Foristell Chamber of Commerce

Meeting Minutes – March 5, 2013

The Foristell Chamber of Commerce met at Porlier Outdoor Advertising in Foristell, Missouri on March 5, 2013. The meeting was called to order by President Mark Van Dillen. Reverend Richard Paton gave the invocation. Introductions were made by the following members present: Mark Van Dillen, Charlene Twiehaus, Nancy Hance, Michelle Smith, Laura McLane, Jackie Stewart, John Pickering, Ken Orf, Jack Sanford, Chris Gaines, Kari Monsees, Peg Alexander, Ray Alexander, Casey Boyer, Tim Geraghty, Tim Hooton, Julie Feast, Rachel Merz, Sheri Dixon, Phil Reid, Rev, Richard Paton, John Eberhardt, and Chris Robinson, the guest speaker.

<u>Minutes</u> Meeting minutes from February were emailed to all members for approval prior to the meeting. Minutes were approved as written.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> Nancy Hance reported that the account balance as of March 5th was \$4,112.75. Treasurer's Report was approved.

<u>City Report</u> Sandy Stokes was not present. Alderman John Pickering was present and reported that "things are going well" for the City of Foristell.

Wright City School District Chris Gaines reported that there have been three snow days for the district so far this year. He also reported that the Robotics team competed in Rolla and placed 2nd in state. Wright City school board elections are coming up soon. The annual Blue and Gold event is on Saturday March 23rd.

Wentzville School District Kari Monsees reported that the Wentzville School District has had two snow days. May 24the should be the last day of school. Discovery Ridge Elementary was named a National Finalist in the 2013 National Schools of Character Program. Timberland Boys Basketball made it to district, and Timberland wrestling team won 3rd at state level and Holt wrestling team won 4th at state. Kari also reported that Pam Frazier from Warren County R-III School District will be the new CFO replacing himself for the Wentzville School District due to his move.

<u>Guest Speaker</u> Chris Robinson was the guest speaker. Chris is a leadership trainer and has studied the principles of John Maxwell. He spoke on leading from any position focusing on middle management. He used a "leadership compass" to demonstrate his positional leadership components: of leading up or "influencing the influencers"; leading across or peer leadership; and leading below or developmental leadership. Chris gave a great presentation and offered an overview of leading at all levels.

<u>Old Business</u> It was noted that all chamber members should go to the Foristell Chamber website and check their own member listing to see if it brings up the correct link.

New Business The scholarship committee for 2013 will be Charlene Twiehaus and Julie Feast.

<u>Announcements:</u> Julie Feast from Ameren UE handed out SB 207 Fact Vs Fiction sheets regarding ads currently running by opponents on Infrastructure Strengthening and Regulatory Streamlining. Ray Alexander announced that Shiloh Methodist Church will have an egg hunt and crafts as well as a breakfast on Easter Sunday. Rev. Richard Paton announced that the Foristell Christian Church will also host a breakfast Easter morning.

Next Meeting: Tuesday April 2nd at Boyer Academy of Martial Arts in Foristell.

Julie Feast won the 50/50 raffle and donated her winnings to the scholarship fund. Laura McLane won the John Maxwell book donated by Chris Robinson and Michelle Smith won the leadership CD.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:02pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene Twiehaus

Chamber Secretary