



August 29, 2024

CCI-Navigation Team Meeting

Attendance: Joe Gagnon, Jan Schwarz, Jim Patrico, Kristy Young, Diane Shryock, Samiya Finley, Theresa Stilley, Christel Gollnick, Debbie Davis, Sandy Steggall

Call to Order: By Joe @ 1 p.m.

Old Business:

Visitors' guide. Sam updated the team on the progress of the visitors' guide committee. It has a preliminary version of a website and asked the team for guidance on setting up a URL and hosting service. Several options were discussed including using Go Daddy, which can set up a URL for 99 cents. Hosting packages vary. The team voted (Debbie/Kristy) to approve up to \$100 for charges relating to a url and hosting. Kristy is setting up debit card payment from CCI's checking account. Sam also requested assistance in setting up an email address so businesses wanting to be listed can provide information. (After the meeting Christel volunteered to set up a gmail account that links to CCI's Google Drive.) Christel suggested the committee find ways to collaborate with stakeholders prior to publication.

Guiding Coalition meeting. The team discussed goals and the agenda for a September 10 meeting of the Guiding Coalition. The main goal is to share with the larger group results from the feasibility study and the recommendations the Navigation Team will make as a result of the study. The agenda will include 1) a description and celebration of CCI's early wins, 2) who the team talked to during the study, 3) what were the study's findings and 4) what the team recommends: a countywide library/learning center system. The team decided to wait to ask the larger group to approve new bylaws at a November meeting. Christel will send a jpeg with talking points to team members that they can use to invite others to the September 10 meeting. Debbie volunteered to bring refreshments to the meeting, which is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, September 10 in the Community Courtyard atrium.

Commissioners. Joe reported that he had a discussion with the county commissioners and they seem favorable to setting up a library district in all of Clinton County except the city of Cameron. They also were receptive to CCI submitting a list of potential library trustees. One commissioner expressed some reservations about putting a library tax on the April 2025 ballot because the commissioners are contemplating asking voters for a sales tax to support a new jail and may want to put it on the April ballot too. Joe suggested to the team that we ask the commissioners to establish a library district to be funded by a property tax to be placed on "a 2025 ballot." That wording gives both the commissioners and CCI leeway to avoid placing two tax issues on the same ballot.



Meeting schedules. The Navigation Team set a new schedule for its meetings: 8 a.m. the third Wednesday of the month at the Community Courtyard.

Trustee candidates. Joe reported that Trey Talley and Kyle Bean agreed to be members. Jim reported that candidate Laura Evans does not have a Clinton County address and cannot serve. We seem to have more than enough candidates to fill the five positions.

Adjourned: 2:40 p.m.