

ALUMNI MEETING 1/2/16

OLD BUSINESS

- Merchandise
 - Moved to end of meeting per Dale's recommendation.
- Ember Charters
 - Ember charters are available online in a google doc <http://www.firecrafter.org/ember-resources.html>
 - Embers turned in: Orion, North Star , Mascotea, Rising Sun, Prairie Creek, Tomalapas

NEW BUSINESS

- University of Scouting
 - Troop 115 has done a bit in the past.
 - "Many Hands make light work." – The Ted Klick
 - Pizza Provided.
 - Done the evening before.
- Tradoree
 - Prairie Creek will be helping with that.
 - Saturday February 6 at 2pm is the Executive committee Meeting.
- Spring Fellowship
 - First weekend in May
 - Josh is looking for staff, joshuabeckemeyer@gmail.com
 - Dale mentions it's a great even in the spring to to accessibility to indy and ability to participate in spring sports.
 - Great for first year scouts.
 - Mentioning of Webelos who will be crossing over in the next year.
 - "Taste of Boy Scouts."
 - Registration up in around march.

- Rituals
 - Belzer for Mid
 - Krietenstein for grand
 - See Denise Purdie-Andrews dpandrews@comcast.net for the Alumni Side.
 - Matthew Long - Chief Trail Guide malong452@gmail.com
 - Staff requirements: Need to be a Firecrafter, rest up to youth.
- Friday Night Cookout
 - Dale Passes out Friday Night cookout Sheet.(Proposed dates, see attached at bottom.)
 - Big fundraiser for Firecrafter.
 - Covers all expenses that are not covered by events.
 - Time People should arrive on Friday, at latest 5:00pm – 5:15pm.
 - Some would be helpful for around 4:00 – 4:30pm.
 - Do not need to be in Firecrafter to help, we just need people to give in cheerful Service.
- Adult Nominations
 - Due by March 15th for the 2016 Ritual Season.
 - Available online at the following link
<http://www.firecrafter.org/forms-and-nominations.html>
- Concerns from Luke Gobel
 - Under 18 with over 18 in vehicles on events
 - Firecrafter should establish a policy on this.
 - We should also put something in the budget to help take care of people who worked through dinner.
 - Are Event advisors responsible for this? Embers?
 - Be consistent with the summer camping procedures.

Old Business

- Merchandise
 - Dale desires the best functioning model for the organization.
 - Proposed ideas:
 - Embers still have a desire to sell their own product to sell their own
 - These Embers would need approval for logo usage
 - Embers purchasing and such done through Ember Accounts
 - Reporting at some interval to the larger Firecrafter organization
 - Products that have been traditionally done through Embers, to have the council maintaining the control of the sale, with a percentage going to the original Ember.
 - Inventory has been kept of all existing merchandise.
 - Providing council with local inventory.
 - Merchandise will be kept to small amounts with the idea of purchasing throughout the year.
 - Comment was made that inventory can be better controlled based on supply and demand for the ember.
 - Comment asked “Why are we selling stuff as separate embers?”
 - People want it.
 - Helps to keep dues lower.
 - “How do we decide who gets to sell and who doesn’t?”
 - Sell a small amount merchandise.
 - Comment made we are a service organization for youth, not a retail store.
 - “We don’t have a budget”
 - We could have a budget.

- “What can we sell” becomes the focus, rather than “What can we do.”
- A policy should be done as soon, it’s been going on for a year.
- A committee should be made, fast , to get out the knitty gritty processes.
 - 3-4 committee to meet quickly and get this done.
 - Committee has been established before.
 - Policy has been established, but was not necessarily written to be shared.
- Pretty well agreed to not eliminate merchandise.
- Confusion of ideas of who could and could not sell during 2015.
- Sounds like it needs to be written out, and a deadline set out.
- Needs to be established before Spring Fellowship.
- Needs to be written up.
- Committee: Chris Jones , Brent Brandon, Andy Fulks, Denise Purdie-Andrews, Daniel Goldberg, Justin Scott, Dale Dietz, Lee Murdock

Proposed 2016 Friday Night Cookout Schedule

Week	Date	Embers	Contact
1	June 17	North Star Monjenikyah	Greg Hoyes (317) 873-4052 Ginnie Jennings (765) 273-0509
2	June 24	Chank-Tun-Un-Gi Prairie Creek	Bryan Swift (317) 326-7332 Andy Fulks (317) 796-1863
3	July 1	Rising Sun Mascotea	Joe Calvert (765) 606-0923 Kris Jones (317) 507-1180
4	July 15	Setting Sun Mehokquiman Waxing Moon	Matt Scherer (317) 697-4998 Kathy Baker (317) 838-0681 Greg Siebert (812) 431-0885
5	July 22	Prairie Valley Miami Shawnee	John Rombach (317) 223-1830 Daniel Guard (765) 697-2901
6	July 29	Tomalapas Orion	Brent Brandon (765) 748-9896 Gerrod Cavanaugh (317) 417-7209

Please contact your ember representative to sign up for your committed weekend. If you are not available to volunteer on your ember's assigned date, please feel free to contact any other ember's representative to sign up for that date. Your ember representative should be in touch approximately one week prior to your assigned date to confirm your attendance.