

Wichita Pride, Inc
Meeting Minutes for September 23, 2009

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Meeting attended by:

Bert Pearce, president; Alex Goh, vice-president; Pat Munz, treasurer; Scott Hollander, PRO; Mark Kahabka, secretary, Tony Tetreault, Elliott Bennett, Eyan Butterfield, Leah Hanson, Cindi Underwood, Neil Harmon, Ray Butterfield, Tommy Nguyen, Jasmine Marshall, and Sean McDonald.

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Bert P.

Motion to approve agenda as presented was made by Pat M.

Second: Scott H.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to accept minutes of September 23, 2009 as amended was made by Pat M.

Second: Elliott B.

Motion passed unanimously.

Open session:

1. KEC announced:

- a. 2010 is a census year. The census form does not allow a gay couple to register as a "couple" per se. There is however, a manner in which the form can be completed which will register a couple as a gay couple.
- b. A voter registration drive is being planned.
- c. KEC is requesting WPI to assist in education regarding the census and voter registration.

BOD Reports:

Mark K. – secretary:

1. See written report this record.

Scott H. – public relations officer:

1. Report items to be covered in later agenda items.

Pat M. – treasurer:

1. Written financial report has not been completed. Plan to have by next week.
2. UPB contract returned with check, awaiting confirmation.

Alex G. – vice-president:

1. No report at this time.

Bert P. – president:

1. Report items to be covered in later agenda items.

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Standing Committee Reports:

IT – Elliott B.

1. Bruce Mc. still needs to provide a WPI history for the Website.
2. Continue to need headshots of Pat M. and Mark K. for the Website.
3. Transition to Network Solutions web host site is underway.
4. WPI.com is available through a “scalp” company for \$347.00
 - a. Will likely remain available.
 - b. Monitor for the company to drop ownership and obtain then, or
 - c. Obtain through an intermediary at a lower cost of approx. \$100.00
5. Website “Forums” and “Galleries” are under construction.
6. Plan to contact Dustin regarding social networking announcements.

Marketing / Advertising –

Merchandise – Leah H.

1. No report at this time.

Old Business:

Fundraising – BOD, chairs appointed to specific events.

1. Halloween Party, Costume Contest – Tony, Elliott, and Mark
 - a. No Venue
 - b. Sponsors would take upwards of 3 weeks to respond to funding requests.
 - c. Remaining time frame prohibits a successful event at this time.
 - d. Party Bus Fall Bar Crawl is the week before and plans are underway for a Beer Bust.
2. Recommendation to cancel Halloween party for this year and begin plans for a major event for 2010 was accepted by consensus.
3. Options: plan a Halloween night with the MCC.
4. Party Bus Bar Crawl for Fall 2009 – Pat M.
 - a. Scheduled for Friday October 23rd.
 - b. “Mama” will host.
 - c. 43 seats are available.
 - d. Posters are up and about town. Info is on the website.
5. Party Bus “Christmas Lights Tour” – Pat M. and Mark K.
 - a. Contact Unified Party Bus for available night.

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Proposed Bylaw Revisions – 2009

1. Mark K. will prepare a document of all proposed bylaw amendments to be emailed to the current members in good standing (with the suggested changes in wording from this meeting). Members are asked to review, consider, clarify as needed and suggest any further wording changes that may be considered.
 - a. Retyping the form and format has not been completed at this time.
 - b. Plan is to have this completed this week.
2. Any further discussion of the proposed bylaw amendments will continue at next week's meeting and through the date of final vote which will be October 14, 2009.

Tabled Business: Not discussed at this meeting.

1. Motion to move Pride Festival to September 2011 was made by Ken S. Seconded by Pat M. Motion to table was ruled by the chair.
2. Standing Committee Chair appointments
 - a. Volunteers
 - b. Fixed Assets
 - i. BOD via the treasurer
 - c. Corporate Sponsorship / Grant Writing

New Business:

Motion to extend the Logo and Theme contest submissions to November 15th was made by
Bruce Mc.

Second: Pat M.

Motion failed 3 Ayes, 8 Nays and 1 Abstention.

Motion to extend the Logo and Theme contest submissions to October 31st was made by
Scott H.

Second Pat M.

Motion passed 11 Ayes and 1 Abstention.

Announcements:

1. October 8, 10am – 8pm, Exploration Place hosting a free Fire Safety Education program. Great for kids of all ages.

Adjournment ruled by chair.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm

Meeting minutes were taken and prepared by Mark K.