

## KASC BOARD OF DIRECTORS – November 12, 2009

@ Gilbert Advanced Asset Management, Inc.

Attendees: Randy Cassell, Shannon Salts, Jack Alvis, Tom Patton, Joel Jones, Harold Gillenwater, Jean Rhea, Dana Taylor, Gene Faxon

Welcome by President Jean Rhea, opening prayer by Tom Patton. It was noted that several new businesses have expressed an interest in joining the Kingsport Area Safety Council and are expected to participate in future meetings.

### **Old Business (Include VP Reports)**

- Our Community Safety Awareness Meeting for November will be held at the Eastman Lodge on Thursday, November 19. Our speaker will be Brian Ramsey of Eastman Fire Department, and the topic is Hazardous Materials. Eastman is sponsoring the meal. Please remember to bring a monetary donation that will be given to Second Harvest Food Bank.
- Jean reported that the Halloween Treat Bag project was a great success. We have several new attendees at the stuffing at the Eastman Employee Center on Thursday, October 22 (special thanks to Dan Matherly and the Brock team for their extra efforts) The handout at the Kingsport Towne Center on Saturday, October 24 went smoothly with several KASC members and the Kingsport Fire Fighters distributing the bags. There was discussion on how to improve this event for next year.
- Jack Alvis reported that he submitted several photos of the Kingsport community as well as old newspaper articles to Melissa Hamilton for inclusion in our Safe Community Award package. There was no report on the progress of our application.
- The Fund Raising/Application Committee has a meeting scheduled this afternoon to follow up on ideas for improving our application process and potential fundraising ideas. They have a mailing list for all businesses in the area and will discuss the path forward. It was mentioned that we need to furnish more information to prospective members, such as in a brochure, to promote our council. They are also reviewing sponsorships in lieu of memberships.
- Dana Taylor reported that the Seminar Committee conducted their first planning session on November 5 at the Eastman Employee Center. They reviewed comments from last year's critique sheets and discussed establishing committees for speakers, food, registration, Junior Godsey Grant, vendors. This will be our 25 year celebration, and our tentative keynote speaker is from Bristol Motor Speedway. Jean suggested increasing publicity with newspaper ads and/or billboards. Tom suggested training on Home Security Systems, and Joel suggested a class on Seasonal Safety. This will be discussed at future meetings.

### **New Business**

- Jean asked for volunteers in obtaining speakers for our 2010 Community Safety Awareness meetings. Several board members signed up to provide speakers.
- We discussed several benevolence projects. Harold motioned and Gene seconded to provide donations of \$200.00 to the Marines Toys for Tots drive, \$100.00 to a Prison Ministry (giving gifts to family members), \$350.00 to Boys and Girls Club of Greater Kingsport, and \$250.00 for Serve Our Soldiers project through a local church. Jack Alvis mentioned that his church is opening a medical clinic in downtown Kingsport next year as part of their outreach.
- There will be no Board or Community Safety Awareness meetings in December.