

**March 27**

**St. Martins & District Chamber of Commerce**  
**Board Meeting Agenda**

1. Call to Order/Opening 6:37pm
2. Roll call/Attendance Elaine, Jules, Bev, Jordan
3. Approval of agenda Jules Second: Bev
4. Address or proposals from the Community
  - 4.1. Need to know if BayBaies renewal. Did not.
    - 4.1.1. If businesses need advertising opportunities or help with business online, please be up to date with yearly fees.
    - 4.1.2. We can possibly feature job postings on Facebook and on the website homepage.
5. Address or proposals from Chamber Members
6. Staff reports
  - 6.1. Membership update No updates or renewals since last meeting
  - 6.2. Financial update; outstanding bills (CC bill for GMIST) and receivables (gmist): Wendy
  - 6.3. Bursaries: Bev got the updated posters and emailed them to BoD. They will be refreshed for next year. Bev and JULES to put the bursary board and info on Facebook. Bursary information to be updated on the website. Keep online questions the same.  
Steps:
    - 1/ Update website (Jord).
    - 2/ Share on Facebook.
    - 3/ Fundraiser board on Facebook.
    - 4/ Print and read applications (June 2).
  - 6.4. Winterfest ; Council to offset all costs, ask for full sponsorship. Other events get up to \$1000 grants. BoD to ask for full sponsorship for next year to cover ALL costs.
    - Dark sky party = \$300.00
    - Referees = \$200.00
    - Rink = \$1200.00
    - Champion shield = \$11.00
    - 6.4.1. 2025
      - Indoor event for the Sunday
      - Museum?
  - 6.5. Speaker Series  
April 23: Debbie Bennett: Employer and Employee Standards. Do you

know the rules? Are you operating ILLEGALLY?! Find out. Make a general Meeting as well?

May 14: Ayman: New WorkingNB guidelines! / Friends of Fundy - JPrep

June 11: Stephane Picard: Dark Skies in St. Martins. Possibly wrap this into a ANNUAL General Meeting?

- Community center costs \$75 (every use).
- 6:30pm starts??? 1.5 to 2 hours long. If it doesn't work, move to 7pm for the next month.
- Food for people? Cookies, muffins, coffee.
- JORD: Reach out to speakers.
- Jord: JPrep onboarding? Businesses ready?
- BEV: Book community center.
- ELAINE: Food and drinks.

7. Old business

8. New business

8.1. Winterfest debrief meeting

- Debrief was in Rothesay.
- Make event "to-Do" list template.
- Make G-Drive folder: Who's Open signs, dressing room signs. Schedule, tournament schedule, "To-Do" list, Winterfest location signs?,
- Big bump to business on the weekend. > Testimonials.

**Polar Dip**

- #'s for Polar Dip?
- Consider changing the location in front of the caves. Better parking, easier beach, Seaside would open, spread business around the Village. Would need to be right at high tide.

**Stargazing**

- Stargazing = 25-30
- March break may have affected student attendance.

**Hockey Tournament**

- Maybe a minimum number of women players for 2025.
- How to solve the under-age player issue. Check IDs?

- Possible earlier start to Winterfest in 2025. January 18 to March 2 Winterfest.

- Helps negotiate weather issues.
- Possible website starting for 2025.
- Better for presenting event schedules.

9. Next meetings

- 9.1. Board of Directors: **Monday, April 15**
- 9.2. General membership meeting: **April 23 (AGM), June, September, December**
10. Adjournment: **7:58pm**