased on our website store and mailed to you. You can also pick up at Hometown Vet (call ahead). Reminder to consider chamber bucks for holidays, anniversaries, employee recognition, raffle prizes, etc.	
b. City Signs	Gail Yatso and Terry Magnin have been meeting to address.	
c. Bike Racks	Gail Yatso and Terry Magnin have been meeting to address.	
d. Future of Chamber	Continue to discuss at Board level. Volunteers are needed to continue the success of Chamber. A paid "Executive Director" position may be available in the future.	
e. Other Old Business	None shared.	
IX. New Business		
a. Other new business	None shared.	
X. Membership Updates	Membership shared updates. Of note... HealthWorks - Connector Model for retirement/benefits may be beneficial for small business owners.	

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	<p>Flagstar - Hosting a First Time Home Buyer Seminar on 3/9 from 6-7:30p</p> <p>NWTC - Nursing Assistant classes, COVID funds available to those looking to continue</p> <p>Lioness Club - Meat Raffle at S&S on 4/3</p> <p>Grace Lutheran - Outdoor concert 7/23; Ash Wednesday services through Easter - all are welcome</p> <p>OEC - Accepting applications for 10-12th graders to participate in Leadership Conference at UW-Stout</p> <p>FFA Alumni - Hosting a Corn Hole Tourney fundraiser on 2/26 at Blue Spruce</p> <p>Senior Center - Construction could begin in April</p> <p>Oconto Falls School District - Need volunteers to share referendum material. REferendum Informational meeting 3/8</p> <p>Hometown Vet - New veterinary, Dr. Jammie VerGiesen, seeing patients including exotics. A new mobile unit is available.</p> <p>Lions Club - Annual Rose Sale - order by 3/16; delivery on 4/1</p>	
<p>Next Membership Meeting: March 17 at 12:00 p.m. at Oconto Falls School District - District office; Oconto Falls School District will be sponsoring lunch!</p> <p>Next Board of Directors Meeting: February 23 at 7:30 a.m. at Hometown Veterinary Clinic.</p>		