

CSCAA Annual Meeting

August 2, 2023

Present: Jeremiah Rasca, Jo Jablo, Chelsea McGough, Scott Zager, Amanda Hampton, Becca LaFramboise, Heather Zager, Bryan Zager, Joel Woodcock, Mark Mistkawi, Emily Witczak, Erin Chambers, Adriane Chodnowsky, Nick Benevidez, Matt Hagan, Connie Strong, Sue Hudkins, Chuck Hudkins, Jerry Woodcock, Vik Lipert, Bill Messer, Eric Olsen, Guy Greider, Jim Trett, Nancy Zavacki, Kris Russom , (Hornet), Johanna Burgess, Kai Markel, Abigail Hastings-Tharp, Heidi Jo Grubbs, Jevin Johnson, Keller McGough, Jocelyn Church, Sydney Smith, Damon McGee, Ayden Hupp, Star Flansburgh, Tayllor Barnes, Lily DeSantis.

The meeting convened at 7 pm. Invocation was given by Joel Woodcock. Everyone introduced themselves.

Erin gave a brief camp report. Camp is going well this summer. More than 930 campers will attend camp this summer, with 38 families at Family Camps. Over \$29,000 has been raised in Camperships.

Adriene also spoke about camp this summer. She also felt it was going well. All of the program staff were new to their positions this summer, so there were a few growing pains, but they have been resolved. She thanked the CSCAA for all of their help in preparing for camp; the construction of the new chapel and other workday projects, the purchase of fish, the complete fulfillment of their wish list, and the members who have come to camp to help out in various ways.

Jerry gave a brief report on the Golf tournament, held on July 24. It was a great success, and everyone seemed to have a good time. We do not have the final figures yet, but we have raised north of \$30,000 for Camperships. In the 26 years of this tournament, over \$500,000 has been raised and donated to help kids experience Camp Silver Creek.

Connie gave a report of the Workday, held June 3rd. A big thank you to the 63 people who showed up to help out workday. Special thanks to Cliff for helping her organize the day. Vic was the MVP of the day for overseeing the chapel construction project; all new benches were installed in the chapel, the pool was cleaned out and sanded, weed whacking was performed all over camp.

Jeremiah gave a brief financial report. Currently we have about \$20,000 in liquid funds, with \$8000 of that available. A Venmo account has been established for anyone who wishes to donate.

Jeremiah and Connie then addressed the proposed amendments to the By-Laws. A huge thanks to Connie for all of her work on updating these. As the board talked about installing new members at this meeting, it was pointed out that according to the by-laws

we had not met the required 30 days prior notification of potential new members. This rule has been ignored the last couple of years as we struggled to revive the association following COVID. The board agreed that it was time to start adhering to this requirement, so no new board members will be added this year. We will maintain a number greater than required on the board so we will be in compliance. Several members needed to be approved to serve their second term. A motion was made, seconded and passed to do so.

A slate of officers was proposed as following:

Chairperson – Jeremiah Rasca
Vice-chairperson – Becca LaFramboise
Secretary – Jo Jablo
Treasurer – Connie Strong.

This slated was moved, seconded and passed.

There was a brief discussion regarding the proposed changes to the by-laws. At recent meetings, some board members have expressed interest in making other changes. Jeremiah reminded us that what we were voting on now was only the changes that had been proposed by Connie in the draft she sent out earlier. One important addition to the by-laws was the adding of a “camp staff” person (and an alternate) to the Board for a one-year position. This person will be chosen by the staff under the direction of the camp director from the previous summer’s staff. This position will have a single vote on the Board. Other issues, particularly the reorganization of an Advisory Board, will be addressed at the fall meeting. It was moved, seconded and passed by a 2/3 majority of ALL alumni present.

Jeremiah then opened up the floor for a brief brainstorming session on potential issues/projects for the CSCAA to focus on in the coming year. There were listed as follows:

- Historical donations (i.e. Rotholt leadership) be reinstated
- Staff get-togethers in the off season
- A new huckleberry bush
- Endowment data
- A push to let people know about scholarships
- Create larger goals, i.e. a new pool
- Create a committee to search for grants
- Reinstated international staffing
- Create a 5 – 10 yr. maintenance plan
- Have CSCAA come to staff training
- Run a Capitol Campaign
- Offer mentorships
- Start to plan 100th anniversary

- Additional work projects/days
- Hire a youth behavior specialist
- Use expansion outreach
- Increase Instagram presence
- Add family campers to CSCAA
- Send a letter to current camp staff

Jeremiah then presented the Heart and Soul Awards. This year they went to Guy Greider and Jim Trett, two gentlemen who have given in countless ways over the years to Camp Silver Creek.

Proposed dates for the meeting for the upcoming year were shared. (11/15/2023, 2/15/2024, 5/15/2024)

The meeting was adjourned.