



Oconto Falls Area Chamber of Commerce
Membership Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023 Time: 12:00 p.m.

Location: Grace Lutheran Church, Oconto Falls

Agenda Item	Discussion	Follow-up Action
I. Welcome		
II. Call to Order	President Danielle Kline called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.	
III. Introductions	12 members in attendance; each introduced themselves.	If your business/organization would like to sponsor a meal for 2023 , please contact Katie Daul. With your sponsorship, you will be given time on the agenda to share about your business/organization.
IV. Member Spotlight	O’Harrow’s Family Farm sponsored lunch; thank you! Ginny from O’Harrow’s shared some fun facts about the agriculture industry and reminded everyone to be patient and be cautious while farmers are on the roads with their equipment.	
V. Approval of Agenda	The agenda was approved as presented.	
VI. Reports		
a. Secretary	Minutes from November were sent electronically prior to the meeting for review. Two corrections were requested; accepted with corrections.	
b. Treasurer; Chamber Bucks Report	Report was available at the meeting. Debbie gave a report on Chamber Bucks, with several hundred dollars not redeemed. The Chamber will be the fiscal agent for the Oconto County Health and Safety Expo being held 5/6/23.	



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<p>c. Chamber Communications (Electronic Signs, Website, Social Media, Newsletter, Calendar)</p>	<p>The electronic sign needed service from vendors; an invoice will be forthcoming. It was a great collaboration to get the sign up and running again.</p> <p>Submit your events!</p>	<p>If you have something of interest, please share with the Chamber so it can be shared on your behalf.</p>
<p>d. Membership/Ribbon Cuttings</p>	<p>None at this time.</p>	
<p>e. City Administrator</p>	<p>The City Administrator Report was not available at the time of the meeting.</p>	
<p>VII. Committee Reports/Events</p>		
<p>a. Oconto Falls Area Trail System Kiosks</p>	<p>Continue to invest in trail system. Working with Biking Coalition to update signage/add kiosks to trails.</p>	
<p>b. Healthy Oconto County Nutrition & Physical Activity</p>	<p>Community Garden: Committee is in its fundraising stage and asks will be out soon for fencing and other needs.</p> <p>Farmers Market: Flyer, Vendor Application, and Donation letters have been sent out.</p> <p>Walk into the Weekend walking series is being planned for the summer. Registration will open soon - 1-hr walks on our trails around the county.</p>	<p>If you would like to learn more, please reach out to Angie Ahlgrim.</p> <p>More information will be shared electronically.</p>
<p>c. 2023 Concert Series Planning 6/23 7/28 8/25</p>	<p>Looking for volunteers to assist with set up and take down.</p>	<p>Contact any Board member if interested in being on concert series committee or able to volunteer.</p>

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d. Leadership Oconto County	Participants traveled to Madison in March to learn about state government. Sponsorship and applications for next program year will be out soon. Also looking for individuals willing to serve on the Program Committee, which plans the monthly sessions	Seeking participants for next year's class and Program Committee! Please reach out to Ashley Bahrke to learn more.
e. Golf Social 7/20	Golf Social is scheduled for Thursday, July 20 at River Island Golf Course. Membership meeting will start at 1p, with golf starting at 3p.	Looking for volunteers for planning and day-of. Please reach out to the Board if interested.
VIII. Old Business		
a. City Signs	Signs will be ordered within the next 2 weeks. Directionals have been corrected; design finalized.	
b. Bike Racks	HOLD until Spring 2023.	
c. Chamber Director	Application received; interview is set up for 3/24.	Please see the job posting on our website. https://ocontofallschamber.com/employment-and-volunteer-opportunities/
d. Other Old Business	Discussion about plans with Run for the Trails funds. Funds will continue to be made available for maintenance of various trails.	If you know of trails that need attention, reach out to the Board.
IX. New Business		
a. Other New Business	None.	
X. Membership Updates	<p>Membership shared updates. Of note:</p> <p>OFSD - Check activities calendar for all events. Elections for Board of Education in April. Referendum updates include: In DRAFT design stages for Middle School and requesting bids for roofs and secure entrances.</p> <p>NWTC - Tractor Safety for Kids class will be held in April.</p> <p>Lioness Club -Meat Raffle fundraiser scheduled for 4/2 at 1p at S&S. Dash O.F. Color in scheduled for 5/27 at 9a at Memorial Field; will also have a Wheel-barrow drawing.</p>	



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	<p>BayCare - Now closed on Fridays. Just returned from eyecare mission trip!</p> <p>Ann Senn - Home Buyer Seminar 3/16 in Suamico.</p> <p>New View - hiring summer staff. Posting is on our website.</p> <p>N.E.W. Credit Union -Children’s Miracle Network Auction is 4/20 at Romy’s. Special on now for share certificates.</p> <p>HSHS: Drug Take Back Event on 4/22 from 10a-1p. Collecting donations for food pantry in honor of St. Joseph. Collecting new cereal boxes for domino challenge to benefit Nurse’s Nook.</p> <p>Grace Lutheran: Joyful Noise outdoor concert scheduled for June 24 from 2-6p. Looking for local bands to perform. 2nd Tuesday monthly, Lunch and Social from 11:30-1:30</p> <p>Library: Make a Gift for Mom on 5/6 at 9a-12p. Recent recipient of Charity Bingo. Book Sale during Memorial Weekend.</p> <p>Senior Center: OPEN with new elevator and great event space; Meals on Wheels/Meal site OPEN.</p> <p>NOTE: Encompass will be opening in Oconto Falls in the Spring of 2024. 140 slots for children and 20 employee job openings.</p>	<p>Meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.</p>
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Next Membership Meeting: April 20, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.at TBD

Next Board of Directors Meeting: March 28 at 7:30 a.m. at HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital