



Board Members and officers present: Ben Tarmann, Caleb Liggin, Suzanne Roth, David Sater, Denae Sink, Laura Alvarez, Britton Roth

Others present: Andy & Karen Diestelkamp, Mason Venuso, Justin Alvarez, Spencer & Rebecca Roth, Garrett & Hannah Roth, Orin Roth

The meeting was called to order at 1:07

Prayer: Justin Alvarez

**Old Business:**

**Minutes:** Emily Venuso read the December meeting minutes. Ben motioned to accept the minutes, David seconded. The minutes were approved.

**Financial Report:** Suzanne presented the financial report. Cards & Calendars raised about \$1779. Winterkamp raised \$1,776.76 and will be donated to the chapter soon. Trivia Night fees are starting to come in. Scholarships were also paid out this month. Denae motioned we approve the financial report. David seconded. The financial report was approved.

**Website Report:**

Laure, Caleb and Denae have been learning the backend of the website. They are working on creating pages to publish. They need updated photos of the board members and officers to update the website. There is an event page now, so if a committee or individual has an event they are running, they would like to put those on the event link. They are working on the board page and membership page as well. They have been discussing a publishing protocol for the website. The website committee will decide what photos and events are published, but the board may give feedback on it. Any who wants to submit something for publishing on the website needs to send it to Laura, Caleb and Denae. Andy asked that the website committee also add a scholarship tab.

**Trivia Night:** There should be over 100 people at the Trivia Night. We plan to have extra boxes to sell leftovers from dinner and desserts at the end of the night.

**Camp Report:**

66 staff applications are in, more than needed. Ben is working on finalizing the staff still. When that is all decided he will send an email out. They are thinking about doing another early camper registration, perhaps in late March. The camp fees were discussed briefly. Laura made a motion to not raise camp fees this year. David seconded. The motion was approved.

## **New Business**

### **Camp Director Committee:**

Caleb brought up that it may be good for us to set up a camp director committee to conduct surveys, set criteria for camp directors, etc. for the boards benefit to help in choosing a good camp director.

It was suggested to have a short application that interested individuals can fill out to help us know why someone is interested in the director position.

It would be in the camps best interest to use this method to appoint a co-director and then they have at least two years to learn the role of a camp director under the current director.

The board discussed and decided that the board itself should be the camp director committee, with separate meetings from the public board meetings to make decisions on the camp directors. It was clarified that the camp director is over camp but needs to share all the information/survey information, etc with the board. The board needs to have an annual time set to look at the data and discuss the camp director appointment.

**Upcoming Board Member Terms:** Matt Toomer & Ben Tarmann are the upcoming board members whose terms are ending in June. Both are willing to serve again. The board should continue to search for others who would be interested in becoming part of the board. We will gather nominations and depending on the number of nominations, we will vote on that in April.

Emily and Caleb will send an email out to the members about new board members and the April meeting.

### **Scholarship Committee:**

Scott, Curt and Andy are the standing committee. Andy will make sure Curt & Scott are still willing.

Emily brought up the request from FC that the Scholarship committee be willing to bump the submission date up to July 15th. Andy said that may be possible and will talk to Curt and Scott.

### **Safety Committee:**

The safety committee is Justin, Ben, Orin, Rebekah and Curt. They discussed what threats could possibly happen (fire, storms, intruders) while at camp and talked about some of our procedures to handle those possible threats. They will be meeting with the camp ground manager, Tim Kuntz and the DeWitt county director of EMA, Will Paveleck and talk over the plan. They hope to lay out a plan by June.

### **Annual Meeting:**

The Annual Meeting for the Chapter is upcoming. It has been suggested that we do it along with the board meeting on Saturday, April 18th. Potluck lunch will be at 12pm. We will have the Annual Chapter meeting at 1pm and the Board meeting at 2pm. Location will be determined later.

The annual meeting is when we appoint new board members and when any by-laws are changed.

*Next Meeting:* The next board meeting is set for Saturday April 18th in person.

Caleb motioned to end the meeting. David seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 2:26.

Minutes submitted by Emily Venuso