



Central Area Council Board Meeting

December 8, 2009

Chamber Office – Progress Center

7:30 a.m.

Transaction Notes

In Attendance: Chair Michael Appleman, Sue Robinson, Robert Munoz, Glen Hahn, Gordon Appleman, Billy Cordell, Sylvia Hartless, Sean Studzinski, Stephen Provance

Absent: Mark Nurdin, Gary Michel

Staff: Pennie Blossom

Chair Michael Appleman called the meeting to order.

- **Education:**
 - Pennie Blossom did a short recap on the last meeting at Nash. Blossom reported that some of the board donated to the Turkey Basket Project at Nash; we are awaiting a report on how many families were served.
- **Retention:** The new members were divided and board members will call or email new businesses. Membership in the Central Area Council had a small drop in this reporting period, e.g., from 405 to 401. The Gold Membership increased by one – from 152 to 153.
- **Programming: Upcoming Programs**
 - December 10 - Holiday Happy Hour – Reata at the Backstage Club
 - January 13, 2010 – Tarrant County Commercial Real Estate Forecast – Fort Worth Convention Center
 - February 18, 2010 – Membership Luncheon – Capt. Smyers at Naval Air Station / JRB
 - April 2010 – Area Council Breakfast Retreat – Location and Date TBD
- **Monitoring Items:**
 - Fort Worth Bike Patrol – Very successful year. Raised about \$60,000 from the annual Clay Shoot and \$15,000 from the criterion bike race. Glen Hahn announced that he has retired from the board after 13 years but he continues to be a big supporter of the Bike Patrol. John Joyce is now president of the group. These funds raised for the bike patrol allows them to train and purchase new bikes that otherwise would not be possible.
 - Billy Cordell reported that they are doing extensive security training for the NBA All Star Game and the Super Bowl XLV in 2011. They are also considering having two bike officers work in the Montgomery Plaza area.
- **Downtown Living** – The Dashboard Report was included in the board packet. This is an economic indicator report for the downtown area. For information on this and other economic reports, visit the Downtown Fort Worth Inc. website at www.dfw.org.
- **Other Business** – Appleman asked for volunteers to form a nominating committee. The board would like to add four directors to begin serving in April 2010, the beginning of the fiscal year for the Chamber. He asked for recommendations. The board will vote on directors in February.

With there being no other business Appleman adjourned the meeting.

Next Board Meeting: February 9, 2010
Progress Center at the Chamber
7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.