

## **Camp Quest NorthWest meeting minutes**

**Jami's home (11008 NE 140<sup>th</sup> St., Kirkland, WA 98034)  
September 7, 2011 at 7:00pm**

Board Members in attendance:

President – Chuck Wolber

Vice President – Brennon Church

Secretary – Jami Blackann

Treasurer – Jerry Schiffelbein

Members at Large – Yuichi Shoda, Shirley Portegys, John Keiser (via Skype), Mary Keiser (via Skype), Jennifer Jackson

Other members in attendance:

Matt Bristol, Eliza Sutton, Brian Jackson

### **Action Items:**

- \* Chuck: Look into third-party bill payer options.
- \* Chuck: Put Bylaws on the website.
- \* Chuck: Contact CQ Inc. about their advertised CIT ages on the website. We only want 17-year-olds, not as young as 16.
- \* Chuck: Email current t-shirt inventory to Jami ASAP.
- \* Chuck: Contact American Atheists about article.
- \* Chuck: Start doing background checks.
- \* Chuck: Ask Amanda about retroactive tax-deductible status.
- \* Chuck: Attend recording of Ask an Atheist, talk to Sam about doing a show and commercials.
- \* Jami: Work on design for 2' x 6' banner.
- \* Jami: Send Jason the t-shirt order.
- \* Jami: Ask Jason how much the t-shirt screens cost.
- \* John: Write a website widget to accept donations so we can get rid of ChipIn.
- \* Mary: Get confirmation from Mount Si Community Center that everything is in order for November 19.

- \* Jerry: Talk about making CQNW (presentation and/or childcare) a part of December 4 Potluck.
- \* Brennon: Ask for further details about lifeguard/archery/rock wall training.
- \* Shirley: Make suggested changes to donation packet letter. Submit to Jami for final editing.
- \* Yuichi: Nudge Parent Map again.
- \* Mikki, Eliza, and Eileen: Keep in touch with each other as the camp medical team. Eliza to report on status.
- \* Everyone who bought t-shirts and still hasn't paid: Pay \$15 per shirt through the ChipIn widget on the website.

## **Meeting Minutes:**

**Start time:** 7:20 p.m.

- \* Previous meeting minutes were adopted.

## **Review of Action Items from Previous Meeting:**

- \* Chuck: Contact CQ Ohio about using photos in his blog entries. If not, ask about posting images of activities from previous years, or get generic images. [**done – We can use them, but we cannot name children.**]
- \* Chuck: Look into Flickr.com to store CQNW's pictures. Create an account. [**ongoing, no rush**]
- \* Chuck and Jerry: Talk to BECU and other places about getting a merchant account. [**done – they recommended a third-party service**]
- \* Chuck: Ask Amanda when they usually start recruiting counselors. [**done – January**]
- \* Chuck: Tell Amanda about our progress, how the August Potluck went. [**done**]
- \* Everyone who bought t-shirts: Pay \$15 per shirt through the ChipIn widget on the website. [**ongoing, mostly paid**]
- \* Mary and Jennifer: Figure out how many children's t-shirts to order. [**will do that tonight**]
- \* Brennon: Ask for further details about lifeguard/archery/rock wall training. [**ongoing**]
- \* Jami: Tell Jason about our plan to order more t-shirts. [**done**]
- \* Jami: Work on design for 2' x 6' banner. [**ongoing**]
- \* John: Write a website widget to accept donations so we can get rid of ChipIn. [**ongoing**]
- \* John: Research tools like Wufoo to see if they offer everything we need. [**done – looks like it can do the job. Will need further investigation.**]
- \* John: Stay in touch with Humanists of North Puget Sound. Put a link to them (and other affiliates) on our website. [**done**]
- \* John: Make videos of August Potluck available. Is it possible to edit them so they're not sideways? [**downloaded from recorder, still need to decide where to put them**]
- \* John: Write review of August Potluck for the blog. [**done – awesome job**]
- \* Jerry: Contact Gayatri about hosting the September 7 board meeting. [**done, but had to host elsewhere instead**]

\* Mary: Send 501(c)3 document to Mount Si Community Center. [**done – haven't heard back from them yet**]

### **Financial Report:**

\* Contributions so far: \$7,467.29 (John's Microsoft matching amount: \$3,204)

\* Expenses: \$309.28

\* Balance: \$7,158.01.

\* We have a bank account! Waiting for checks to arrive.

### **Board nominations:**

\* Jennifer Jackson was nominated several weeks ago for Member at Large.

\* Vote: accepted unanimously.

### **September 6 CQ Inc. Meeting:**

\* Chapter adoption approved. We are officially Camp Quest NorthWest!

\* Amanda said she'll work on getting us on the official website. She's swamped right now.

\* Amanda expressed concern about having camp dates from middle-of-the-week to middle-of-the-week. Chuck explained that we had the same concerns, but this was pretty much our only option for 2012.

\* 501(c)3 mix-up: The IRS lost the application, then found it. It was tied to Chesapeake instead of CQ Inc., so they had to throw it out and do it over again.

\* Amanda will be our assistant camp director. Will be on site for the whole week.

\* Financial Reporting: Make it available if people want to see it. Handle it like a business.

\* Brennon: We should post a budget online like Camp Quest West.

### **Camp Kirby:**

\* Brennon's kept the camp abreast of our situation. We're still penciled in. We will pay once we have our BECU checks.

### **T-shirt Plan:**

\* Ask Jason how much screens cost. Each color has a \$20 setup fee, so it costs us \$100 for our current design. Jason only likes to hold the screens for a few weeks. Thus, it might be worth it to buy the screens.

\* Quantity of Green shirts to order:

1 S

3 L

1 XL

1 XXXL

\* Chuck: Email current inventory to Jami, so she can subtract from above.

\* Purple t-shirt for non-staff members. 30 total

\* Child Sizes (Purple):

5 XS

10 S

\* Youth Sizes (Purple):

2 S

2 M

2 L

2 XL

\* Adult Sizes (Purple):

2 S

2 M

3 L

### **Advertising:**

\* Shirley's traveling road show. We reviewed her letter. She put together a nice donation packet with the letter, brochure, and CQNW info flyer. She plans to leave them at Unitarian churches, among other places.

\* Shirley to be our official CQNW Liaison.

\* **Ask an Atheist:** Sam does plan to have us on the show. Chuck will try to go to a recording on September 18, along with the after-show dinner. We want to have commercials. Need to think of ideas, determine whether we want to produce it or have someone else do it.

\* Commercial Idea from John: The ongoing saga of Billy. He believes something different and silly every week. "If only Billy's parents had sent him to Camp Quest."

\* Two basic advertising categories: Fundraising and Registration.

Brennon's suggestions for bulletin board ads:

\* Make this a season for reason.

\* Kids + Science = Awesome.

\* Camp Quest NorthWest: Building better brains. (zombie)

\* This Winter Solstice, help keep the candle burning. (reference to Carl Sagan's *The Demon-Haunted World*)

\* Have picture of Santa-looking figure. "Visit every single house in one evening? That's ridiculous."

\* Parent Map: Yuichi still hasn't heard back.

- \* Attend book signings. Dawkins, PZ Myers?
- \* Touch base with Foundation Beyond Belief: Parenting within Reason Podcast.
- \* KUOW? Amanda might also be interested in participating in an interview.
- \* We should have ambassadors to various events. Matt would like to head this up, keep track of who's speaking where.
- \* Secular Student Alliance/Union: Start attending meetings, try to recruit potential counselors. Pay attention to website.
- \* Mikki to be camp nurse, is looking into all the particulars. Eliza and Eileen to be part of the medical team. Eliza can give us reports.

### **Camp Quest Junior**

- \* December 4: Humanists of Washington is holding Winter Potluck. 2100 Building, 6pm-9pm. Probably wouldn't be a good opportunity for CQ Junior. Might be possible for simple childcare. Should definitely have a presentation about CQNW.
- \* Jerry: Talk about making CQNW (presentation and/or childcare) a part of December 4 Potluck.
- \* Why has CQ Junior fizzled out in other areas? Different demographics, no real leadership, other priorities.

### **Next Meeting:**

**Eileen's home (23209 61st Pl S, Kent, WA 98032)  
Wednesday, September 21, 7pm sharp**

**End time: 9:20pm**