

UCBMA Meeting Minutes 8/19/2025



Welcome

- Welcome: Janie Rattman VP of UCBMA began the meeting at 5:17 along with Jill Cates
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Tonight's food provided by UCBMA (catered by McAllister's' Deli)

About UCBMA

- What we do / how we operate / becoming a member

Members & Guests

- Welcome Guests! quick introduction of guests / new members:
 - Cassandra Scott with Miami University Regionals
 - LaManda Dye with LCD/Reach Me
 - Kathleen Wagoner with Coldwell Banker Realty
 - Nancy Ward a Financial Coach with Weekly Debt Plan
- Introduction of current members. Emiley Morgan of Lakota Robotics shared information about their upcoming open house at their new STEM center on September 13th 9:30-Noon
- Member Speaker: Safe Have Farms, Janie Rattman – Food Truck Rally 2024 Beneficiary Update
 - Janie Rattman is the Director of Safe Haven Farms (a non-profit organization) and provided a slide show to give an overview of the services they provide for the individuals they serve. It is a community of choice for adults with autism and other developmental disabilities offering Residential, Day and Therapeutic equestrian programs in a farm setting.
 - The use of the beneficiary funds from the FTR 2024:
 - Many improvements have been made to the farm to include new seating, lockers, fencing, and barn doors.
- Member Survey from July Meeting – Denise Reier, President of UCBMA will share the results in September's meeting.
- October: Is our New Member Meeting! Invite your networking friends to see what UCBMA is all about!
 - FREE to non-members
 - The member who brings the most guests will receive a gift card for Jag's Restaurant

Grants and Sponsorships

- \$10k budgeted for each. Sponsorship remaining: \$5,500.00 Grant remaining: \$3,500
- August Grant Request: Safe Haven Farms, Janie Rattman Director gave the grant request details: Looking to provide needed helmets, saddles and food and medical care for the equestrian riding program.
- July Sponsorship Request: NONE
- Combined Sponsor/Grant Application Available online
 - Reminder: Two - \$1,000 requests will be granted per month going forward

Voting Results:

8/19/2025: UCBMA Member Ballot

- **My vote on the Grant Request from: Safe Haven Farms**

_____ \$0 _____ \$500 _____ \$750 **X** \$1000

Food Truck

- 2026 Planning will start in October
- FTR Beneficiary Application open in October

Reminders

- Bring materials for member table, use referral forms to help drive business!
- Interested in member speaker slot or sponsoring food? Send email to info@ucbma.com

Raffles

- Larry Shideler of H7 donated a \$20.00 gift card to Domino's Pizza
- Steve Whayne of Miami Regionals donated a Miami Travel Tumbler with candy
- Rachel Dickhaus of Apex Clinic donated two B-12 and Glutathione Gift Certificates
- UCBMA donated two Seltzer Gift Baskets
- Alyssa Louagie of Companions on a Journey donated a \$25 gift card for the Tavern Restaurant Group

Total in attendance tonight-**24**

Next meeting is Thursday, September 18th