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College Hill Business Association

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Minutes from meeting on March 3, 2020 at Bacall's Cafe Prepared by: Aaron Fleming, Secretary

8 a.m.: Community News

- What do we want from the association? What are the association goals for this year? The next quarter?
- Jan. meeting minutes approved. Treasures Report was given and approved. Total in the account is \$15,933.39.
- Jim Bodner encourages all businesses to fill out Right of Entry Letters for the police—gives them the right to enter the property if necessary. Crime Report passed out—crime is down.
- Gardners Association will have the herb sale the last Sat. in April. Plant sale is May 2.
- CHCURC passed out marketing packets for each business. Please hang up the Derby Day flyer / poster. Apartment available in Dixon Building. Facade Improvement applications will be available soon.

8:15 a.m.: Round Robin

- Leah Marie Kirsch, Huntington Bank and Kirsch Jr. Automotive: Needs participation and new members, think about what events we can get involved in.
- Mindy Nagle, College Hill Pilates and Physic: Anyone who has pain. Ankle, hip, knee, neck, etc. Spring Fling for Clark Montessouri needs a donation for a silent auction—perhaps a basket.
- **Karen Hartman**, CPA: Taxes for businesses, individuals, partnerships, trusts, estates. If you are new clients please be organized.
- **Jeremy Boerger**, Boerger Consulting: help organizations organize their asset managements. OISC article published. IAAM speaker at their annual conference.
- Mary Mulford, Red Rose: Restructuring the restaurant. Lunch is now Fri and Sat. Bar grand opening is Friday, March 6. \
- Correlless Barry, Chozen for You Boutique: Best referral is someone who is looking to update or enhance their wardrobe. Looking for a payroll
- Shenda Larry, First Financial Bank: needs support from BA
- Brianne Brenneman, CHCURC: need referal for apartment
- Terry Owen, Silk Road Textiles: anyone who wants to make things, have
- Ron Busch, Bacalls: 38 years in College Hill! Need servers, busers, cooks.
- Marty Schwartz, Schwartz Jewelry: need referrals for repairs, gifts, wedding rings, engraving, watch / clock repair.
- Seth Walsh, CHCURC: spread the word about the vacant apartment
- Tina Stoeberal, College Hill Coffee: Need employees. They posted the
- Shanda: Inspire: Anyone interested in caring for their hair and loves fashion.

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- Kate, Marty's Hops & Vines: Only serve dinner. Live music on Wed, Fri and Sat nights. Wine tastings every Friday.
- Jessica Roper, Bacall's:
- Debra Davis, Regional Director of Greater Cincinnati / Northern Kentucky African American Chamber of Congress: Work with start ups to med. size businesses. Need help increasing the awareness of the program.
- Marty Russell, EXP Realty: anyone looking to buy or sell prooperty, also works with investors
- Leon Herbert, 360 Pro: Reputation management, Google My Business. Looking for referrals to give advice.
- Margarita Stojanova, Branch Manager at Huntington Bank, North College Hill

Like other BA businesses on social media. Review each other. Comment and like posts.

8:45 a.m.: Special Presentation, Debra Davis, Regional Director of Greater Cincinnati / Northern Kentucky African American Chamber of Congress

- What we do: They can review business plans and make recommendations for loans. Loan
 program through the state. MBE (minority business enterprise), state will contribute 50% of
 the loan. Direct loan program—interest rate is low.
- Want to increase minority and women owned businesses. Three certification programs: MBE, EDGE, VBE. Fill out application online at State of Ohio Procurement. Certified businesses can bid with a smaller pool of businesses, increasing the odds of winning.
- Workshops, business resources are free. We work with all businesses owners, not just minorities. They will refer you to another organization if they cannot be of service.