



BLACKHILLS CAMP ASSOCIATION MEETING  
JULY 21, 2007

The annual meeting of the WV Blackhills Camp Association was held on July 21, 2007, at Blackhills Camp.

Pastor Carl Radcliff opened the meeting with Prayer.

Alice Lemley volunteered to serve as secretary in the absence of Cheryl Kennedy.

A sign-up sheet took the roll call. Those in attendance:

Mike Shahan, Bridgeport	Adam Stuck, Bridgeport
Jeremy Shahan, Bridgeport	Jack Lemely, Rivesville
Pearl Beckman, Rivesville	Donna McBee, Rivesville
Faith Reesman, Rivesville	JoMarie Bowers, Rivesville
Duane Bowers, Rivesville	Steve Stemple, Samaria
Lonnie Fast, Fairmont	Candace Sturgell, Beulah
Frances Hilling, Beulah	Pauline Shahan, Mt. View
Janice Runner, Rivesville	Alice Lemley, Rivesville
Ben Roy, Hendricks	Beverly Leak, non-member
Zach DeLeurere, Hendricks	Laura Shahan, non-member
Laura Murray, Rivesville	Luann Nicholson, Beulah
Verna Shahan, Bridgeport	Carl Radcliff, Fairmont
Sharon DeLeurere, Hendricks	Paula Lowther, Hendricks
Minter Foster, Mt. View	Julie Foster, Mt. View

#### Proof of Notice

Mike Shahan reviewed the various ways the meeting had been announced. It was also noted that a quorum was in attendance. A motion was made, seconded and passed, to waive the individual notice of the Camp Association Meeting.

#### Minutes from Prior Meeting

It was agreed to not have the reading of the previous minutes, which were approved by the Camp Council.

#### Elections

Jack Lemley reported from the Nominating Committee that all those who are up for re-election have agreed to serve again. They are

1. Audit Committee: Pauline Shahan
2. Camp Association Secretary: Cheryl Kennedy
3. Camp Association Chairperson:: Michael Shahan

4. Camp Association Treasurer: Faith Reesman
5. Development Chairperson: Minter Foster
6. Family Camp Directors: Dan & Judy McCoy
7. Food Operations Chairperson: Verna Shahan
8. Property/Maintenance Chairperson: Lonnie Fast

Paula Lowther made a motion that all the above nominations be accepted for re-election. Pastor Steve Stemple seconded the motion. Motion carried. All nominees are elected to a 2-year term to expire in 2009.

State law requires that the trustees be elected by ballot. Nominees for trustees are: Dan McCoy, Bob Gricewich, and Randy Reesman. They were re-elected by ballot to a 2-year term.

Pastor Steve Stemple made a motion to re-elect Jack Lemley, Julie Foster, and Donna McBee to serve on the Nominating Committee. Paula Lowther seconded the motion. Motion carried.

It was reported that Lisa McIntire has asked to step down as Children's Camp Director. The Nominating Committee and the Camp Council will search for a replacement.

#### Report of Officers

- **TREASURER**
  - Faith Reesman reported that the bank balance to date (July 21, 2007) is \$46,635.20.
  - Detailed financial reports will be prepared and distributed later this year.
- **CHAIRMAN**
  - Our average attendance last year for Family Camp was 101. The average attendance this year for Family Camp so far is 113.
  - Mike Shahan, Blackhills Camp Chairperson, gave a report as to the business conducted by the Camp Council on October 10, 2006, February 17, 2007, and April 27, 2007 (see report).
- **Teen Camp (Laura Murray):**
  - 34 stayed the whole time
  - Pastor Adam Stuck was the speaker
  - Nine salvations
  - Several rededications
  - Great help
  - Wonderful cooks – Mike & Verna Shahan
  - Roberts Team served
- **CHILDREN'S CAMP (Mike Shahan reported in Lisa McIntire's absence):**
  - Lots of good help
  - 34 registered
  - Norm Arrington was the speaker
  - Cooks – Mike & Verna Shahan
- **Family Camp (Mike Shahan reported in the absence of Dan & Judy McCoy)**

- Has went well this year
- Complaint that not all the youth have participated in youth activities
- Property & Maintenance (Lonnie Fast):
  - Still have a buyer from the Kingwood area for the large tank
  - New addition and shelves attached to the men's restroom
  - Two new sinks and mirrors in men's restroom
  - Light, receptacle, and mirror in the ladies' restroom
  - Ice machine donated by Willard Ferrell (Subway)
  - Floor repaired in the dining room – 7 huge beams donated by the coal mines where Randy Reesman works
  - Addition of theater seats in the tabernacle
  - Lights over the Bible School work area
  - Strips for steps to keep from falling
  - Question/Comment Box hung on dining hall wall
- Marketing/Communications (Alice Lemley):
  - Brochures for Teen, Children's, and Family Camps were mailed or given out
- FOOD OPERATIONS (Verna Shahan)
  - Open for suggestions as to meals
  - Extra food left over will be for sale in the dining hall
- DEVELOPMENT (Minter Foster)
  - No Report.
- Special Events (Pauline Shahan):
  - Had a Retirement Celebration for Pastor Harley DeLeurere
  - Possibly a 1 day trip to Romney this fall TRUSTEES
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  - No Report
- CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT
  - No Report.

## OLD BUSINESS

- Lonnie Fast, Maintenance Chairperson, said we should get some ideas as to what to do with the old red unit.

## NEW BUSINESS

- Camp dates were discussed:
 

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Teen:	June 17-21	June 16-20
Children's:	June 24-27	June 23-26
Family:	July 10-20	July 2-12 (July 9-19)
- By common consent we will continue to have Supt. Chet Martin secure speakers for our Family Camps.

- Camp Work Dates:
  - September 29
  - October 27
  
- After discussion, Julie Foster made a motion to pay the workers as follows:
 

Children’s Worker (Alison DeLeurere):	\$300.00 and 1 meal ticket
Youth Worker (Pastor Jamie Wiklanski):	\$300.00 and 3 meal tickets
Store Workers (DeLeurere’s):	2 meal tickets
Cooks:	no pay, but meal tickets

(The cooks agreed to not accept any pay for cooking, but instead designate the money for the purchase of a new large refrigerator.)

Speaker (Pastor Paul Newton):	\$250.00
Speaker (Pastor David Bates):	\$1,000.00 and 3 meal tickets
Trash Collector (Megan Foster):	1 meal ticket

Pastor Steve Stemple seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Lonnie Fast will get 3 bids on a new roof for the tabernacle and report to the trustees and Camp Council.
  
- Pastor Carl Radcliff reported that the “Walk to Emmaus” group is looking for a place for housing. They meet six weekends a year. They may possibly want to use Blackhills Camp. The Camp Council will do some further research on this.
  
- Lonnie Fast made a motion that we send a formal invitation to “Road to Emmaus” group to come and look at the camp and work with us on using the camp facilities. Pastor Carl Radcliff seconded the motion. Motion carried.
  
- Janice Runner asked permission to possibly build a cabin in the spot where her “mailbox” unit is sometime in the future. This will be brought before the trustees.
  
- Samaria Free Methodist Church has purchased the “mailbox” unit from Frances Powviriya.
  
- Kathy Estel asked permission to possibly use the campground for a small group of Senior Teens. The Camp Association has given their consent. They will work with the Camp Council about this event.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Alice Lemley



## WV Blackhills Free Methodist Camp Camp Council

### Report to July 21, 2007 Camp Association Meeting

- The Camp Council has met 3 times since the last Association meeting: October 10, 2006, February 17, 2007 and April 27, 2007 and conducted the following business:
  - Approved the minutes from the July 15, 2006 Camp Association meeting
  - Elected Minter Foster ad Camp Council Vice-Chairperson
  - Elected Laura Murray to the Camp Council Executive Committee
  - Adopted a policy for assigning rooms and cabins for Family Camp
  - Approved keeping 2007 fees and rates the same as those for 2006. This in effect delayed the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of rate increases proposed last year
  - Approved accepting theatre seats from Bob Gricewich
  - Reviewed financial reports and statistics from all 2006 camps
  - Developed a camp checklist and planning form
  - Approved allowing Lonnie and Betty Fast to swap Room 6 in the family dorm for the old Superintendent's cabin
  - Approved the minutes from the October 17, 2007 Camp Council meeting
  - Constructed, and reviewed, existing housing wait list
  - Set camp spring work dates of April 14, 2007 and May 12, 2007
  - Approved securing the 'Royal Sounds' for a Sunday afternoon concert at Family Camp
  - Set the date for the Annual Camp Association meeting as July 21, 2007
  - Approved the minutes from the February 17, 2007 Camp Council meeting
  - Reviewed 2007 plans for all camps
  
  - While not done at a formal meeting, the Camp Council did approve the purchase of a new commercial refrigerator
  
- The Executive Committee of the Camp Council did not meet since the last Camp Association meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Shahan,  
Chairman, Blackhills Camp Association