



## Columbia Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes

### Special Board Meeting

Prepared by: Myia Davila

**Meeting Date:** March 22, 2023

**Location:** Towle & Leavitt, Columbia State Historic Park

**Called to Order:** 5:36 pm by Rosanna Sharps

**Present:** Rosanna Sharps – Chairman President, Jo Rodefer – Treasurer, Myia Davila – Secretary

**Board of Directors:** Nate Lint, Michael Sharps, Janine Osborne

**Absent Members:** John Favela – Vice Chairman, Howard White

**Quorum:** Met, 6 members present.

**Purpose:** The Special Meeting was called based on the request for further discussion and consideration of a motion that was passed during the last Chamber meeting. A written motion was received via email, prompting the need for a special meeting.

**Motion:** to rescind the motion to not pay the volunteers for participation which was passed during the last Chamber meeting on March 15 (2023): Janine Osborne; seconded by Michael Sharps.

**Discussion:** The Board discussed the difference between compensation and gratuity. Compensation is paid to people in exchange for work; whereas a gratuity is a way of showing appreciation for volunteering. The wording in the prior motion “to not pay volunteers” may have been confusing to the voting members.

The precedence of thanking volunteers has already been established in multiple Chamber events and offering a gratuity, within reason, should be allowed.

**Vote:** Board all in favor; motion carried.

**Motion:** to refer a standard lunch policy to a committee to develop event guidelines: Jo Rodefer, seconded by Nate Line. Board all in favor; motion carried.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Adjourned by Rosanna Sharps, 6:13 pm

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, April 19, 2023, 5:30pm, Eagle Cotage