

Fire Mountain Alumni Meeting

March 21, 2022

In attendance: Dave Henrichsen, Wendy Chambers, Lynn Strub, Cari Burdette, Sven Gilkey, Brian Bianco, Danny Lee, JoLynn Garrett

Approval of February Annual meeting minutes: Move to approve – Cari, no opposition. Minutes approved.

Calendar now updated to include the Zoom link; good until 2025. Goal of quarterly live social events during the year.

Focus this meeting is financial – Budget for the rest of the year:

New items – flagpole \$5k, museum \$2k, sailboat was paid for in 2021 – fundraising still ongoing; many items carried over from PY. Maynard to make wooden faced, magnetic name badges – cost of magnets \$0.30-0.50 each. Maynard found packs of magnets \$8.54 for 20 count.

Uniform bank – what is needed: smaller sizes, females specifically, for the shorts and pants. JoLynn to do the purchasing with the current budget dollars.

Lynn to get items purchased by Alumni credited by Emily corrected.

Budget for alumni day and alumni reunion anniversary days.

Alumni will have Fort Boeing for camping – Labor Day weekend. Lynn proposed \$400 for the budget. Added to budget.

Council has a budget as well and should provide some funds for the museum. Per Lynn - \$500 is coming from council for calendar production.

Pat Smith may be willing to take on the selling of patches.

22 lifetime members at this time. Push for these during alumni days at camp.

On track to hit the \$10k goal for Hovis Memorial.

Scott Sukon is building fancy art toilet by entrance to camp – is up for this being dedicated “The Head of Jim Hovis”

Memorial service in July may bring in more donations and family/friends contributions.

The new covered, bricked plaza will not be ready until fall. The memorial can help people see where their dollars will settle.

Per Sven, Jim Hovis flag pole will be up for summer camp.

Alumni Assoc – purchase a bench? There are some still available - \$1,000.

Push folks to go buy bricks. Alumni, past volunteers, family of past staffers

Funds on Hand:

Cameron Larsen – currently working on his Eagle Scout project

Pay for Henry Edge from crew account. JoLynn wants ideas to get the crew rolling. Crew meeting during summer camp.

Ed will be volunteering at Philmont at National BSA Museum this summer; getting the goods on how they run the museum, store stuff, etc. Currently Alumni will fund the \$2k museum budget. Ed is targeting donors for shelving, make funds from calendar sales. This year's calendar theme – before and after shots of camp for the anniversary.

Current museum layout includes a big staff-focused piece, with uniforms, pics.

Building out the website now. Adding more on staff promotion. Staff recruitment. Camp directors, scouting executives – idea to add bios on past folks.

How to offset that Lynn no longer gets a matching donation from Boeing? Are there other alumni/staff that have employers who match?

May 15, Sunday Camporee pancake breakfast – Tom Herwick to lead, Wendy to assist. Wendy to reach out to Tom to coordinate menu, price point, etc. Coordinate with John – RSVPs for Sunday breakfast. Dave to provide Mike from FSA's info for food ordering.

May 14, Volunteers to run events on Saturday – Ron Telford, Tina Meyer, ?????

May 14, Campfire Program for Saturday night – need a lead to coordinate this effort.

Historical trail is in progress. Looking for volunteers to clear it for camp. Bow saws, weed whack. Troop 3 can attack this in April.

Alumni communications – Lynn will check out MailChimp for this service so people can easily unsubscribe; requires template set ups; there is a free version for 2,000 sends per day or 10,000 per month; Sven can show what he built for North Cascades, they have used it, successfully, for awhile now. Goal would be a quarterly Alumni update.

Dave volunteered Wendy to write up a promo for Camporee, Memorial, 50th anniversary kick off, \$100 brick sales, Jim memorial fund – kybo & sailboat, volunteers to serve pancake breakfast or as volunteer commissioners during camp, Labor Day weekend celebration – save the date. And a “Here's what else is available at camp this summer.” Sven is working on a FM program guide for the year – Wendy volunteers to proof read.

Internet work continues in camp. New pole in camp – ugh, not so pretty. New connections in staff area. Adjustments to Knoll Lodge and Duplex. Plans for coverage at High Adventure and Fort Boeing are hinging on electrical. From fish shack to the tower to the fort...

Plans for a STEM shelter by the new maintenance building, too.

Sven is looking for 21+ waterfront beach director to send to camp school. Cope and climbing staff needed. Junior staff are looking great, but really need 18+ staff; one to one ratio required for over/under 18. Need some updated recruiting lingo to draw in those who are up for the challenge.

New camp guidelines coming out on April 1. Planning for Volunteer Commissioners this summer.

Troops can do swim checks before camp in a pool – register on BlackPug, per JoLynn.