Dorchester Seniors, Inc. Fund raising Committee Meeting Tuesday, June 28th, 2022 2:00pm

Committee Members Present DSI Staff

Carol Davis

Pamela Kelly

Dianne Jones

Leigh Thomson

Brandi Chambers

Elizabeth Rivers

Malika Watson

Jan Parsons <u>Guest</u>

Diane Thomas Russ Cornette

Emily Watts

At the request of Committee Chair, Diane Thomas (who was not feeling well), the meeting was conducted in part by Emily Watts, Board Chair.

Leigh Thomson, Executive Director of DSI, Inc. gave recognition to Russ Cornette, the Town Engineer who has participated in numerous Sanctioned BBQ Events, and Mrs. Thomson introduced the new DSI employee, Elizabeth Lewis - who will serve as the Marketing staff member- to the committee. Committee members welcomed Ms. Rivers.

Then, Ms Watts informed Mr. Cornette and Ms. Rivers of decisions made by the committee at the last meeting. He thanked the committee for the opportunity to attend the meeting: then he gave information as to how DSI could have a BBQ independently of a Sanctioned BBQ. Many questions were asked and he gave valuable information concerning hosting an independent BBQ. He said he will help DSI with the event. He then left the meeting.

Ms. Rivers then mentioned several ways to publicize the BBQ event such as the website, Facebook, posters, flyers, and TV/radio. She provided valuable information to committee members.

During this committee meeting, the committee members made the following decisions.

Ms. Rivers will handle the "marketing" issues.

All Board members will engage sponsors for the event.

There will be a "Sign-Up" Work Sheet for Board members.

Event tickets for \$20/each will be sold by all Board members.

There will be a raffle for members of the Centers to win a ticket to the event.

If there are several people serving as "cookers" for the event, each will pay a "entry fee" to serve as a "cooker".

Judges will decide on the winners.

The winners of the cook-off will receive various levels of money.

There will be prizes for ticket-holders - when the ticket is given to receive the food, the ticket will be placed in a container and at an appointed time, tickets will be drawn for prizes. There will be a "beer" truck on site.

There will be "S'mores packages" for sale at \$5.00 each...

There will be music provided by a band or a DJ.

There was a motion by Carol Davis for DSI to purchase three fire pits to be used for 'Silent Auction' or prizes for events. Malika Watson seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Food (BBQ, baked beans, slaw, roll, cookie) will be plated (boxes).

Beef hot dogs (chili, ketchup & mustard) will be sold for children. (Salt, Pepper, Hot sauce, etc. will be provided.)

Sweet tea or bottled water will be provided with the meal.

We will need "Ash Cans" for any "cookers" to use.

We will need "Trash Cans" for cookers & public to use.

May need extra chairs/tables for seating.

Carol Davis will contact the Boat Club Registrar to find out if DSI can use the facility on Friday for cookers to "set-up".

Motion by Pamela to adjourn. Seconded by Carol Davis. Meeting adjourned.

E. Watts for Diane Thomas