



## **October 17, 2006 Meeting Minutes**

### ***Introduction & Opening:***

The October meeting was held at and hosted by T-Bar M. Frank Salinas opened the meeting by welcoming members and guests.

Member companies present were: Alternative Benefit Solutions, Ashley Furniture, Cemex, Coleman, CISD, CTTC, Detex, FedEx, Great American Products, Hawkins Personnel, McKenna Health Systems, NB Chamber of Commerce, NB Herald-Zeitung, Objective Maintenance, Owens-Corning, Priority Personnel, Resource Mfg, Star Manufacturing, T-Bar M and TXI.

Guests present were Heather Mulkey (scholarship recipient) and her parents, councilwomen Gale Pospisil, Shawn Soucie (MS Consulting), Steve Scogna (Fedex Freight), and Erin Kitt (Edisto)

Coleman introduced John Anderson, the new HR manager. Rusty introduced Joe Crowley, a new instructor at CTTC. Welcome to the community!

Roy Linnartz announced that the CISD has bought flags to fly for the Air Quality Health Alerts!

Happy Birthday to Neal Linnartz!

### ***Committee Reports:***

- Scholarship:
  - o Al Ranzau presented a scholarship certificate to Heather Mulkey.
  - o The committee is reviewing more applicants.
  
- Membership:
  - o Nothing new to report.
  
- Fundraising:
  - o Planning on a March golf tournament.

### ***Membership:***

NBMA has received three applications for membership:

MS Consulting – *Associate*, Safety Consulting  
Shank Services – *Associate*, fuel distributor and lubes  
Knight Office Solutions - *Associate*, digital copiers

MS Consulting was present at the meeting. Shawn Soucie discussed his company's services. Frank Salinas called for discussion. A motion was presented and seconded. Through voice vote, MS Consulting was accepted as a new member.

Shank Services and Knight Office Solutions will be discussed at the next meeting.

***New Business:***

The Circle Arts Theatre in New Braunfels has requested donations to assist with building renovation. The theater works with the schools to provide theater training for interested students. A donation from NBMA fits with our charter of promoting education and does not violate any IRS rules. The NBMA board suggested the "Platinum Booster" level of \$500 which will display the organization's name in the lobby, listing in all programs for the season and 8 complimentary passes. The passes can be used as door prizes for the meetings or donated to a worthy cause. Detex motioned to donate to the theater. CISD seconded the motion. The motion passed by voice vote.

***Featured Program:***

Frank Salinas introduced Gale Pospisil, New Braunfels City Councilwoman. Gale was very interesting and touched on topics regarding public safety, infrastructure, growth and quality of life. The NB City Council is very proactive in making improvements in all these areas. These programs are contained in the budget and are in progress.

***Chamber Report:***

Rusty Brockman provided a report on up-coming programs, prospects and new businesses for the area.

Major areas of interest in Rusty's report:

- Classes start on the 23<sup>rd</sup> at CTTC for ESL and adult training. For more information contact Rusty or CTTC.

More information will be distributed through Rusty's weekly update.

***Next Meeting:***

Because of the Thanksgiving Holiday, the next meeting will be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of November instead of the 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Paula DiFonzo, CEO of NBU will be the November featured speaker. The meeting will be hosted by FedEx Services on November 14 at the Live-Oak Grill at 11:45 am.

Contact Rusty Brockman for reservations.

Respectfully submitted: Paul W. Webber, Secretary/Treasurer