

Camp Quest NorthWest meeting minutes

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

Tuesday, March 19, 2019, 6:30pm

Board Members in attendance:

President – Chuck Wolber

Vice President – Michael Warbington

Treasurer – Kathy Amadio

Secretary – Jami Gramore

Members at Large – Andrea Kunkle, Phil Cole, Meg Colburn

Others in attendance: Ben Frey (via tele-conference), Sharon Zolnowsky (via tele-conference), Sebastian Dorrance, Asher Matthews, Theo Cockrill

Meeting Minutes:

Start time: 7:19 pm

Approving 2/21/2019 meeting minutes:

* **Consent Agenda** for 2/21/2019 meeting was approved without objections.

CQ Patches

* The patches are finished. Mike brought them to the meeting. They look great! Price: \$5 each.

Programming, Planning Retreat:

* Mike sent out an email to attendees with all the details:

WHERE!

The planning retreat will be at our new host site at **Camp Waskowitz**, which should be super easy to get to. From the Seattle area follow I-90 East to exit 34, take two right turns and you're there! If you need the address, it's located here!

45505 SE 150th St
North Bend, WA 98045

WHEN:

Arrival time is between 3PM to 5PM on Friday, March 22nd. Please don't arrive any earlier than 3PM, as we don't want to interfere with our hosts or the previous group before our scheduled arrival time.

Dinner will be served to us at 5PM Friday evening. Planned activities will begin after dinner at about 7PM.

Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be prepared for us on Saturday, in addition to breakfast on Sunday. We will depart camp after cleaning up before noon on Sunday, March 24th.

WHAT TO BRING!

- Our sleeping accommodations will be similar to what we're used to at Camp Kirby, so bring a sleeping bag, pillow, or other bedding that you will find comfortable. You may also choose to bring a foam or inflatable mattress pad.

- Clothing for two days and nights. While we've had some warm weather lately, expect the sunshine to turn to rain and drizzle by the weekend. Prepare for mud and rain and bring rain gear, extra socks and shoes, and warm layers.
- Personal hygiene items, including a bath towel.
- Chargers for your electronics devices.
- A camera if you have one that you'd like to use to take photos to share of our volunteers and our lovely new camp location.
- Board games, card games, or other recreation items.
- Snacks! Please bring a snack or non-alcoholic beverages to share.
- Please DO NOT BRING any alcohol or controlled substance. Camp Waskowitz is operated by Highline Public Schools, so these substances are strictly prohibited.

HOW TO PREPARE!

We're going to be discussing this year's camp theme of "Star Quest" and how we can implement it at camp. Bring your ideas for any programs that you might have in mind that you want to collaborate on.

We're also going to be spending some time discussing ideas for future camp themes, so if you have an idea in mind that you'd like us to consider for the 2020 camp season or beyond, please prepare a few sentences about it to get people excited and onboard!

ALSO!

Most of you should be receiving an invitation with a login for your new Camp Quest Intranet account! This is a way for us to collaborate on programs, keep up to date on events, and talk Camp with other volunteers at CQNW and other Camps Quest! Once you've logged in, [this link](#) will connect you to the Camp Quest NorthWest Forum, which we may have an opportunity to test out at the Planning Retreat! We're looking for your feedback on this, so let Meg over at [Staffing](#) know what you think. Also please let her know if you have any questions or issues with connecting.

* Will be spending a good part of it exploring the camp grounds, taking pictures, and incorporating it into the programming.

Staffing Update:

* We need more staff for July. We want at least 15. August is looking good.

* Meg C will reach out again to the SSA. The Board talked about other advertising/reaching out for staff.

Registration:

* July: 27 (6 new registrations for July since end of Feb - 3 families). Aug: 79. 1 July moved to August.

* Kathy signed CQNW up to offer a spot for Aug or July session for the MAAF sponsored campership. She'll put Aug on waitlist to reserve remaining spot.

* Just passed the half way mark for July.

* Discussed suggestion about emailing LT registrants. Send LTs to different session, would work better with programming and staffing.

Grants:

* 7 campership applications outstanding to be reviewed (totaling \$3600)

* For July - 5 campers

* For Aug - 2 campers

* Remaining budget (\$2850)

* Still need to review to see how many are already registered vs. not.

Treasurer's Report:

* No updates – Kathy will send balance sheet this week.

Policy Committee:

* The committee has met several times, and we have policies. The committee is trying to find the right balance between specificity and covering a wider range of situations. For example, a policy about having a clear frame of mind, which broadly can include drugs and/or a lack of sleep. Should there be two separate policies, or should one policy cover both kinds of situations?

* Other people were interested in volunteering on the Policy Committee. Phil explained how policy meetings are run.

Important Dates:

* Planning Retreat: March 22 – 24 at Camp Waskowitz

* First 2019 session: Camp: June 30 – July 6 (Staff: June 29 – July 7)

* Second 2019 session: Camp: August 11 – 17 (Staff: August 10 – 18)

Next Board Meeting:

April 23, 2019 at 6:30pm

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

End time: 8:17 pm