

**Fauquier Chamber of Commerce
Events Committee Meeting Minutes
March 1, 2023**

Members Present:

Ray Knott, Co-Chair, Michelle Coe, Co-Chair, Dawn Arruda, Co – Chair, Gloria Williams, Chair of the Valor Awards, Andy Rose, Chair of the Fall Festival, and Alec Burnett

Minutes:

The Fauquier Chamber of Commerce Events Committee meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m. by committee Co-Chair, Ray Knott

Sub Committee Reports:

Valor Awards (Wednesday 4/19/23) -Gloria Williams provided an update on the recent Valor Awards Committee meeting. She advised they had received \$2,150 in sponsorships to date and a push for sponsors was needed. She and Alec advised that Fauquier Springs came back with a quote of \$98/person, which was an exorbitant increase over prior years. Thus, the committee opted to change the venue to the Laurel Ridge Barkman Family room at no charge. RFP's are going out to caterers to get quotes for the event. RFP's to go out by Friday 3/2 with a 10 day return date.

Fall Festival (Saturday 9/23/23) – Andy Rose advised that the kick off meeting of the Fall Festival Committee was on 2/27/23, and will be on the 4th Monday of each month. He reported that the committee is working on sponsorship ideas, and working on getting some volunteer coordinators.

Annual Meeting/Gala (Thursday 11/2) – Discussion was around a change in date for the Gala based on it conflicting with the date of the Culpeper Chamber. The Events Committee felt it was best to move the Annual Meeting to the following week being Thursday 11/9. We discussed securing venues for the event, and looking at getting letters of interest/quotes from Airlie, Great Marsh, Morias Vineyards, Barrell Oak, 3 Fox Winery, Airport Terminal, and some others that Alec was vetting.

No other business was brought before the Events Committee so the meeting was adjourned at 4:02 pm.

Respectfully,



Ray Knott
Events Committee Co-Chair