

**Ninth Annual Meeting
Mansfield Downtown Partnership, Inc.
Tuesday, June 3, 2010
6 PM**

**Center for Hellenic Studies Paideia
28 Dog Lane, Mansfield, Connecticut**

Minutes

1) Call to Order and Welcome

President Philip Lodewick called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm. Mr. Lodewick thanked Ilias Tomazos for his generosity in providing the Center for Hellenic Studies Paideia again for the Partnership's Annual Meeting.

2) Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3) Approval of Minutes from Annual Meeting – June 2, 2009

Dean David Woods made a motion to approve the June 2, 2009 minutes. Bill Simpson seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

4) Remarks from John Simone, President and CEO, CT Main Street Center

John Simone, President and CEO of CT Main Street Center, gave a presentation of the CT Main Street Center, the economic benefits of downtowns, and how the Mansfield Downtown Partnership is demonstrating good practices with respect to mixed-use and transit-oriented development.

5) Annual Review of the Program and Year Ahead

Mr. Lodewick gave an overview of the Mansfield Downtown Partnership's plans for the future, and thanked the Partnership members, Board of Directors, and staff for their efforts on behalf of the Partnership. Mr. Lodewick recognized major sponsors and supporters – the ReminderNews, the SBM Charitable Foundation, UConn Co-op, Wilcox & Reynolds, the Town of Mansfield, and the University of Connecticut.

Mr. Lodewick recognized Macon Toledano, Storrs Center Project Manager, for master developer LeylandAlliance. Mr. Toledano gave a presentation of the status of the University of Connecticut Mansfield Road project, the Storrs Road improvement project, and Phase 1A progress, including a depiction of the layout of the Phase 1A buildings and units, and an update on tenants that have signed letters of intent.

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6) Election of Directors to the Mansfield Downtown Partnership, Inc., Board of Directors

Mr. Lodewick reported that the Board was nominating Bruce Clouette, Frank McNabb and Kristin Schwab to three-year terms on the Mansfield Downtown Partnership, Inc. Board of Directors. Mr. Lodewick asked if there were any nominations from the Floor. Hearing none, Betsy Paterson made a motion to elect Bruce Clouette, Frank McNabb and Kristin Schwab to three-year terms on the Board of Directors until June 30, 2013. Steve Bacon seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Mr. Lodewick said that Board member Steve Bacon and Partnership Executive Director Cynthia van Zelm had interviewed four excellent University of Connecticut students to fill the University student representative position on the Board. They recommended two students who were interviewed by the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that David Lindsay serve as the student representative on the Board. The Board concurred. Mr. Lindsay introduced himself and made a few comments.

Mr. Lodewick recognized outgoing Board members Mike Gergler and Peter Nicholls for their excellent years of service. As Mr. Gergler and Provost Nicholls were unable to attend the meeting, a rendering of the Storrs Center project will be presented to them at a later time.

7) A.J. Pappanikou Volunteer of the Year

Finance and Administration Chair Tom Callahan recognized Phil Barry as the first recipient of the A.J. Pappanikou Volunteer of the Year. Mr. Callahan said Mr. Pappanikou was a long time supporter of the Partnership and served on its Finance and Administration Committee with Mr. Barry. Mr. Callahan noted that it was fitting that Mr. Barry be the first recipient of the A.J. Pappanikou Volunteer of the Year award particularly given the friendship between Mr. Barry and Mr. Pappanikou. Mr. Barry said a few words, noting his appreciation for the A.J. Pappanikou Volunteer of the Year Award, and thanked Mr. Callahan. Mr. Barry was given a plaque of recognition.

8) Other

Ms. Paterson thanked Mr. Simone for the CT Main Street Center's 2010 Award of Excellence for Special Project for the *Festival on the Green* which she will be accepting next week in Bridgeport on behalf of the Mansfield Downtown Partnership. Ms. Paterson announced that the *Festival on the Green* will be held as part of a Celebrate Mansfield weekend. There will be a wine tasting at the Altnaveigh Inn and Restaurant on Friday, September 10, a picnic on Saturday, September 11 with music, and the *Festival* on Sunday, September 12 from 12 pm to 5 pm. There will be food, music, art, and the Celebrate Mansfield Parade, among other events, at the *Festival*. Ms. Paterson asked for sponsorships for the *Festival* and/or donations as none of the *Festival* expenses come from its operating budget. She thanked members in attendance for their support.

Mary Hirsch encouraged people to attend the University's Connecticut Repertory Theater Nutmeg Summer Series. Ms. Hirsch said she had seen *Rent*, and it was terrific.

9) Adjourn

Hearing no other business, a motion was made by Mr. Callahan and seconded by Ms. Paterson to adjourn. The motion was approved and the Annual Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.