

## Minutes

### Friends of the Downtown Meeting

February 5, 2009

Meeting called to order by President at 5:03 pm.

**Minutes:** Minutes from January meeting accepted as presented.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer's Report distributed and approved.

#### Committee Reports:

**Membership:** Discussion was held on creating a Membership Drive and have all dues payable at the same time each year. Currently dues are - Single \$10, Family \$25, Lifetime \$100. Jeff and Liz will meet to decide on a new strategy for our membership/dues.

#### New Business

**Flower Baskets:** Jeff will contact French Town Greenhouse about filling our baskets again this year. We will purchase materials for the large planters from local greenhouses later in the season.

**Small Business Workshops:** The UW Extension will be offering small business courses at the campus in Medford. Cost is \$250 and the Taylor County Extension would pay ½ if the FOTD would pay the other. Sue motioned to spend the \$125, Cathy seconded. Motion passed. Dates for the workshops will be posted online. (If you are unable to attend a link will be posted also for you to watch via your computer after the date).

**June Event:** Arlen asked for ideas for a FOTD Summer Event in June that would go together with the County Tourism Tour. Ideas will be presented at next meeting.

**Heritage Garden:** KC presented an idea for an arbor at the bottom of the Heritage Garden. He will get a drawing so it can be presented to City Hall. Cost were discussed, but no motion for expenditures will be made until we hear back from the City.

#### Old Business

**Destination Medford:** Sue said trees are still up and will be lit for the Destination Medford Feb 27-28. Marilyn and Laurie gave a report on this exciting Chamber event. Wine tasting while visiting local artists, Sat night Taste of Medford and a speaker Alice Conner lobbyist for the logging industry. Sun Church or snowshoeing will be available and a brunch. Lots of other activities on Sat i.e. yoga, knitting, more wine and crafts.

**Food Drive:** 12 businesses are participating in the Food Drive. Sue will drop off posters. Cathy will do the radio ad.

**Events Calendar:** The events are online at [www.friendsofthedowntown.com](http://www.friendsofthedowntown.com) – be sure to check it out.

Liz made a motion to adjourn at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Henrichs