

Wichita Pride, Inc
Meeting Minutes for April 29, 2009
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Meeting attended by:

Bert Pearce, president; Alex Goh, vice-president; Pat Munz, treasurer; Mark Kahabka, secretary; Bruce McKinney, Mindy Kufahl, Elliott Bennett, and Tony Tetreault.

Meeting called to order at 7:23 p.m. by Bert P.

Additions to agenda:

New business – Unified Party Bus

Motion to accept amended agenda made by
Pat M.

Second: Alex G.

Motion passed by consensus.

New guests were recognized, Mindy Kufahl, with Sedgwick Cty Health Dept.; Elliott Bennet, and Tony Tetreault. Introductions were made.

Motion to accept meeting minutes of March 11, 2009 was made by
Bruce Mc.

Second: Pat M.

Motion passed, unanimously.

Motion to accept meeting minutes of April 8, 2009 was made by
Bruce Mc.

Second: Pat M.

Motion passed, unanimously.

Motion to accept meeting minutes of April 15, 2009 was made by
Bruce Mc.

Second: Pat M.

Motion passed, unanimously.

Motion to accept meeting minutes of April 22, 2009 was made by
Bruce Mc.

Second: Pat M.

Motion passed, unanimously.

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BOD Reports:

Bert P. – president:

1. Google document for interactive meeting agenda is in process.
2. Button artwork has been approved by the company. Buttons are expected on or about May 5th.
3. Naftzger Park survey went well; no final decisions were made by the board.
4. Twitter and Facebook are running with daily updates.

Pat M. – treasurer:

1. No bank statement at this time.
2. Plan to have a reconciled bank statement next week.
3. Girl to Girl on Sat., April 25th, WPI merchandise table raised \$348.00.
4. WPI needs 12 to 15 thousand dollars more to pay for Pride Week.
5. Storage unit has been paid for the month.
6. M&M Insurance process is started.

Scott H. – PRO:

1. Scott is absent due to illness, discussion of PR issues.
2. Liberty Press went in for the May issue.
3. Scott needs to be briefed on Press Releases as they need 6 week lead time.

Standing Committee Reports:

Fundraising –

1. Club 1507 planning a benefit for Sun. night, May 3rd 8:30 – 10:30pm.
 - a. Sunday Night Sizzle Drag King Show
 - b. Tips donated to WPI.

IT – Bert P.:

1. No online purchasing structure at this time.
2. Website updated (wrong date for Pride needs to be corrected.)
3. Calendar system on Google, updates the website calendar automatically.
4. Internet phone “Toktumi” is working.

Merchandise –

1. All merchandise is gathered at Bert’s house at this time.
2. Planning an online merchandise check out system.

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Liberty Press Ad / Pride Guide:

1. 8 pages for the June "Pride Guide" issue
 - a. Bert: Letter from WPI board.
 - b. Mark: List of board and committee members.
 - c. Mark: List of volunteers.
 - d. Kristi: Map of Parade route.
 - e. Tom: Site map.
 - f. Mark: List of honorees
 - i. Bios
 - g. Mark: List of nominees.
 - h. Mark: List of rally speakers.
 - i. Mark: List of entertainers.
 - j. Bruce: One page artwork/poster on the film "Milk" with bio/hx.
 - k. Kristi: Wigstock story.
 - l. Mark, Tom: List of events
2. Mark to coordinate with Kristi on the Pride Guide.

Motion to take 5 min. recess was made by

Bruce Mc.

Second: Pat M.

Motion passed by consensus.

Meeting recessed at 8:20 pm.

Meeting reconvened at 8:25 pm.

Ad Hoc committees:

Parade and Line-up – Tom W.

1. Get list from Scott H. on verbal commitments for parade entries.
2. Follow-up on verbal commitments to encourage and obtain registration forms and fees.

Color Guard – Amy F.

1. We are missing 2 flags (Bisexual and Transgender)
 - a. Stitch-in-Time will require us to purchase fabric and get to them.
 - b. Cost of materials plus approx. \$45.00 for sewing.
 - c. Check website example of flags to match correct colors for materials.
2. Tom W. and Deb W. have contacts within the school system with the GSA's. They are to make contacts for students to volunteer for the color guard.

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Vendors – Alex G.

1. We currently have 8 – 10 verbal and email commitments for vendor space.
 - a. Sedg. Cty Health Dept.
 - b. MCC
 - c. KC Pflag
 - d. Positive Directions
 - e. Care Chiropractic
 - f. Woolf
 - g. Bears
 - h. SCHD has some contacts that may be interested in vendor space.
 - i. Plan to approach 1740 (Pansexual BDSM organization)
 - j. Contact “Giggles and Wiggles” provide a vendor space at no charge for children’s activity space.
 - k. Contact Moe’s Sub shop.
2. Discussion of beverage sales. Decision postponed to next week.

Site Manager – Brenda Gray

1. Met with board Friday, April 24th at Naftzger Park.
 - a. Discussion of potential site layout especially regarding stage site (in or out of park with or without portable stage, etc...)
 - b. No final decisions at this time.

Volunteers – Bruce Mc.

1. Establish positions.
2. Bert posting MySpace messages out to friends and contacts for volunteers.

Security – Tom W., Tammy H.

1. Tom is coordinating with Sgt. Moore of the WPD.
2. Establish “Press pass” for all approved media presence.

Schedule of events at this time are:

Rally

1. Courthouse steps
2. Speaker confirmations:
 - a. Jason Croucher, openly gay city councilperson in Osage City.
 - b. Janet Miller, City council member.
 - c. Maggie Childs, State KEC, chair.
 - d. Nathan Mundis, KEC, Wichita chapter, chair.
 - e. Carl Brewer has agreed to speak if his schedule permits.
3. Speakers to be: (in discussion: potentially, Janet Miller, Carl Brewer, Anita Cochran, Dawson Grimsley, Grand Marshal)
4. Still need megaphone

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Parade

1. Line up at noon (Tom W. to oversee)
2. Step at 2pm
3. Tom W. and Deb W. will be contacting and meeting with East and South High GSA counselors and students regarding recruits for color guard.

Festival

1. Portable Stage \$500.00 with \$300.00 security deposit.
2. Bleachers \$200.00 with \$250.00 security deposit
 - a. Renting of both grants a \$100.00 discount.
 - b. Total cost \$600.00 rental, \$550.00 refundable security deposit.
3. Discussion of placement, east parking lot.
 - a. Ongoing, awaiting response from Greg Johnson with MSI and contact with owners of property in question.
4. Discussion regarding a Wedding, Holy Union, Commitment Ceremony being performed at the Festival this year.
 - a. Further discussion with parties involved as to timing during the festival event, when, where, how, etc... No final decision at this time.
5. Beer Garden (add to agenda)

Skate Party

1. Sunday, June 21st, at Skate East 2 – 4 pm.

Wigstock

1. Tuesday, June 23rd, at Riverside Hair Station, 4 – 7 pm.
2. Poster/artwork, coming in an email
3. Producers of Wigstock are requesting title holders for judging entries.

Orpheum feature “Milk” – Confirmed.

1. Thursday, June 25th.
 - a. Tickets are \$5.00, \$2.00 with a button
 - b. We may print tickets and obtain advanced sales.

MCC dinner and concert with Justin Ryan

1. In initial planning stages at this time.
 - a. Planning for Friday evening, June 26th.
 - b. Contacts Kim Rosenberry and Bobbi Green

Kick Off Party!

1. Initial planning stages at this time.
 - a. Bruce and Pat will coordinate with Ivan (owner of Unified Party Bus.)
 - b. Prices, Rules, Liability, etc...
 - c. Possible exchange: Ivan run the beer garden we get lower price on party bus?
2. Bruce to bring more information to next meeting.

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Festival entertainment

1. Discussion of bringing Charles McVey, singer/songwriter (hard edged.)
 - a. \$150.00 fee
 - b. \$30.00 approx. in unusual “perk” requirements.
 - c. No decision at this time, to be discussed next week.

Motion to adjourn was made by
Bruce Mc.

Adjournment was ruled by chair.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Meeting minutes were taken and prepared by Mark K.