

CSCAA Quarterly Meeting

February 12, 2025

Present: Venessa Fiedler, Cliff Lawrence, Connie Strong, Syvan Adams, Jo Jablo, Guy Greider, Jim Trett, Robert Braendle, Kai Markle, Max Wilder, Maddie Haddon, Vic Lippert

Via Zoom: Nancy Zavacki, Jerry Woodcock, Adrienne Chodnowsky, Johanna Burgess, John Ross

Jim called the meeting to order and introductions were made.

Robert shared the status of the banking change. We are waiting on the Y for some legal papers, but it should be done by the next meeting. He was unsure of the balance in our current account.

Guy updated us on the pool situation. He shared a packet of emails detailing everything that has happened so far. Currently, we are waiting for the Camp Silver Creek Reinvestment team to meet and report on the status of the camp. This could take awhile. Concerns about the nesting season of the Northern Spotted Owl also need to be taken into consideration. The upshot is there will NOT be a pool constructed by the summer. He also noted that we need to have the money ready to dig as soon as we get permission. A calendar needs to be made reflecting all these steps so we know when to start fund raising.

Jerry gave an update on the Golf Tournament. It went well and over \$44,600 was raised for camp scholarships. This year's tournament will take place on July 14, 2025 at Creekside Golf Course. Please mark your calendars.

Venessa and Adrienne talked about the status of camp. Registration opened three weeks ago and it is 35% full all ready. They encouraged all of us to help push the word out. Notice of staff job postings just went out on social media so hiring will begin soon. Syvon Adams has been selected as the CSCAA camp staff representative for this year.

Adrienne and Maddie announced that this year's Roth Holz award winners were announced. They are two long time campers and are both really excited. Adrienne pointed out the new branding icons (for both camps) they have developed and are currently using in all marketing. Jo said she had seen them and really like them.

The next "new" project they are planning to start is an online store with merchandise for both camps.

Venessa mentioned that she will be meeting with leaders from Salem Refugee to discuss ways to get more of their kids at camp.

Jim said that it is time for nominations for the Heart & Soul award to be made. Cliff volunteered to help him on this project. Anyone can make a nomination; final decision is made by former awardees. Jo said she will sent out an email regarding this.

Cliff asked about reviving other awards that had existed in the past. The Roth Holz (which has been revived) The Peavy, recognition of outgoing officers, etc. He also asked about specific project

leaders would be named. (i.e. the Work Day) This led to a brief discussion that ended with Jim announcing that Connie and Vic would head up the Work Day this year.

Finally, Jerry shared his thoughts and remembrances of Mike Smith, a former Camp Silver Creek camper, staff and supporter and one of the founders of the CSCAA, who passed away October 15, 2024. He said that there will be a new award in his honor that will be given to the staff person showing the most enthusiasm, mentorship and leadership like Mike did. He also shared that there will be a Memorial service for Mike in March and asked Jo to send out the invitation to everyone.

Jim requested a date change for the Spring meeting as he had a scheduling problem. So the next meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 21. Place and time TBA.

We adjourned at 6:12.