

Annual Meeting

Alumni Association of the Northern Lights Camps

July 6, 2007

In Attendance: Matt Saari, Sara Hendrickson, Monte Fronk, Ron Elliot, Damian Lewis, Chris Soper, Jon Hendrickson, Steve Shark, Joseph Kieselbach, Bob Rezac, Kyle Becker, Jenny Fisher, Andy Kietzman, Tom Hall, Steve Lyman, Phil Schorn, Mike Melby Jack Golden, and Chad Swenson

Call to Order brought by Bill Beyer

Overview of parliamentary procedures by Kyle Becker

Officer Reports

Director 2 - Monte Fronk made an announcement that the Sportsman Club from his town has provided 10 new target rifles by Savage (\$500 a piece for a \$5000 donation) 8000 rounds from Reeds Sporting Goods

Director 1 - Steve Lyman reported that Cabin 3 has been built and rumors of Cabin 4

President - Bill Beyer commented on how we have accomplished a lot and are ever growing

Executive Secretary – Chad Swenson reported on the increase of the Web, the on-time mailings of the Aurora. The associations finance position – Balance at \$4638.83, roughly \$1700 after the cabin, \$900 in outstanding debt obligation. (T-shirt sales)

Achievement Award - Steve Shark made an announcement that there were 6 nominations for the Alumni Achievement Award and 1 after the deadline, which will be added to the 2008 nominations. Out of the 6 – one was a Board Member so an Ad-Hoc Committee was formed of seven members. 6 voted (should have mandated). The 2007 nominee is Les Herbranson who had been nominated by Steve Shark. Discussion was made over whether on needed to be re-nominated or if nominations should be carried over. Motion was carried in favor of carrying over nominations. A possibility of handing the award during the upcoming Fall Fellowship was brought up.

Spring Gathering – Matt Saari stated that the event occurred June 8-10th a week later. 6 Alumni members and spouses attended (Matt & Jodi Saari, Les & Barb Herbranson, Chad Swenson, and Monte Fronk and his family. As a project for the weekend the group continued working on the roof and siding of Cabin 3. About 20 attended a campfire that was held between the Alumni and the Staff as kind of a mixer. Another 40 took advantage of diner at Compañeros (Alumni contributed \$6 to each meal). Some points for next year – call much earlier for reservations at Compañeros, concern over the increased expectation of the staff of the Alumni paying the full tab, possibility of just Directors (or better count down), and a greeting letter from the Alumni Association to the incoming staff. (See report submitted by Matt)

Open House – Neil Litton reported that about 20 people signed the Open House book.

Membership – Chris Soper talked about the new levels and database. (26th)

- 74-members in good standing
- 54-lifetime memberships - paid in full
 - 2-lifetime memberships - \$50 left to pay
 - 3-lifetime memberships - \$100 left to pay
- 11-annual memberships
 - 4-gratis memberships
 - 9- lifetime memberships – not in good standing
 - 14-annual memberships – not in good standing
 - 9-unknown
 - 4-signed up on website – but no payments

Any new memberships or correspondences that shows up at the Fargo Scout Office is retrieved by Chad Swenson and scanned and sent to Chris. Membership cards are printed stating whether Lifetime or Annual Membership and sent out to the recipient.

Mailings: 45-50 Auroras mailed out (\$150 in postage)
110 mailed (camp staff - a)
4 delivered electronically via email
16 more opted for electronic after last mailing

Post cards were sent out as reminders of members request

Annual Rosters are available in the Black Building, Winter Trading Post, and at the Fargo Office

History Project (Ad-Hoc) – Bob Rezac stated that work is speeding up with the help of Chad have located sites and information. For next summer the plan is to have the History Trail up and running. Next year there is plans to add a history session to the Re-Union Week. John Hendrickson volunteered to help with the 2nd Edition of the History Book. The auction sale during the Open House raised \$190.

Changes to the Bylaws – Would like to add Staff Scholarship Fund to the list of standing committees as well as looking for a chairman. Bill Beyer informed the group how originally this Fund was organized and administered by Past Program Director Nate Trunnell. Proposal needs to be submitted in writing to the general membership prior to be voted upon. Discussion was made that when the next Aurora goes out to write that anyone interested in commenting on the pending change to the bylaws can call in to the conference call. Thus we would qualify according to our bylaws.

Project – (current project is Cabin 3)

- Blackfoot bathroom
- Move Cabin 15 to the cabin 4 location
- Scholarship Endowment Fund
- Landscaping around buildings – other aesthetics around camp

Vote by amount of money raised for project of choice

Tom Hall made the comment of the Electrical work this fall. Waiting for more funds to complete the project in the Trading Post/Quartermaster into a year around use building.

Cabin Project – Need a breakdown of budget for cabin 3 for Aurora

Elections –

Chris Soper made a nomination was made for the position of Executive Secretary for Damian Lewis. Phil Schorn made a motion to close nominations and was seconded by Mike Melby. Motion carried.

Chad Swenson made a nomination for the Board of Director position for Warren Tobin. Kyle Becker made a motion to close nominations and was seconded by Jack Golden. Motion carried.

Chad Swenson offered all existing Committee Chairman to continue their role for the following year. Also, Ron Elliot offered to head up the group who sends birthday cards to staff, Matt Saari remarked that he would like to be on the Scholarship Committee.

Monte made a motion to close the meeting, second by Kyle. Motion carried.

Belatedly submitted by Chad Swenson, Sunday, October 28, 2007