

Minutes from Longhouse meeting 9/28/09 @ Marion Library

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Dave Coughlin took roll call for the boys. Carl Clore took roll call for the girls.

Kevin Schrader gave the Treasurers report. We sold 671 snow cones at the Swamp Fox Festival. We deposited \$626.16 into our checking account. If anyone has any receipts to be reimbursed for items purchased related to Swamp Fox get them turned in ASAP as we need to cut a check for 10% of profits to the Swamp Fox Festival. Our opening account balance was \$782.19. Our closing balance was \$1,481.98.

Donald Hansen presented minutes from the August 31, 2009 longhouse. Minutes were approved as presented.

Fall camp out. Carl started with the girls camp out this weekend. The campout is good to go. Items are pretty well set. We do need volunteers for four games yet. Kiowa volunteered to take the basketball free throw, Hopi volunteered to take the Grand Prize Game, Apache volunteered to take the bean bag toss. We did not get a volunteer for Lodge bowling. Carl stressed the importance of Navigators to get there honor points turned in ASAP. Honor points will determine the line up order and marching order. Please email Carl any recruitment patch requests and elder patch requests. Please don't forget your can food item donations. All Circles will be camping on Saturday night. See the web site for a map to camp as well as a list of items to bring to camp out. Individuals may feel free to come to camp anytime Saturday morning. Greeters will be available at 11:00 a.m. Cabins will be open all day. We have 137 registered for the Girls Fall campout. Carl will get the welcome banner from Bill for camp this weekend.

Donald Hansen reported that we are in the process of forming a new circle that will have a mix of moms/daughters as well as a few dads/daughters. If you know of any mom/daughters interested in joining please contact Donald or email him at uaydhansen@yahoo.com they will be having an organizational meeting on Sunday, October 18.

Dave Coughlin reported on the upcoming boys campout. The boys have 142 registered for the fall campout. The fall agenda is done. Please don't forget the canned food donations. Individuals can come out anytime Saturday morning. Greeters will be available starting at 11:00 a.m. Dave ordered a charger for the speakers. He will get the charger to Carl this week. The speakers are still out at camp. The boys all will camp Saturday night. Let Dave know how many recruitment and elder patches you need. Pictures of the Circles will be done at the spring campout.

The Mosquito Circle is bringing a new item to camp this year. It is a gourd launcher. Don Enger will check to make sure we can have this event. We will plan on having demonstrations Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m.

Donald Hansen reported that the activity patches for the year have been ordered. Donald will bring the Hawkeye Nation and Fall campout patches, bear claws, and beads to camp.

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Reminder, if you bring pumpkins in for pumpkin judging make sure you take them out. New member patches and red feathers are available tonight. They will continue to be available at the longhouse meetings during the course of the year as well as via mail.

Don Enger put out reminders not to put tape on the floor of the lodge. Painters tape should be ok. Don't want to destroy the finish of the floor. For the Circles setting up Frisbee golf, stay away from the archery range. For the bell next to the dining hall, please try and keep the kids away from ringing it all through camp. Reserve it to dinner call. If a Circle is planning on leaving early, please let the kitchen staff know so they can adjust food preparation. Reminder camp is alcohol/tobacco free. Keep fires in the fire ring. Please keep H1Ni in mind, if you feel sick or your child is sick please stay home. This flu spreads quickly and could easily effect all in attendance.

Camp clean up is this Sunday from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Please let Don Enger know what Circles will be coming to help so they can set up projects in advance.

In November we will have our bowling event. The boys circle will bowl on Sunday, November 8 from 12:30 – 2:00. The Grey Fox will work the check in table. The girls circles will bowl on Sunday, November 15 from 12:30 – 2:00. The Cherokee will work the check in table.

The night with the Cedar Rapids Roughriders has been set for Saturday, January 23. Kids who want can skate with the players after the game. Kids do not need to know how to skate, only rent skates and the players will take them out on the ice. This is the night before the winter carnival but the only other option was October 31.

Marketing report. Bill was absent tonight. Great job this year Bill and everyone else who recruited new members. Your efforts were well rewarded with new members. We will allow new members to come in any time during the year. Our main push will still remain in August/September. Dues will not be prorated during the year to keep from confusing staff at the YMCA. If dues are an issue have the potential member contact an officer.

Carl is interested in putting together a task force to look at improvements for the derby car race. The Mosquito Navigator works for Blue Sky Productions and is taking on the computer and display for this springs derby event.

Old Business. Great job everyone on Swamp Fox Festival. This fundraiser was another huge success! Dave Coughlin is looking for a Circle to take over the setup of the sno cone event for Swamp Fox Festival. Dave recommended that we do away with Friday night if possible since we only sold 61 cones that night, the majority to the members working.

Trailguides program was not in attendance tonight. There next event is Friday, October 23 at Knights Pumpkin Farm with a hayrack ride and bonfire.

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The next longhouse meeting will be Monday, November 2 at 7:00 p.m. at the Marion Library.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.