

**Valley Ventures Group Meeting, Microcredit
August 08, 2008
Woodlands Credit Union**

Time: 9:15 – 11:15
Facilitator: Eric Lang
Minute Taker: Laura Lynch

Present: Carla Lapierre, Lise Grondin-Danault, Laura Lynch, Keith Lynch, Eric Lang, Denise Doucette, Karen Bradley, Derik Brasher, Joyce Presby.

Excused: Rick Alger, Jacky Hawkins.

Invited Guests: Lucille Richard. The guests were invited because they wanted to observe a typical Microcredit meeting in order to start their own group.

Accepted minutes from last month: 1st Laura Lynch, 2nd Lise Grondin-Danault

Accepted treasurer's report: 1st Carla Lapierre, 2nd Derik Brasher.

3 minute check in:

Denise D: Attended a free workshop for piano teachers, Will be teaching beginning guitar at NHCC in Fall, raised prices to \$10 per private class, will give a preset price for period of time.

Laura: Very busy, completed two websites and several printing jobs.

Keith: Has been ill and injured. Surgery for shoulder is in October.

Carla: Sold her show booth, keeping up with her IDA, changed store around, cataloging mat board, got permission to put brochures at welcome booth on route 2.

Karen: She had a busy month, massage in Colebrook at a gym, she is calling WREN to do massage there. She is also applying for the IDA and CCEP programs.

Lise: Got commission from ioncleanse machine sale, getting clients from her web site, she did a press release for the Conway Daily Sun. Her venture in eco quest is starting slowly.

Eric: He is doing a bit of consulting work.

Lucille: Joining MicroCredit-NH, a Berlin group. She owns Richard's Records and Payroll, can do books remotely over the internet.

TRADESHOW 2009: Trying to get radio person to cover our next tradeshow. OKQ, JOM or Notch-Net. All decided "opening the door to opportunity" was a good catch phrase for the tradeshow. Need to get web site ready. Lise has reserved Saturday, March 21st at the White Mountain Community College for our tradeshow. Carla offered a theme, so this year it will be called: "Opening the Door to Opportunities." Our guest speaker is Tammy Levesque, owner of The Fitness Edge in Merrimack, NH. We will strategize more at the next meeting. If you have any ideas, please write them down and bring them in.

Tutorial: Went over chapter 4 (record keeping).

Next month: Eric will finish chapter 4 and Derik will go over chapter 5.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15

Next meeting: Friday, Sept. 11, 2008 at 9:15 at Woodlands
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Time Keeper: Denise