

Winnsboro Area Chamber of Commerce

Winnsboro, Texas 75494

Minutes of Annual Meeting

February 15, 2022

Location: Winnsboro Civic Center

Attendees: Directors: VP Steven Andrews, Treasurer Paula Rogers, Secretary Lee Montgomery, PP Amy Gearner, Francell Burnett, Mack Jordan, Diane Robinson, David Peacock, Judy Peacock, Johnny Wetzel Jr, and Sharon Wetzel. Absent: Pres Cody Rosier (out of town). Various and numerous Chamber members and their guests.

Preliminaries: Access to Civic Center gained at 8am. One class of WISD Ag students helped set tables and chairs at 8am. Table cloths and decorations set. Desserts delivered throughout the day. Auction items delivered at 230pm. Caterers from Red Dome restaurant arrived 430-500pm. Directors arrived at 5pm. Doors opened at 530pm to welcome guests. Registration table tool volunteers took tickets and payments at the door. Guests were invited to look over the auction items.

Director and Master of Ceremonies Johnny Wetzel called the meeting to order and welcomed all guests at 6:01 pm. Pledges to the US and Texas flags were led by David "Tex" Willis. Prayer led by Pastor Gregory Duffey. Directors and Chamber Secretary Christina Gaddis were introduced and two buffet lines opened.

Beginning at 645pm, Director Paula Rogers read the biographies for the three Woman of the Year nominees: Andrea Newsom, Mary White and Amy Gearner. All nominees were asked to stand for recognition. MC Wetzel introduced the Autumn Trails Court and princess. Director Mack Jordan read the biographies for the three Man of the Year nominees: Pastor Gregory Duffey, "Doc" Davis, and Johnny Wetzel Jr.

Auctioneer Shannon Davis auction the first series of items.

Past President Amy Gearner read the biographies for the three Business of the Year nominees: Andrews Real Estate Team & Texas Premier Realty, Hooves & Halos, and Copper Leaf Spa.

The second series of items was auctioned off.

Secretary Lee Montgomery read the biographies for the three Agricultural Businesses of the Year nominees: Jersey Girls Dairy, 5B Farms, and Jongsma Custom Harvesting.

The last series of items was auctioned.

Director Judy Peacock read the biographies for the three Volunteer of the Year nominees: Paula Rogers, David "Tex" Willis and Mack Jordan.

MC Wetzel announced coming activities and initiatives of the Chamber to include the February 22 "Meet and Greet" free breakfast for members. Members were encouraged to bring business cards and company literature and see the new Chamber office from 830am-1000am. MC Wetzel then led the presentation of awards.

Awardees for 2021 honors included:

1. Teacher of the Year--Hillary Davis at WHS
2. Woman of the Year—Andrea Newsom, Mayor of Winnsboro
3. Man of the Year—Pastor Gregory Duffey
4. Business of the Year—Hooves & Halos
5. Agricultural Business of the Year—Jersey Girls Dairy
6. Volunteer of the Year—Mack Jordan

Photos of awardees and directors were taken by photographer Jordan Palmer.

Having no other new business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 930pm.

Chamber Treasurer and Secretary collected payments for the auction items as guests left the building.

Clean-up and storage of tables and chairs were accomplished.

Respectfully submitted:

LEE MONTGOMERY, SECRETARY

Post meeting notes:

Head count: 226

Tickets Sold: 204 at \$30 each for \$6,120. Payment to caterer was \$3,060.

Tickets donated: 22

Red Dome provided 140 each of the Chicken Fried Steak and Chick Fried Chicken entrees. Chamber directors donated desserts; many cakes and pies were included in the auction.

Auction included approximately 60 items for which the Chamber received \$5, 767.

Total accounting will include cost of the Civic Center and other costs. Final profit to be determined.