

Opening: @10:30am

Attendance: Kristin Michel Rodriguez, Melanie Barber, Ellen Davis, Doris Barber, Barbara Freedenburg, Laura Rhode, Cathy Bamji, Jamie Kent Hamelburg, Erika Linthicum, Gurvinder Ravery, Miriam Paska, Sharon Bourke, Ayda Sanver [on phone], Claire McDonald, Melanie Barber

President's Report:

- First of the new WBO year.
- As of this meeting, new board members officially in their positions.

Secretary's Report: June minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report:

- WBO is solvent and in good standing.
- Line items discussed:
 - Cancel Verizon voice mail and use Google Voice, which is free.

Committee Reports:

Membership

- Member database transition is almost complete.
- Membership table at the Power Conference generated interest and potential new members.
- Remind members of the benefits of WBO membership; will highlight on website.

Communications

- Membership software has changed from Wild Apricot to Mailchimp and MembershipWorks.
- Seeking new committee members.

Programs

- Seeking new committee members.
- Upcoming speakers/topics:
 - October - Motivational speaker
 - November - Growing your business
 - December - Non-profit lunch
 - January - Member appreciation

Publicity

- WBO will not sponsor tables at Maryland WBC luncheon this year due to conflict with WBO's October luncheon.
- WBO will seek to strengthen its relationship with Montgomery College in the coming year in conjunction with the scholarships WBO sponsored.
- WBO would like greater visibility at Chamber of Commerce events in the area.
- Revisit WBO financial role in support of The Power Conference.

New Business

Micro-volunteers - Offer volunteer opportunities within WBO that do not require long-term commitments or committee membership.

Old Business

Power Conference - Conduct debrief/lessons learned from WBO involvement in The Power Conference.

Adjourned @ 11:35am