

Winter Camp Future Society

Winter Camp XXXV – December 31, 2011

Members present: Mark-->Bollman, Keith King, Steve Donohue, Doug Wilson, Jeff Rand, Gabe Church, Ethan Rein, Joe Warren

Follow up from previous meeting: \$3,000 spent after Winter Camp XXXIV. \$1,000 from Winter Camp XXXV dues and interest earned. \$2,000 contributed through a match from Jackson National Life Insurance Company.

\$1,000 was used for a James West fellowship in Harold Oatley's name. \$1,000 was supposed to go to the Mahican chapter. \$1,000 was supposed to be used for camp improvement. We used about \$400 for the new hot water heater and about \$400 for Winter Camp XXXV t-shirts (to be distributed at breakfast on December 31). The shirts are passed out based on the kitchen sign up sheets. Those who didn't help in the kitchen will get last choice of shirt sizes.

The \$2,000 non-endowment part of the donation was given the Council and all put in a camp improvement fund. Steve is working with Lodge Treasurer Adviser Mark Elias and Chapter Adviser Phil Emma to straighten out remaining funds.

We discussed using the remaining funds for sponsor a service weekend in Beaver Creek Camp. The primary project will be to replace the stairs near Beaver Creek Cabin. We may also work on the stairs going from the road up to Beaver Lake. Another project may be to secure or improve the storage in the BC attic. The last week in June is the target for the weekend.

WCFS Leadership – Terms are in force for five more years (through Winter Camp XL)

Class of XL – Dues will be \$36.36 (adult cost for Winter Camp XXX) or \$30.30 (youth cost for Winter Camp XXX). Someone must check to see which corresponds to WCFS dues. We agreed to accept dues through Leap Day 2012. Steve will send a note out to WCFS members encouraging them to sign up for the new class. Dues should be sent to Treasurer Ron Donohue.

Camperships – 5 camperships were provided this year by donations. Steve reminded potential participants of their availability when discussing Winter Camp.

Storage – We decided to put most of the Winter Camp storage bins in the attic. This is a change from recent practice.

Decorations – Some of the art work that we left in past year (beach photo over the coat hooks, roman building near the furnace, fancy waiters in the kitchen) have been removed.

Planning Follow through – The flaming arrow display left acampers disappointed given the pre-camp discussion of a hydrogen balloon.

Smokers – All smokers were 18 or older and did not smoke in the presence of youth campers.

Trading Post – Mark--> reported the \$.25 increase (for candy and pop) has not had a impact on sale volume.

Rides Home – Some parents need to be called, but the ride home count looks good. (Follow up – there was no problem getting everyone home from Camp)

Promotion – Steve's emails seemed to get the message out. Attendace was good this year given the current size of the chapter and participation in activities.

Winter Camp XXXV program and meals – Both were successful. Fried rice and dough recipes need work in the meals database.

Relationship with Chapter – The new lodge has abandoned the annual practice of allotting chapter money which disappears at year's end. This means we should expect less financial support from the chapter when it's looking to spend its final money before it goes away. New chapter adviser Phil Emma is very encouraging to the Winter Camp Program. Steve reported his interest level to be similar to past chapter adviser Jeff Lang's.