

Camp Quest NorthWest meeting minutes

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

Tuesday, July 31, 2018, 6:30pm

Board Members in attendance:

President – Chuck Wolber

Vice President – Michael Warbington

Treasurer – Kathy Amadio

Secretary – Jami Gramore

Members at Large – Phil Cole, Meg Colburn, Bridget Lombardo

Others in attendance: Sharon Zolnowsky, Megan Jackson, Lily, Asher, Andrea, Ben Frey

Meeting Minutes:

Start time: 7:17 pm

Consent Agenda for 6/7/2018 meeting was approved without objections.

Registration Committee Report:

* 75 campers, 22 of which are LTs.

* Everyone is paid, and Kathy sent the camper packets. Still waiting on some drop-off/pick-up information from families.

Staffing Committee Report:

* 36 staff total. 6 of them have not verified if they're coming.

* Some people still haven't finished EOT.

Treasurer Report:

* Kathy emailed the budget to the Board. Explained the \$17k deficit on the budget (with follow-up clarification via email).

Programming Committee Report:

* Running the same program as June with adjustments for greater number of campers.

* Need more Squid Ink Salespeople. More people volunteered at the meeting.

* Some changes to morning rotation from years past. Friday: Monte Hall program. Monday and Tuesday: 2 pods at a time so we can do the beach walk at optimal tide. Six pod groups instead of five.

* Thursday: bridge testing activity. We still need a mechanism to weigh them down and not break the mechanism.

* Picture show Saturday morning.

* Skit practice. Squid Ink Salespeople selling products during practice. Campers will talk about whether they believe it or are skeptical. They can then either make an advertisement for the product, or a public service announcement warning against it.

* No nature walk. We will have a beach walk, and we will also do western landscape sketching. Selected sketches can be displayed on promotional CQNW media.

Grants Committee Report:

* Nothing new to report.

Other News:

* Michael reminded the Board about being careful with sharing information about a camper outside of camp. The Board agreed that a specific incident from the June session was handled correctly, and will make additional clarifications on this subject for future documents.

* Location of first camp session in 2019: Chuck said we're penciled in for the Fourth of July week at Camp Waskowitz in Issaquah.

* Want to create a leadership track for future senior CQ leaders. Mentorship program. Formalize the system.

* The Board went over a suggested protocol for Facebook chat, radios, cell phones, etc.

* We need another lifeguard. Chuck will contact Kirby and see if we can use one of their staff.

* Meg's suggestion for future planning retreats: Have one retreat in the fall, and then another retreat in spring to test-run the programs and work out the details.

* Michael talked to Kim Newton about doing a national theme for Camp Quest. He'll be presenting these ideas at the National Leadership Summit. He would like to create a National Programming Committee. Part of the time would be spent asking what camps are looking for from such a committee. Another hour would serve as the first meeting of that committee to brainstorm and lay out a timeline. In the fall, CQNW could have a leadership retreat that works on team-building, ice breakers, and a little bit of program brainstorming. Could have the fall retreat at Paul's cabin.

Important Date:

Second Camp Session: August 12 - 18, 2018 (staff: August 11 - 19, 2018)

Next Board Meeting:

August 29, 2018 at 6:30pm

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

End time: 8:49 pm