



Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce

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Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Annual Session Meeting Minutes

Date: June 9, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Location: Cross Plains Chamber Office

Meeting was called to order by Tiffany Holland at 6:09PM

Members Present: Jake Estes, Kristin Boggs, Raven Smith, Tiffany Holland, Shelia Blackburn, Dana Sons, Casie Morgan

Others Present: Ruby Wilke

Members Phoned In: Susan Schaefer

Members Not Present: Bryan Bennett

Minutes from the Previous Meeting: A Motion to approve previous minutes was given by Sheila Blackburn. Raven Smith seconded. The Board voted. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Was presented by Ruby Wilke. There is \$1798.44 in the checking account at this time. No other financial report was presented.

Old Business: No old business was discussed.

New Business:

- a. Kristin Boggs moved to open nominations for new Board members. Raven Smith seconded. Nominations opened. Sheila Blackburn motioned to nominate George Mathews as a new Chamber Board Member with a term of three (3) years. Dana Sons seconded the motion. The Board voted. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- b. Kristin Boggs motioned to nominate Rebecca Smoot as a new Chamber Board Member with a term of three (3) years. Raven Smith seconded the motion. The Board voted. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried. Dana Sons motions to close nominations for new Board members. Sheila Blackburn seconded. Nominations are closed.
- c. The Board discussed a retirement party for Bryan Bennett.
- d. Kristin Boggs motions to re-elect Sheila Blackburn to the Chamber Board. Dana Sons seconds. The Board voted. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carries. Sheila Blackburn will serve another three (3) year term.
- e. Sheila Blackburn moved to open nominations for Officer Elections for the 2025/2026 Fiscal Year. Dana Sons seconds. Nominations opened.
 1. Sheila Blackburn nominates Tiffany Holland to be the President of the Board for the 2025/2026 Fiscal Year. Dana Sons seconds. The Board voted. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carries. Tiffany Holland will be the President of the Board of

Directors for Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, Inc. for a term of one (1) year beginning July 1, 2025.

2. Sheila Blackburn nominates Raven Smith to be the Vice-President of the Board for the 2025/2026 Fiscal Year. Casie Morgan seconds. The Board voted. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carries. Raven Smith will be the Vice-President of the Board of Directors for Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, Inc. for a term of one (1) year beginning July 1, 2025.
3. Kristin Boggs nominates Casie Morgan to be the Secretary of the Board for the 2025/2026 Fiscal Year. Sheila Blackburn seconds. The Board voted. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carries. Casie Morgan will be the Secretary of the Board of Directors for Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, Inc. for a term of one year (1) beginning July 1, 2025.
4. Casie Morgan nominates Kristin Boggs to be the Treasurer of the Board for the 2025/2026 Fiscal Year. Sheila Blackburn seconds. The Board voted. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carries. Kristin Boggs will be the Treasurer of the Board of Directors for Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce, Inc. for a term of one (1) year beginning July 1, 2025.

Raven Smith motioned to close nominations for Officer Elections. Casie Morgan seconded. Nominations closed.

- f. The Board discussed the TMCN Community Assessment. Discussed putting logos all over town and new signage coming into town both ways stating where City Hall, the city park, and the Chamber is. Ruby is going to schedule a meeting with City Council and EDC to discuss what we all need to do to get a better rating.
- g. The Board discussed Summer Bash. Need more Handwashing stations next year. For Entertainment: Stage worked well. Having KOXE was great. The stairs were great. Needs a better sound system next year. Entertainers and equipment got hot quickly. Maybe have a swamp cooler next year on stage. For Vendors: Kid vendors need to stay around the kid zone next year. Camel Guyz was great! We need to clean up weeds/treat ants ahead of time and warn vendors of possible pests. See if there are plugs by the bank (ask Cindy Payne) and have electricity elsewhere next year. We need to remove the street by city hall next year because of little traffic and extend other streets. Give extra room to the vendors. Ask specific questions next year- Such as: Is it a trailer, tent, etc., specifics of what they sell, charge for electricity, etc. Try to skip the alley next year. The ATV's worked well. We need 3 check-in people on the streets next year. Have a bigger check-in sign. Don't assign vendor spots ahead of time. Let them park in the order that they show up. For Car Show: Goody bags were great. Start in January to get donations for the car show next year. For Poker Run: Reach out to more motorcycles. Do a walking poker run as well next year. Need to have Games at each stop.
- h. The Board discussed finding a speaker for the Banquet. Tiffany will ask Hannah Adams with Community Action to speak at the Banquet. If she can't, then we will ask Tammy McCollum from the Cisco Chamber of Commerce or Carmelita Otis who is a Fundraiser for businesses.
- i. The Board discussed helping with 4th of July activities this year. Particularly the Cornhole Competition. Also discussed having a kids bingo. The majority of the Board voted against participating this year.

- j. The Board reviewed the final draft of the By-laws that included all of the changes discussed in previous months. Sheila Blackburn motioned to adopt this draft of the by-laws as written. Dana Sons seconded. The Board voted. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- k. The Bingo Committee discussed updates. May went really well. Had a big turnout. We are going to up the Jackpot to \$200 at the June Bingo. We will also start selling daubers at the concession stand this time instead of up-front.

Adjournment: With nothing further to discuss, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Casie Morgan. Sheila Blackburn seconded. Tiffany Holland thereupon called the meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.

Date of Next Meeting July 14th, 2025

Minutes submitted by: _____
Casie Morgan, Secretary

Minutes approved by: _____
Tiffany Holland, President