

## **Camp Quest NorthWest meeting minutes**

**Round Table Pizza (15730 1st Ave S, Burien, WA)**

**Thursday, December 19, 2013, 6:30pm sharp**

Board Members in attendance:

President – Chuck Wolber

Secretary – Jami Blackann

Treasurer – Jerry Schiffelbein

Members at Large – Brian Demong, Becky Friedman, Lou Amadio, Yuichi Shoda

### **Action Items:**

- \* Chuck: Resubmit Boeing volunteer matching funds.
- \* Chuck: Promote the Amazon charitable fund on website and social media.
- \* Chuck: Start a parents Facebook page.
- \* Chuck: Create a campquestnorthwest.org email address for Michael W.
- \* Chuck: Create a preliminary organization chart.
- \* Chuck: Put Darwin Day planning on the agenda for the next meeting.
- \* Lou/Jami: Communicate with Seattle Atheists about Darwin Day participation.
- \* Brian: Work with Paul on the billboard advertising.
- \* Michael: Finalize and blog about flag contest.

### **Meeting Minutes:**

**Start time:** 7:05 p.m.

- \* Chuck moves to accept the November board meeting minutes without reading them. Lou seconds.
- \* November meeting minutes were accepted unanimously.

### **Financial Report:**

- \* The treasurer gave his report. Contact Jerry for details.

### **smile.amazon.com:**

- \* 0.5% of your purchases go to a charitable organization. CQNW is there.
- \* The link and explanation should be posted on Facebook, Twitter, etc.

### **Registration Caps:**

- \* Need to make a decision about registration limits. This number should stay dynamic depending on staff numbers.

\* Everyone: Review camper sign-up form. If you have any input on the registration forms, let us know asap. The form goes live January 1.

### **Family Communication:**

- \* Create a parent Facebook group. Other camps have had good success with FB group communication.
- \* The goal is to build a community not just around the camp, but in the larger freethinker family community.
- \* Post a message about proper etiquette.

### **Camp Flag:**

- \* Michael has a tentative plan with submission description and guidelines.
- \* He created a contest page with a blank flag on it.
- \* Have one main flag that we keep for a long time, then have each cabin design their own flag annually at camp.
- \* Launch campaign on Facebook and website as soon as registration opens.
- \* Designs due by March 31.
- \* Michael will make a blog post about it. We'll post submissions to the website as they come in.
- \* Final design may be a single design, or a combination of the greatest elements from several submissions.
- \* Make several copies of the flag.

### **Billboard Advertising:**

- \* Paul has found a way to facilitate CQ billboard advertising. Only requirement: Don't upset the local churches. Location: Woodinville and Everett. Style guide?
- \* Deadline: Shoot for mid-January
  
- \* Website suggestion: Purchase similar domain names, like campquestnw.org
- \* The board will hold a staff review every meeting starting in April.
- \* Need more communication with new staff about the process and programming.
- \* Switch to Google Hangout for group chat.

### **Seattle Atheists Darwin Day:**

Date: February 9, 2014

- \* Last year was a good learning experience:
  - \* Lego and gear stuff popular with little kids. Harder to keep older kids interested.
  - \* Don't do anything new.
  - \* Didn't have commitment from volunteers. Didn't know how many kids would show up.
  - \* Generally needs to be more organized. Sign in with names and contact information.
  
- \* CQNW's presence at Darwin Day allowed kids to connect between camps. We also recruited a staff member from the event.

\* Lou: It would be less stressful if we could find something entertaining to do with older kids. Lou needs help arranging everything.

\* What do we need/want from SA: Planning help, accurate kid RSVP. Make an announcement about age limit (must be toilet trained). Confirmation about location. Schedule of events for the day.

\* Becky: It's good to have a craft the kids can take home.

\* Michael and Chuck can help.

### **Programming Committee Meeting:**

\* Monday, December 23, at 4 pm. Location: The Swiss in Tacoma

\* Chuck and Becky.

### **Reminder of 2014 Camp Kirby Dates:**

\* Reserved: August 9-17

\* Camp: August 10-16

**Next Meeting: Monday, January 20, 2014**

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**End time: 9:11pm**