Greater Northwest FC Summer Camp Admin Meeting

Sunday, February 16, 2014

Attendees: Donnie Fermenick, Mandy Fermenick, Nathanael May, Rochelle Brown, Kathy Carpenter, and Stacey Giles

CDC Review

Registration Online

- Online Registration a priority this year
- Mandy to set this program up
- Registration will utilize a PayPal account to pay for camp
- This will be the only way to register for camp – very few exceptions if any
- Stacey to set up PayPal account when program is ready to implement
- Rochelle to send template to Mandy on what she will need from the program registration
- Deadline – February 28 for Beta Version

Counselor Apps and Training

- Donnie has revamped our current application using Dry Creek Camp's counselor application as a template
- Current draft is 3 pages, Donnie to narrow it down to a 2 page application
- Rather than specific task indicators request information on general skill sets
- Possible future counselor applications to go out in September and have selection of counselors in October, thus enabling our admin team to have more training sessions for counselors
- 2 mandatory meetings will be facilitated for camp 2014 (to enhance training)
- A big need for increased training for counselors

Closed Campus

- Donnie suggested we close campus Sunday evening to Friday evening, thus not allowing Wednesday evening visitors/guests to come for Bible class
- Closed campus makes security easier
- Closed campus will help minimize safety issues and liability issues
- Publish clearly as this will be a huge culture change
- Motivation for this is to put the safety of the children as number one priority
- Kathy questioned inconsistency in opening campus on Friday night for "talent show" guests, but not allowing Wednesday Bible class guests
- Kathy Motioned – We make the Camp a CLOSED CAMPUS, but open it up for the Friday evening event with an established a visitor's protocol (at a later meeting we can set the protocol) to insure safety of our campers. Stacey seconded the motion. All voted YES.

Evening Events

- Sunday –An event that allows cabins meet/bond/compete with other cabins (rather than meeting with societies the campers meet their cabin mates and cabin counselors for the first event of the week)
- Monday – Safari/Scavenger Hunt
- Tuesday – All Camp Video
- Wednesday – Movie Night
- Thursday – Capture the Flag (add a counselor team to the mix)
- Friday – Talent Show

FC Promotion

- Rather than a one night “event” the directors want to promote FC in small segments all week
- Camp Friends have been asked to produce a video, “A Life In The Day At FC”, while they are still at FC so that they can present it at camp
- Also FC is making an introductory video that we can utilize