

Mercer Area Connections meeting

Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at 12:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. **Introductions** – In attendance: Sue Loth, Gary Mears, Vic Ouimette, Hedda Patzke, Deanna Pierpont, Teresa Schmidt.
2. **Purpose of Committee** – Discussion was held about the purpose of the committee: to encourage Mercer-area organizations and individuals to work together towards their goals and continue to improve the quality of life for all Mercer residents and visitors.
3. **Rename this committee** – This group was asked by the town of Mercer to choose another name since the original name, “Mercer-Area Community Planning committee,” was similar enough to the Mercer Planning Commission that it caused some confusion. After discussion this group decided to choose the name “Mercer Area Connections (MAC).”
4. **January 2017 survey – review responses** – Surveys were distributed in January at the library, town hall, Mercer Senior Center, Chamber of Commerce, and Mercer School; mailed to Mercer residences in the Mercer School newsletter; and online via the library’s website and eNewsletter. Approximately 80 surveys were returned online and in person. The members present reviewed some of the responses received.
5. **Future plans** – The members present discussed ways to continue to engage some of the local organizations that met last fall. It was decided to hold a social event in early May, possibly an evening potluck, and invite local organizations to attend and share their upcoming plans. This event will be discussed at the next meeting.
6. **Next meeting date** – MAC will meet again on April 5 at 10:00am at the Mercer Library.

Minutes submitted by Teresa Schmidt