

MBCA Executive Meeting Minutes
October 6 2015
Location: HomeMakers Club

Members present: Joe Rush, Deb Massie, Carol Meyer, Steve Thrift, William Chiappini, Stasia Rudolph

Meeting is called to order at 3:37PM

Joe makes motion to accept minutes from last executive meeting on Sept 1, Stasia seconds, motion passes.

Joe leads a discussion regarding timing of the **Holiday Mixer**. Resolved that **the mixer** will be held on the **second Friday of December (11th) from 5:30-7:30** at the Dream Center. Attendees can enjoy food and drink while prepping for the Christmas Parade the next morning. We will ask local businesses for a "Mixer package" so we can get best value for drinks, snacks as we support Melrose enterprises. Plan for 50 people attending. Mixer should have a point where we recognize and show appreciation for individuals that volunteer for Melrose.

Steve Thrift updates group on **Christmas Parade Prep**. Cornelius Clayton will be our Grand Marshal. Parade theme has morphed from Comic Book Christmas **to Cartoon Christmas**. Steve will coordinate meetings with fire dept/sheriff's department. He will also follow-up on the Christmas Tree set-up. Discussion moves to bands and music for the parade. Deb mentions that there is a great "home-grown" band out of Hawthorne. Joe takes the lead on designing the Parade Flyer template. Steve reminds group that he has been doing Parade Planning for 15 plus years so it should go smoothly. Deb commits to speaking with Dave Wilcox regarding filming of parade and creating a CD. Steve wants this as a memento for the contest winners.

Other Parade items for follow-up:

- car for Grand Marshall (Joe volunteers his model A)
- Rebeca will do lettering for G.M. car
- Dave Carpenter as Santa, Deb will ask him
- Signs in town (Williamson's, Fire Dept) need to message that Parade is coming/traffic re-directed.

William Chiappiani will follow up on port-o-potty replacement/rotation

Agenda for General Meeting will include: Christine Louton, Catherine Cross, Update on Rural Cluster process, Veterans Event at Gallery 26.

Thanks to Walter Cole for mowing park again.

No further business, Stasia makes a motion to adjourn, Carol seconds.
Meeting adjourned at 4:42PM