## Dacusville Business Association

**MARCH 2013** 

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The 2013 year has gotten off to a great start for our association. We already have 26 members with many more left to join. Please encourage your friends, neighbors and business relationships to consider joining our group. If you need applications, please contact me and I will deliver or mail them. I was very impressed at our last meeting with our speaker, Dr. Kelly Pew. It was obvious to me that she truly is interested in improving the level of instruction which will hopefully lead to a higher graduation rate. With the building program almost behind her, she can now concentrate more on being the instructional leader. Thanks to all who came out on such a nasty weather night

If you recall at our last meeting, I was unable to report on the status of the vacated elementary school. Well today I can! In a recent conversation with Councilman Ponder, he informed me that the County Council has agreed to move forward with the demolition and reconstruction of the old school. Asbestos abatement will be done first which turned out not to be such a big problem. The engineering to determine the infrastructure for the water, electricity, sewer and where to make the cuts will be going forward within the next several months with actual demolition to start, hopefully, this summer. In addition, he confirmed that as soon as the building is separated and safe, a new public library will be available in the two story structure. Other programs are also being discussed. As I have said before, the day the first brick comes down from the old building will be a RED LETTER day for our community.

The speaker for the March meeting will be Rusty Bynum, CFP. The CFP stands for Certified Professional Planner. Rusty is one of our own. He grew up in our community and attended our schools. After college, he came back home and went to work for his Dad, Barry Bynum, a product of Dacusville High School. Rusty's theme will be "Tax Planning for 2013: A Year of Change". His presentation will cover such things as the New Medicare Tax, Income Tax Rates, Capital Gains Tax and overall Tax Strategies. Please make plans to attend.

As I have said many times, we are very fortunate to live in such a beautiful part of the world. Let's all do our part by supporting our community in any way we can. Hope to see you on March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm t the Lions Club Facility.

MARCH 19<sup>TH</sup> MEETING

Dacusville Lions Club

7:00 PM

SAVE THE DATE-MARCH 19<sup>TH</sup>

Speaker: Rusty Bynum, CFP

## ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## MINUTES OF THE DACUSVILLE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION MEETING JANUARY 15, 2013

The bi-monthly meeting of The Dacusville Business Association was called to order by President Ronny Hall on January 15, 2013 at the Dacusville Lions Club. Invocation was given by Jim Shelton. Welcome and opening remarks were given by President Hall. Minutes of the November 20, 2012 meeting were read and approved as written. Teresa Landers presented a treasurer's report that will be filed.

President Hall reviewed accomplishments of the DBA during 2012. Looking ahead to 2013, speakers are planned for March and May, with a pot luck supper for July. The meetings for September and November are open at the present time.

President Hall asked members to be thinking along the lines of how the DBA can impact the Community Center, such as something donated by DBA....speaker system, stage/staging. Due to our County Councilman Tom Ponder being ill, more information regarding the status of the vacated elementary school building will be forth coming at our next meeting.

Guest Speaker tonight is Dr. Kelly Pew, Superintendent of the School District of Pickens County. Dr. Pew gave us an overview of the sixteen elementary schools, 5 middle schools, 4 high schools, and the 16,000 students in Pickens County.

Announcements: The Pickens County Historical Society will hold open house in April.

Membership renewal is currently due.

An update of Dacusville.org will be coordinated with Bob Spalding.

President Hall announced our next meeting will be March 19, 2013. Guest speaker will be Rusty Bynum, President of Bynum Financial Group, Inc. of Easley.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sylvia D. Hughes Secretary