

**Minutes of the Meeting**  
**Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce**  
**January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 12:00pm**  
**Lower Level of Memorial Hall**

**Present:** Nancy Chatwin, Marni Harrison, Jodi Winkler, Ashley Froese, Scott Johnston, Tyler King, Bill Vanderveen, Sheena Nakonechney, Jason Rheault, Kelly Dyck, Mark Peters, Jennifer Courtney, India Young, Griffin Carnelley, Mayghan McEacheran, and Richard Dyck.

**1. Call to order:**

Kelly Dyck called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm

**2. Introductions:**

Introductions were made by all in attendance

**3. Approval of Agenda**

Scott Johnston moved to accept the January agenda as circulated – Jason Rheault Seconded – Carried

**4. Community Reports:**

**Carman Collegiate – India Young, Griffin Carnelley, Jennifer Courtney**

- The Junior Student Council had a very busy holiday season. They hosted Halloween events such as a costume contest, mummy wrap and a Halloween Dance.
- The council hosted a Christmas themed spirit week and capped the week off with a talent show.
- They hosted a pie in the face fundraiser as well as a pancake breakfast.
- They will look to host a few other fundraisers and school spirit events before the school year is complete.
- The Senior Student Council held their 3rd Annual Wellness Day on Dec 16. Students in Grade 9-12, and the staff, took part in a Mental Health Wellness Day. They welcomed a keynote speaker who addressed the topic of self care, and then students went into breakout sessions which included: games, gym games, art, and foods.
- Again, this year the Student Council helped with the Carman and Community Christmas Cheer Board. They assisted the committee by setting up tables, packing turkeys and hams into hampers, and delivering hampers in the community.
- Carman Collegiate's Formal Dinner and Dance was held on Dec 19, and their Annual Pancake Breakfast for all students was held on December 20.
- Looking forward, they will have a study hall/snack break organized during exam week for students, and will promote Bell Let's Talk Day with the school.

**Boyne Regional Library Expansion Project – As submitted by Dale Owen**

- At this point, there is \$14,500 left to raise out of approximately \$1.25 million.
- Progress on the building is on schedule. The library will receive the keys to the new build back from LCL Construction on the 31st of January, and will reopen in the old(new) location on February 12,2020. The temporary library will close on January 25th and packing up will start. Make sure you borrow before the 25th and then you can keep your borrowed items until the reopening. The Library Board is planning a Grand Opening on the afternoon of March 4th - watch for details. All are invited.
- The Library Reno Fundraising Committee has a 3 upcoming fundraising events:
  - A wine tasting on March 21 ,2020 at the Library
  - The BBIFR (Boyne Book It Fun Run) on May 23, 2020

- The Table for 300 Long Table Dinner - TBA on the Date - probably in August as last year. The committee hopes to finish the building fundraising with the wine tasting and then work on furniture and programming costs with the other events.
- Wine tasting tickets are available at the Flower Shop, Neumann Hand, Toews Printing, and Benefits Pharmacy or from Dale Owen, Val Tournier, Lorraine McIntosh, and Karen Funke. Our first art show - Chris Larsen's "From One Mind's Eye to Another" will be featured at this event. Tickets are \$60.00 or 2 for \$100.00. Hope to see you there!

### **Carman Elementary School – Reported submitted by Cecile Affleck**

- The Elementary School has had many visitors in the past few months. Mr. Graham as a visitor for Artist in the School, Mrs. McDonald (5B) to discuss artwork of the Northwest Coast People, and Jill Officer visited the grade 4 classes and introduced them to curling.
- The School held their Remembrance Day assembly on November 7<sup>th</sup> in the CES gym.
- The 4-5 Christmas concert was held on December 4<sup>th</sup> in the CES gym.
- All students took part in skating at the Carman Arena during the week of December 9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>.
- 2M visited the Boyne Lodge. During their visit, they sang Christmas carols and colored with the residents of the lodge.

### **Carman Family Resource Center – No Report**

### **Director of Economic Development – Tyler King**

- The 2020 Storefront Improvement Grant application information will be available to local business owners this week.
- Central Manitoba Tourism award nominations are now open. The Chamber will review the categories and nominate local businesses and organizations accordingly.

### **Town of Carman – Richard Dyck**

- The Strategic Plan is taking shape with council approving the vision, core values, and goals. Next steps will be to determine and approve the strategic projects to support the goals. After that's finalized, they will be executing the communication plan to stakeholders including the public.
- Finance staff are working on year end, and drafting the 2020 budget. The Town of Carman and the joint ventures with the RM of Dufferin are estimated at \$1 million, and community grants are estimated at \$100,000. Generally, the annual statement and the financial plan are approved in February.

### **RM Rep- Harvey Takvam - No Report**

### **Carman and Dufferin Recreation- Sheena Nakonechney**

- **Resistance Training with Amanda Remple**  
February 4<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
7:45-8:45  
Carman Community Hall
- **Lean to Use Your Iphone**  
February 4<sup>th</sup>  
7:00-8:30 pm  
Carman Collegiate

- **Evening Hall walking**  
Carman Collegiate, Monday to Friday, 5:00 -9:00 p.m.  
Walk the halls for exercise during the winter months when the school is open.
- **Mindful Movements**  
Community Hall  
January 8 – March 18  
6:00 – 6:45 p.m.  
10 classes for \$100.00
- **MB Moose vs. Wolves**  
Transportation to the hockey game by bus  
February 6 at 7 p.m.  
\$35.00 per person

**5. Approval of Minutes:**

Tyler King moved to accept the minutes of the December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting as circulated- Marni Harrison Seconded - Carried

**6. Financial Report:**

Jodi Winkler presented the unaudited financial report for 2019. Marni Harrison moved to accept the 2019 financials as presented. Nancy Chatwin Seconded - Carried

The balance in the ACU chequing account as of January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 is \$5889.70. The Chamber buck account balance is \$12640.00.

Marni Harrison moved to accept the January financial statement as presented. Jason Rheault Seconded – Carried

Jodi Winkler presented the 2020 budget as approved by the Executive. Jason Rheault moved to accept the 2020 budget as presented. Ashley Froese Seconded - Carried

**7. New Business:**

- Access Credit Union will be open in their new location on Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup>. Their official Grand Opening will be held in early February.
- Jason Rheault reported that Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries will no longer allow the sale of social tickets at the Gas Bar.
- GPAC will be hosting MTC, Canadian Curling Club, another great performance in their winter series. This will be held on January 15<sup>th</sup> at the Collegiate Theater. Tickets are available at the door.

**8. Committee Reports:**

**Membership Committee:**

Membership renewals will be sent out this month! The committee will meet again on Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am in the lower level of Memorial Hall. This will be held before the monthly Chamber meeting. Please join us if you can!

**Meet and Greet/ Lunch and Learn Committee:**

A Risk Management Lunch and Learn session will be presented by Rob Bryson on January 28 at 12:00 in the Memorial Hall. As well, a Not for Profit Director's Liability Information Session will also be held on January 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in the Kinsmen Room of the Carman Arena.

Castleton Construction will host a Meet and Greet on January 16<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm. Please stop by for a quick visit.

## **9. President's Report- Kelly Dyck:**

The Golf Committee will begin planning the 2020 tournaments this month. If you would like to be a part of this committee, please let Kelly or Jodi know.

Current Directors are asked to notify Jodi if they plan to let their name stand as a board member for 2020. The AGM will be held in March and new directors will also be named during this meeting.

## **10. Executive Director's Report – Jodi Winkler:**

-See January Report

## **11. Old Business- None**

## **12. Correspondence- None**

## **13. Round Table Discussion**

- Homestead Co-op Gas Bar is now closing at 10:00 pm daily.
- The Home Center will look to open on Sundays in the spring.

## **14. Next Meeting – February 11<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm – Lower Level of Memorial Hall**

## **15. Motion made by Jason Rheault to adjourn the meeting at 12:55 pm**

### Executive Director Report – January 2020

Happy New Year! I hope that you all had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday season, and that you were able to get outdoors and take advantage of the great weather we had!  
And now we are COLD!

December was a great month!

The annual Breakfast with Santa was held on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Carman Community Hall. Once again, this event was a huge success and I would like to thank all of you that were able to attend. Thank you to Homestead Co-op for hosting the breakfast and activities for the kids, to Mackenzie Gaultier Photography for taking the pictures with Santa, and to the Boyne Regional Library, RCMP, and Safe Communities for providing information booths at the event. A huge thank you to the big guy himself, Ron Bartley, who was Santa for the morning. This is a wonderful community event and I hope that this tradition continues for many years to come.

The extended holiday shopping hours on Thursday evenings in November and December were a great success for many of the businesses involved. Thank you to all of the businesses that participated in this and I hope that we have started something that we can build on. Congratulations to the winners of the \$50 Chamber Buck Gift Certificates that were awarded after each Thursday Shopping Evening in December.

On that note, the Chamber Buck program was very popular this holiday season. There were approximately \$13000 in Chamber Bucks purchased through the Chamber in November and December. It is wonderful to see these dollars stay within our community and support our local businesses. Thank you to those that purchased the Chamber Bucks and I would encourage community members to purchase these throughout the year, not just for Christmas.

I hope that you are able to join us at Castleton Construction on Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup> for "Business After 5". This event will take place from 5-7 pm. Please stop in for a quick visit and refreshment. Attendance is not required for the entire 2 hours. If you have 10 mins, come by, say hi, and check out their beautiful new showroom.

January's Lunch and Learn will be held on Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon in the lower level of Memorial Hall. Rob Bryson will be presenting on Risk Management for your business. This will be a very informative presentation and I hope that you and others from your business are able to attend.

That same evening, January 28<sup>th</sup>, Rob will also be presenting on Not for Profit Board Liability. This will be held in the Kinsmen Room of the Carman Arena at 7:30 pm. I would encourage anyone that is a director or member of a Not for Profit Board to attend this session.

As I look ahead at the plans for the Chamber in 2020, I can not help but get excited and I hope that you will too. Thank you for all you do to make my job fun and exciting and I look forward to an amazing year. Please let me know if there is anything that I can do to assist you and your business.

Sincerely,  
Jodi Winkler  
Executive Director  
Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce