

Activities and Civic Service Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 14, 2009 7:00 p.m.

Council Service Center in Orem

In attendance: Maughn Pearson (Chair), Jeff Smith (Squaw Peak), Randy Mansfield (Alpine), Martin Chatterley (Wasatch), Simon Li (Fort Utah), Kip Buckner (Council Varsity/Venturing), Ethan Lowe (Council Venturing Officers Association), Delanie Law (Activities Committee), Byron Moos (Blackhawk), Stephen Bunker (Rock Canyon), Gerald Carter (Rock Canyon – Varsity Committee), Kathy Worthen (VP – Program), Mark Baldwin (District Executive), Jeff Peery (District Executive), John Gailey

1. Maughn Pearson welcomed all in attendance.
2. Scout Oath and Law led by Jeff Smith.
3. Prayer given by Steven Bunker.
4. Jeralyn Merrill was excused. Maughn stated that she will be available to assist districts on understanding and planning their own Centennial Camporee using the program defined by this committee.
5. Kip Buckner announced that Andy Gibbons is the new Varsity Committee Chair, replacing Kip going forward.
6. Ethan Lowe announced that they will be holding a Venturing Biathlon around January. This is a council-wide event. Also the council VOA is in the process of putting together a presentation and DVD that will go out to the districts on how to run a VOA and ways to improve the Venturing program.
7. John introduced to the committee that for the centennial year, we encourage all districts to participate in their local community events. The council has approached the Freedom Festival concerning Scouts being involved and they really love the idea. We could easily get 10,000 Scouts involved in this event alone – and would include all events within the Freedom Festival. We encourage all districts in the Utah County area to plan to participate in the Freedom Festival, as well as in their local community events. We are also looking into building one or more parade floats that could be used by districts for this purpose. Also look for opportunities to suggest parade grand marshals, speakers, dignitaries, etc. to be included in the community events.
8. John introduced a proposal for activity patch set that will coordinate with the other council patches during the centennial year (2010). The group agreed on the concept and John will move forward with the artwork.
9. Randy and Martin reviewed the plan for the Centennial Camporal (working name). We need to promote early the dates (October 14-16, 2010) so that units and districts can plan. This is during the

fall break for many school districts. Many activities will be offered for Scout-aged youth. Each youth will be able to pick three activities. There will be activities for the leaders as well. A discussion was held on how we could involve non-Scouts (i.e. public). Various options were discussed and the sub-committee will discuss it further and bring back recommendations. Key needs are: 1) districts need to select multiple activities to host in the Centennial Camporal and what Scouting family it targets (except Cub Scouting), 2) people to help on non-activities at the Centennial Camporal. One suggestion was made that districts sponsor three activities – one for Scouting, one for Varsity, one for Venturing. This would encourage more Venturing and Varsity units to attend. Another suggestion was to have subcamps that held units from all over, rather than by geographic region.

10. Randy asked the VOA to look into three things; 1) We want to make sure that we have a Venturing-focused booth or two at the Centennial Camporal “Expo”, 2) We would like to have a Venturer village, where anyone can go and learn more about Venturing, 3) How should we organize the Venturing subcamp where crews would be camping?
11. It is very important for all districts to communicate this date to their units so they can plan. We hope that districts would replace their 2010 fall activities with the Centennial Camporal.
12. Kip Buckner closed with a prayer.

New Assignments from This Meeting:

- Kathy Worthen will follow up with Stephanie Meldrum to verify her participation with this committee.
- Maughn to follow up with Clark Hill in the Uintah Basin on their interest for the Centennial Camporal.
- John to begin work on the activity patch series artwork.
- Districts to select 3 activities to “host” in the Centennial Camporal. Please submit these by the end of October to Randy Mansfield (randymansfield@hotmail.com or 801-310-1957). Also select locations for your events. If you would like suggestions or help, contact Martin Chatterley (cmartin7@msn.com or 435-657-9665)
- Everyone to identify and recruit anyone who may be interested in helping to organize and plan the Centennial Camporal.
- VOA to begin work on item #10 above concerning Venturing needs for the Centennial Camporal.

As there was no further business, this concludes the minutes.
Respectfully submitted,

Maughn Pearson, Committee Chair
John Gailey, Professional Advisor

* Remember: Our next regular Activities and Civic Service Committee Meeting will be **Wednesday, November 11**, 2009, 7:00 P.M.