

Camp Quest NorthWest meeting minutes

Teleconference Meeting – <http://gotomeet.me/CQNW>

Tuesday, April 14, 2020, 6:30pm

Board Members in attendance:

President – Michael Warbington

Vice President – Bridget Lombardo

Treasurer – Kathy Amadio

Secretary – Jami Gramore

Members at Large – Meg Vimes, Andrea Kunkle, Paul Mopps, Ben Frey

Others in attendance: Kate Turner, Becky Friedman, Cambria Keely, Astryd Lyrix-Astyriel, Theo James, Josh Oberg, Gino Prodan, Aleksandar Jovanovic, Sharon Zolnowsky, Phil Cole, Natalie Bornfleth, Caveman, CeCe Crosby, Quinton

Meeting Minutes:

Start time: 6:48 pm

Approving 3/11/2020 meeting minutes:

* **Consent Agenda** for 3/11/2020 meeting was approved without objections.

Go, No Go for Camp Sessions:

* The Board and attendees discussed whether or not to continue with either camp session. Waskowitz has cancellation in a tiered effect. If a camp cancel within 60-90 days, they just lose deposit. COVID flexibility. Kirby: Deposit is 40% (\$11,500), and they voted to allow camps to roll over deposit into next year's deposit. Kirby has not canceled its camp sessions yet. The Board wants to make a decision as soon as possible to Alleviate anxiety among parents, staff, and campers.

* As of this meeting, the following Camp Quest locations have decided to cancel their 2020 summer sessions:

- * CQ Arizona
- * Kansas City
- * CQ Texas

* Message from Camp Fire Samish & Camp Kirby: Management is also addressing additional precautions we will take this summer to keep our campers and staff, safe and healthy. We are working closely with ACA (American Camp Association), our insurance company, Camp Fire National, and all local, state, and federal regulatory agencies. Some of the precautions and safety checks that we will either continue observing, or that will be added to our current procedures include:

- * Additional hand-washing stations throughout camp with scheduled times for each cabin group, under direct supervision of counselors.
- * An increased number of health care professionals, both on-site and on call.
- * Targeted education with campers regarding personal hygiene, social distancing, and other safety practices.
- * Added policies and resources for the quarantine of any campers/staff showing signs of illness.
- * Extra precautions regarding food and meal service.
- * Frequent ongoing surface sanitation.
- * Extended cancellation policies for campers with immune deficiencies and/or who are showing signs of illness in the 14 days prior to their camp session.

* Becky shared a message from Highline Public Schools: “We are awaiting information from the Governor on whether schools will be open for summer school.”

* Paul: Has been closely following health professionals. Advises against June for sure. Will not attend himself.

Vote:

* Kathy A made a motion, seconded by Paul M, to cancel the Waskowitz 2020 camp session. The motion passed unanimously.

* Suggestion: Payments go toward the next year of camp.

* For August: Poll staff soon to ask if they’re immune-compromised and/or won’t be attending camp. Ask parents to cancel if they already know so we can make decisions about staffing and registration.

* Phil: Consider contacting governor’s office. Someone who could help give us guidance.

* Phil: We need to make a decision about renewing our insurance policy if there’s no camp. June 1 deadline. After discussing the pros and cons, the consensus was that it’s still worth covering CQNW if we have in-person meetings and are renting facilities.

* Becky: Sam and I are doing daily info collection for the radio station and get notifications of most of the stuff Phil’s talking about.

* Registration Options if we cancel:

* Option 1: Transfer camper’s registration to June/July 2021 session at Camp Waskowitz. Exact dates are TBD but expected to be end of June/beginning of July timeframe. Camperships that have been awarded will roll over as well.

* Option 2: Put camper on the waitlist for August 2020 session. If August does not work out, we will follow up with families to get an alternate option.

* Option 3: Cancel camper’s registration, but donate some or all of the registration fee to help CQ offset the impact of the COVID-19. A receipt will be provided for tax purposes.

* Option 4: Cancel camper’s registration and give a full refund.

Vote:

* Mike W made a motion, seconded by Ben F, to postpone the June/July 2020 session to June/July 2021 and retain registrations. The motion passed unanimously.

* Bridget: CQ National has Quest at Home (<https://www.campquest.org/quest-at-home>). CQNW could do online activities, or just point them toward Quest at Home. E.g., Virtual Socrates Café

* Kathy modeled what our finances would look like if we canceled sessions. About \$21k balance sheet loss.

* Could still have a t-shirt for this year. Deadline for camp t-shirts: two-month lead time. Could have blank shirts and tie-dye, or cosmic bleaching.

Grants Committee:

* Camp has been canceled for Waskowitz, so there’s more grant money available for August.

* What about grants that were awarded for 2020 session that got postponed? Consensus to roll over grants to 2021.

Staffing Committee:

- * August: 37 staff in pipeline. 28 of those are approved and notified.
- * Will not issue any EOT logins until after next Board meeting.

Programming Committee:

- * Got the different projects laid out. Shared in the Google folder. PowerPoint presentation where people can review the programs and make comments. Need list of people to lead programs.

Outreach Committee:

- * Everything's been canceled.

Registration:

- * Removed automatic payments for July. Will allow next auto payment to go through for August.

Treasurer's Report:

- * Kathy emailed the Board the budget and balance sheets.
- * Does CQNW qualify for small business grants?

Important Date:

- * Tentative August 2020 Session: Camp: August 16 – 22 (Staff: August 15 – 23)

Next Board Meeting:

May 25, 2020 at 6:30pm

Location: Online – <http://gotomeet.me/CQNW>

End time: 8:35 pm