

UCBMA Meeting Minutes 10/10/2023



Welcome

- Janie Rattman and Jill Cates lead our meeting tonight. Start time was approximately 5:10pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Members were encouraged to drop accompanying business card into “Guest Box” for chance to win Amazon Gift Card, Kroger Shopping Cards and Gas Cards (winners announced during November meeting)
- Motion to approve our September meeting minutes? 1st Art Mathews, 2nd- Linda Lack
- Treasurer Report was delivered by Linda Lack. Money Market: \$49,936.09, Checking \$28,137.82 and Community Foundation: \$5,706.42. Total: \$83,780.33
- Tonight’s food was graciously donated by Reach Magazine who provided sandwiches from Jersey Mikes and an assortment of cobblers from the Peach Cobbler Factory. Aly Tomlinson and Derek Morris from Reach provided a brief overview of the services they offer.
- All UCBMA members and guests provided a quick introduction of who they were and the organization they represented.
- Janie and Jill provided the UCBMA overview and mission, including how we operate, when/where we meet, membership dues and how the grants and sponsorship program works. New changes to UCBMA meeting structure will now include a more formal networking and lead referral program to encourage and allow business-to-business networking to happen more easily. A Member Table with referral cards was setup for existing members and guests and will be available at all monthly meetings going forward.
- Starting in the November meeting, a UCBMA member presentation will be included as part of the meeting. Those interested in giving a 5 minutes presentation should send request to info@ucbma.com.
- UCBMA will promote member events via website, calendar, email blasts and social media. Members were encouraged to submit events via the website form ucbma.com > members > member event form.

Sponsorships & Grants

- There is a combined \$10,000 budget for each year with no more than \$1,000 in monthly grants.
- October grant request was submitted by Hopes Closet. Bridgett Risk from Hopes Closet provided an overview of their organization to the group.
- October sponsorship request was submitted by Big Brothers / Big Sisters. Julie Dichtl provided an overview of Big Brothers / Big Sisters to the group.

Note: All grant & sponsorship requests need to be made by the 5th of the month.

Networking, Voting & Raffles

- Members and guests moved to the casual area of the venue and enjoyed drinks, food and networking.
- Voting slips were distributed to members for grants/sponsorships. A \$1,000 grant was awarded to Hopes Closet and a \$500 sponsorship award was granted to Big Brothers / Big Sisters.

- Raffle prizes donated included:
 - Larry Shideler H7 – UDF Gift Card \$10 value
 - Denise Reier, The Print Bug – UCBMA Gift Bag \$125 value
 - Jill Cates – Party Cup Set - \$20 value
 - Janie Rattman, Safe Haven Farms – Stone Creek Dining. \$50 value
 - Steve Whyne, Miami University - \$20 travel tumbler with candy
 - Linda Zack – Chalk Hill Chardoney
 - Aly Tomlinson, Reach Magazine – 2 sets of gift cards / Attraction Tickets
 - Jeanne Brauns – Graeter’s Gift Basket
 - Becky Wilber, CTI/Taco Bell – 2, \$10 taco bell gift cards
 - Chuck Thompson 2, \$10 gift cards to McDonalds
 - UCBMA donated a large pumpkin and mum plants

2023 Remaining Meetings: Hosts, Food, and Member Speakers

Month	Meeting Hosts	Food Donated By	Member Presentations
11/15/2023	Layne Butler & Kevin Moorman	Companions on a Journey	TBD
12/7/2023	Holiday Party: Becky Wilber & Kevin Moore	TBD	TBD

Next Executive Team Meetings: 11/7 and 12/15 at 4:30pm at Back Porch.