

Meeting at the Frees
January 1-31-09

Present: Jeff Lair, John Free, Scott Laird, Bill Goben, Kelvin Hoover, Mike Monday, Bruce Blacketter, Chris Crooks, Bob Currie, Gage Myers

Meeting called to order at 10:12 am
Jeff Lair led the group in prayer

I. Approval of minutes... The meeting minutes from our last meeting stand approved as mailed out.
II. Director's Report:

A. Sojourners... Richard and Shirley Hames will be leading a group of workers for a three week visit in 2009
B. Maintenance staff additions for 2009

1. W.A. and Joann Meek plan to be at the camp by water turn on (phone # 325-998-3705)
2. Larry and Joy Simpson plan to be at the camp to work in July (Phone # 817-444-3815) (beginning with the Elementary Camp.. the 11th)
3. Bruce B. will contact these volunteers and visit with them concerning expectations

C. Child safety

1. Challenge: Kid campers dropped off before the camp staff is in place...leaving the possibility for problems associated with unsupervised children
2. Jeff Lair and Kelvin Hoover will work in this procedure and forward their recommendations to the rest of the board.
 - a. The procedure will include the delivering chaperones/drivers expectations
 - b. The expectations that we discussed: these chaperones will be responsible for their kids until they are signed in
 - c. The registrar will be given the information and asked to include the procedure in with return receipt

D. Darren Philpotts

1. Mike O'Rourke drafted a letter to be sent to the parents of children that attended camps where Darren Philpotts was on staff.
2. The Board reviewed and revised this letter. A final draft will be forwarded to the Board by Scott Laird for approval.
3. Before the letter is sent out to parents it will be reviewed by a legal professional.

E. Musical groups

1. The current policy is for camp managers to take responsibility for overseeing the content of the musical venues
2. The policy will remain as is

F. Miscellaneous camp fees...Cabin rental (per night, as available)

1. The USFS charges \$45 per night for cabin rentals in the area
2. The Board agreed that a \$45 per night/per cabin was reasonable
3. The primary policy is to refuse rental requests, however, the Director has been given discretion to open cabin rental when it is deemed appropriate by him.

III. Financial Report

- A. Furniture fund was not touched
- B. Barn roof project came in under budget
- C. Motion made to accept the financial report...and seconded...passed w/o objection

IV. Facilities Manager Report

A. Projects

1. Fire Safety Compliance

- a. Egress windows in barn
- b. Exits...lights and proper swings for doors
- c. Hood cleaning in the kitchen by a qualified tech.
- d. Fireproof box for storing gas cans

2. Stairs up the hill to the Barn: Bruce is investigating avenues. One option Bruce is looking into is to build wooden stairs above ground like the Park Service has done in Yellowstone N.P.

3. Steel Roofing: Bruce will look into scheduling steel to be installed on the Cottonwood and Poplar cabins during work camp.

B. Bruce will investigate the chimneys on the King to see about utilizing the fireplace w/insert and getting rid of the wood stove and chimney.

C. Electrical Company did pull the new service line in

1. There is a possibility that they damaged the exit of the septic tank up by the RV park
2. Bob Currie will make arrangements to get the exit pipe inspected

D. Bob Curry report

1. Bob put together a compilation of 10 years of major improvements at the camp
2. A Note: Anderson Concrete...mentioned to Bob that he would be interested in making a contribution/donation toward future septic system improvements.
3. Bob reminded the Board of the need to compile a catalog of cabin repairs and a schedule of future cabin maintenance work.

V. Cooks/Food

A. The cooks' recommendations were reviewed

B. Food policies concerning campers & Staff with special food needs will be decided at our next meeting (Apr 25, 09)

C. All decisions relating to camp cooks and food will be discussed in April

VI. Miscellaneous

A. Bob Currie submitted his resignation from the YBC Board

B. Picnic tables... Bruce Blacketter will look into options for picnic tables for extra seating

C. Get more people to camp...Jeff Lair encouraged:

1. Brainstorm ways to get people to the camp (father/son weekend etc.)
2. Push Work Camp
3. Assemble a video or PowerPoint presentation to be viewed at different state gatherings, etc. (Bill Goben and Bruce Blacketter agreed to work on the presentation)
4. Hand out youth applications at youth rallies

Respectfully submitted,
Gage Myers



**Our next board meeting will be held on April 25th at the Camp.
Water turn on will be May 16th**