

**GREATER BERLIN BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOC.
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, July 9, 2026
Rettinger Fireplace Systems**

Meeting called to order by Betty Velie. Time: 7: 04 P.M

Attendees: Please state name and business when approving Motions

Kevin Lyons, Maryann D'Agostino, Michelle Hileman, Betty Velie, Stephanie Schwarz, Amy Sist, Nicholas DiNuova, Shane Bernat, Alma Sanchez, Kelly VanNewenhizen, Frank Arneri, Don Foulk, Brian Dorflinger, Dina Terilla

APPROVAL June 4, 2026 MINUTES: Motion to approve the Monthly Meeting made by **Maryann D'Agostino**; Seconded by **Amy Sist**. All in Favor: Aye or Opposed - **Ayes Have It**

TREASURER'S REPORT: Don Foulk provided current treasurer's report. Motion to approve treasurer's report in the amount of **\$7,987.44** made by **Kevin Lyons** and seconded **Stephanie Schwarz** All in favor: AYE or Opposed-**Ayes Have it**

New Member Appointment:

- New membership application for Victory Bar and Grill, contact Justin Williams, located 795 Rt. 73, West Berlin, 08091. This business is a bar and restaurant accommodating all age groups. Motion to approve Victory Bar and Grill made by **Brian Dorflinger** Seconded by **Kevin Lyons** All in favor: AYE or Opposed-**Ayes Have it**

Old Business

- Meet n Greet fundraiser at The Cuebox publicity was created and sent out. A big thank you to Dave Rettinger for the incredible grill be donated as a door prize. It is worth approximately \$1,700. The model is Rogue® PRO-S 525 RSIB with Infrared Side and Rear Burner. A photo and details will be provided at the day of the event for attendees to see all features. The photo is on the flyer.
- An email was sent to all members regarding this event and given Stephanie Schwarz's phone number to contact if they will be providing food or refreshments. Many members offered to donate food, paper goods, and drinks. Additional posts will be sent out now that the ICCA parade is over.
- Focused Fusion Dance ribbon cutting is tentatively going to be held on Thursday, August 27 at 6 or 6:30 pm. I spoke with the Mayor from Berlin Township and we are scheduled to meet this week to finalize date and time. I will send out an official ribbon cutting email and flyer once everything is finalized.
- Stephanie, Gina and Betty provided information on the next fundraiser, English Tea Time by Ann, event to be held on Thursday, August 13th, from 6-8pm at Bunnycakes. Maximum tickets sold will be 21 people at \$50 per person
- Bunny Lyons has also agreed to holding a "Cookie n Sip" donate and it will be held on Thursday, September 17th from 6-8pm. Additional info discussed.
- Still looking for volunteers to obtain additional fall festival sponsors. I will be able to provide you with the sponsors we have thus far. Reminder emails will be sent.

New Business:

- Corky Boccella is reviewing car trophy categories for the car show
- Request to support the Ben to the Shore bike ride with a sponsorship to the Berlin Fire Co. No.1 in the amount of \$150. A Motion to approve Ben to the Shore made by **Frank Arnieri** Seconded by **Kevin Lyons** All in favor: AYE or Opposed-**Ayes Have it**
- Request to support the Berlin Police 2026 K9 Fundraiser with a sponsorship in the amount of \$150. A Motion to approve Berlin Police 2026 K9 Fundraiser made by **Kevin Lyons** Seconded By **Don Foulk** All in favor: AYE or Opposed-**Ayes Have it**
 - J-Dogs inflatable need motion to approve rental for fall festival. Inflatable Sports Game
 - (SPORTS BLAST) (Football, Soccer & Basketball) total amount \$744.50 . A Motion to approve deposit in the amount of \$372.25 made by **Kevin Lyons** Seconded by **Nicholas DiNuova**. Balance due week before festival.
- Received invoice from our face painter for this year and it's doubled. I left her an email and attached last year's invoice...will follow up. If her price doesn't change, I will search for other face painter.
- Betty has been getting pricing for an official GBBPA tablecloth to be used at fall fest and other events from SwagTex. A Motion to approve new table cloth made by Swagtex in the amount of \$199.99 made by **Don Foulk** Seconded by **Frank Arnieri** AYE or Opposed-**Ayes Have it**

Open to floor:

- **Ribbon Cutting for Bruce Associates in planning stages. Proposed date September 19th from 2-3PM.**

Motion to adjourn made by **Don Foulk** nd seconded by **Dina Terilla** Meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM. The

next GBBPA meeting is **August 6th at Rettinger Fireplace Systems**

Respectfully submitted by,
Dina Terilla, Secretary