

**Leadership Committee
Minutes**

March 29, 2010

Meeting began at 7:40 AM at the Cabell County Courthouse

Members Present: Chris Tatum, Elizabeth Ayers, Michael Misiti, Charles Shumaker, Matt Campbell, Heather Marrs, Anne Yon (non-voting), Jason Shepherd, and Jennifer Wheeler

Members Not Present: Chris Slaughter (ex-officio), Jennifer Brooks (non-voting), Matt White (non-voting), William Crabtree (non-voting), Jill Morris (non-voting), Teddy Kluemper

1. Old Business

- a. Minutes – Michael Misiti distributed the minutes. Matt Campbell moved to approve the 3/3 minutes. Mr. Misiti seconded. The group unanimously approved the minutes.
- b. D.C. Trip – Chris Tatum and Elizabeth Ayers reported that the D.C. trip went well and our group’s meetings with Congressman Rahall and Senator Rockefeller went well. Mr. Tatum reported that our delegation is well aware of our efforts and supportive of our group.
- c. Rules of Order – Michael Misiti reported that he sent the Rules of Order and Constitution to Chris Slaughter the first week of February and has not heard back. Chris Tatum noted that he would follow up again with Mr. Slaughter and if we do not hear back by the end of next week, he will make a motion to approve and ratify the documents as our operating orders.
- d. Constitution – Michael Misiti passed on this item as it was covered in the item 1.B.
- e. Collegiate Challenge – Chris Tatum reported that the dinners were very successful and he hopes to continue this in the future. Michael Misiti reported that there was some confusion with the funds for the event, but everything is square now.
- f. Website Update – Elizabeth Ayers reported that the student assistants at Marshall have conducted uncontracted, preliminary work at no cost for our group to decide if we want to work with them. Chris Tatum then mentioned that he was seeking other groups to work with us as well. Michael Misiti noted that it might be prudent to have all groups submit to us a working link by next Friday for the Leadership Committee to decide. Mr. Tatum agreed and he and Ms. Ayers will inform the groups of this process.

2. Executive Reports

- a. Chair, Chris Tatum, Mr. Tatum mentioned that he is in the initial stages of putting together a project called “Change for Change” which would be an additional \$1 charge for each lunch at the monthly YPC meetings (if lunch is served) that would go towards a charitable donation at the end of the year.
- b. Vice Chair, Elizabeth Ayers, Ms. Ayers updated the group on the website, pointing out that it will be very interactive and the work is moving along.
- c. Secretary/Treasurer, Michael Misiti, Mr. Misiti reported that we have ~\$16K in available funds.

Mr. Misiti will send an email out this week to all YPC members with dues outstanding by over 60 days. Mr. Misiti reported that the majority of the responses from his prior communications for not paying were either because the individuals did not want to be in the YPC or there was a clerical issue. Mr. Misiti forwarded all of the responses to the appropriate people so that the group could take action.

Mr. Misiti also expressed concern over the organization’s decentralized structure not allowing for proper accounting procedures. Mr. Misiti emphasized the need for proper approval and advance communication to anyone handling funds, regardless of how low of a dollar amount it may be.

3. New Business

- a. April Meeting – Natalie Tennant – Chris Tatum reported that the event with Natalie Tennant will go as planned and he is going to communicate speaking points and further communication about the event to boost attendance.
- b. Golf League – Michael Misiti told the group that YPC member Ben Sandy will sending an email to the Executive Committee for their approval about a golf league. Mr. Misiti has ran this idea through the recreation and networking committee and will proceed once approved.
- c. Voting Issues – Michael Misiti is still waiting to hear back from Chris Slaughter.
- d. Possible Meeting with Governor Manchin –Chris Tatum has scheduled a meeting in mid-April with Governor Manchin for the YPC. Michael Misiti and Elizabeth Ayers both suggested that we wait until a later date for this so that we can formulate a plan and ask him for action on specific issues, rather than generalities. Mr. Tatum agreed and said he would reschedule.

4. Subcommittee and Liaison Reports

- a. Networking and Recreation – Jennifer Wheeler – Cardio tennis is still going well. The group then openly discussed the options for a softball team this year. After much discussion Ms. Wheeler and Teddy Kluemper indicated that the softball team will be open to YPC members but not paid for by the YPC, as participation could be too low.

Ms. Wheeler also indicated that her committee unanimously preferred a New Years event versus a Halloween event. Michael Misiti noted that he along with Charles Shumaker would like to see some substantial philanthropic contribution come via this project if done this year. Elizabeth Ayers will contact Christie White regarding the potential Weed and Seed Commitment.

Ms. Wheeler also has tentatively scheduled a business after-hours at Abe Saad's new law office the evening of the May meeting.

- b. Membership – Charles Shumaker – The Subcommittee met last week and discussed several issues. Mr. Shumaker would like to see a calendar for our organization so that new and or prospective members can see what lies ahead. Mr. Shumaker noted that hopefully the website can satisfy this objective.

Mr. Shumaker is also tentatively scheduled a new member luncheon on 4/30 and Sarah Benda will be working on setting it up. Will Crabtree is working on brochures for new members.

- c. Communication and Education – Heather Marrs. Per Ms. Marrs, the Subcommittee will meet again this week. Ms. Marrs asked Kim Lewis, Executive Director for KYOWVA Goodwill to speak to the YPC on 4/14 as part of an educational series.

Ms. Marrs also noted that she would like to send out the E-Update biweekly and noted due to incorrect information being transmitted, the E-Update and Newsletter shall be approved by the Executive Committee.

- d. Community Development – Matt Campbell – Urban Race meeting was cancelled due to poor attendance. This is looking more and more like a 2011 project. The Subcommittee is still struggling with how to track volunteer hours. Mr. Campbell hopes that the website will help this.

- e. Marshall University – Michael Misiti commented in Teddy Kluemper and Matt White's absence that be aware of alumni weekend that is fast approaching. Mr. Kluemper and Mr. White will comment more about this in the next few weeks.

- f. Generation West Virginia – Jason Shepherd informed the group of the Generation West Virginia conference in Charleston in early May. Mr. Shepherd and Elizabeth Ayers will work to communicate to the group the logistics of the conference.

5. Future meetings

Chris Tatum noted that he will communicate to the group via email the time and place of the next meeting.

6. Michael Misiti motioned to adjourn. Elizabeth Ayers seconded. The group unanimously approved the motion.

The group adjourned at 9:00 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Misiti