



CAMP LEMIEUX
LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD

Annual General Meeting April 8, 2017 Agenda

1. **Call to Order** – Jennifer Foley
2. **Opening Prayer** – Fr. John Mock
3. **Board Introductions** – Jennifer Foley
4. **Adoption of Agenda**
5. **Adoption of Mar 19, 2016 AGM Minutes**
6. **Business Arising From Minutes**
 - 6.1. Constitution Review Committee
 - 6.2. Public Review of Financials for Incorporation
7. **Reports**
 - 7.1. Chair’s Report – Jennifer Foley
 - 7.2. Finance Report – Jim Dietrich/Val Tienkamp
 - 7.2.1 Reviewed Financial Statement
 - 7.2.2 Budget for 2017
 - 7.3. Maintenance Report – Daniel Erker
 - 7.4. Program & Personnel – Jim Dietrich
 - 7.5. Communication Report – Jennifer Foley
8. **Discussion on Reports**
 - 8.1. Question and Answer Period
 - 8.2. Motion To Accept and File Reports
9. **New Business**
 - 9.1. Call for Constitution Review Ad Hoc Committee

9.2. Slate of Officers:

Two Year Term – Jennifer Foley	One Year Term – Jim Dietrich
Two Year Term – _____	One Year Term – Daniel Erker
Two Year Term – _____	One Year Term – Valerie Tienkamp
Two Year Term – _____	One Year Term – _____
Two Year Term – _____	Spiritual Director – Fr. John Mock

K of C Reps - District 4

- Moose Jaw -
- Lisieux -
- Assiniboia -
- Lafleche -
- Moose Jaw –

K of C Reps - District 6

- Shaunavon -
- Swift Current -
- Pontiex -
- Hodgeville -
- Gull Lake -
- Maple Creek –

K of C Reps - District 13

- Fox Valley -
- Lancer -
- Liebenthal -

9.3. Motion to accept nominations for Board Terms and declare them elected.

10. **Other**

10.1.

11. **Adjournment & Closing Prayer**



Annual General Meeting 2017 Reports

Chairperson's Report – Jennifer Foley

Celebrations

1. **Transitioned to “Mobile” Office** – upon the closure of the Archdiocesan Resource Center Office at Christ the Redeemer January 1st 2016 and after much discussion and consideration, we successfully transitioned from a “storefront” office location to a “mobile” office location. Thank you to Val Tienkamp for offering her home address as our current legal mailing address, for answering our Camp Lemieux cell phone regularly and continued winter storage in the shop. Thank you to the rest of the Board for all of their hard work visioning and clearing out all office supplies, equipment, storage and archive documents by the end of January...we certainly rallied the troops for that one!
2. **Archdiocesan Camps Meetings** – we attended two Archdiocesan Camp Meetings in Regina this past year. We have much to learn as we collaborate and support each other. Camp Lemieux continues to be acknowledged and celebrated as taking the lead in Catholic camp programming within the Archdiocese of Regina.
3. **Quality of Volunteers & 3rd Annual Fish Fry Support** – AMAZING volunteers & overwhelming Fish Fry support
4. **Spring & Fall Clean Up** – Increased Spring Cleanup Attendance ~20 with a Fall clean Up Crew of ~12 who know how to get things done! Having set traditional weekend dates of last weekend in April for Spring Clean Up and last weekend in September for Fall Cleanup allows people to plan on joining us. As we all know, many hands make light work!
5. **Cook & Groundskeeper Returns** – Our cook Lisa Neudorf and grounds keeper Blain Wagner returned for another season.
6. **Rentals** – Our first rental was successful on many fronts...revealing what we need to address with maintenance, building relationships, and of course financially as we were able to fully cover the remaining cost of our new zero-turn mower. We have finished building the paper work/process that reflects our rental policy making it easier for the next caretaker and rental. We have currently have rental requests for the next 3 summers.
7. **Website With Online Registration** – was available with PayPal option for the first time ever. Can you say learning curve...haha?!
8. **Counsellor & CIT Reunion/Retreat Weekend** – This reunion/retreat weekend was held in September with the intent to both feed and form those that serve others in our summer ministry months. It was a chilly weekend enjoyed by all. Michelle Braden & Braden Kuntz (Archdiocese of Regina Youth Office) came to help run parts of the retreat for their first visit to Camp Lemieux. A huge thank you to Heather Elder, Bill/Zoria Shumay, and Mrs. Francis for helping provide meals and space heaters that chilly weekend...memories made!
9. **History Homework Re: Neighbor Grant Klaiber** – Communication was initiated individually with the Ministry of Environment, RM of Lac Pelletier and our neighbor Grant Klaiber to start restoring our neighborly relationship. Much historical information was put on file. We have plans to meet with Mr. Klaiber on site this spring to discuss ways we can work together for Camp Lemieux.

Challenges

1. **Quantity of Volunteer Support**
2. **Permanent Caretaker Position**
3. **Financial & Volunteer Support from Alumni**
4. **Transition with Friends of Camp Lemieux, bookkeeper, temporary treasurer & changing contacts with “everyone”** – We were able to find a young bookkeeper with a heart for camp and the desire to learn however we will struggle moving forward (i.e. becoming a non-profit corporation and keeping up with government requirements) until we gain stability with a treasurer. We are grateful for Jim & Val for role sharing this position temporarily with grace. We have lived a year of catching new areas that we needed to update our contact information (i.e. Revenue Canada, utilities, suppliers, Stats Canada, etc.)
5. **Website With Online Registration** – continues to be available with PayPal option for 2017 camp season. It has been and continues to be a learning curve through this necessary process. Streamlining this process on the back end will be priority this coming season.
6. **Rallying Sponsorship Funding** – we need a more proactive plan in this area moving forward if we are to continue advertising Sponsorship opportunities.
7. **Counsellor’s In Training (CIT’s) are MUCH needed...15-18yrs...please spread the word!**
8. **Public Relations/Communication** – repairing and rebuilding relationships with parishes, Knights of Columbus Councils, Alumni, etc. We are currently investigating infrastructure for communicating with Camp family...this is foundational and will be high priority in the up-coming year along with creating a Promotions salaried position and a branding & promotions strategy.

Respectfully submitted as we continue to Love the Lord our God,

Jennifer Foley - Chairperson

Finance – Camp Lemieux AGM April , 2017

Community Acct			
Donations Acct			
Friends Acct	1-Jan-16		
	\$ 66,554.08		
Totals	\$ 37,127.97		
Difference	\$ 5,035.50	31-Dec-16	
PayPal Acct		\$ 13,222.60	
Difference (deficit)	\$ 108,717.55	\$ 62,085.14	
High Interest/Endowment Acct		\$ 6,604.39	
		\$ 81,912.13	
Insurance Proceeds (main hall)	\$ 14,293.37	\$ 15,120.13	
Fr. Ray's Estate Total			\$ (26,805.42)
Donations			
Archdiocesan Loan		\$ 14,371.53	\$ (11,685.29)
K of C Charitable Foundation			
Donation			
Lawnmower Cost		\$ 57,264.95	
		\$ 10,341.20	
		\$ 36,161.99	
		\$ 4,000.00	
		\$ 7,598.40	

Camp Lemieux Director's Final Report 2016

Registration

This year we had 123 campers, 9 Kidz campers, and 10 CITs, making for 142 campers total. I believe that we could have had more registrations if the new online registration had been made more apparent to campers and parents. I had several parents/teachers come up to me after school presentations asking when the registration pamphlets would be coming. For next year it should be explicitly stated that registration is all online.

I believe that registration numbers would have been greater if I had been able to book more schools for presentations. I was able to do all 5 of the Catholic Elementary schools in Moose Jaw, the Catholic elementary school in Swift Current and the Catholic elementary school in Shaunavon, as well as one parish presentation in Medicine Hat. I tried to book presentations for the Regina Catholic schools, but their calendar was already booked until the end of June. In the future, I would recommend that the director be hired at the beginning, or at least the middle, of May; this gives him the whole month to plan and travel to presentations. That is also the time when many families are planning and preparing for their summers. Sending me out in June was just too late in the year.

Maintenance

This year there were a couple larger maintenance projects that took place. The first one was getting a plumber to come out to camp and flush the mainline running from the main hall to the septic tank because we had the pipes back up twice in the main hall; the first time was just the kitchen, and Blaine managed to fix it. The second time however, all of the pipes backed up, and there was overflow in the kitchen and all of the sinks and toilets. After he was finished, the plumber said that since there was a low spot in the pipe between the main hall and septic tank, and over the years all the soap scum and anything that went down the drain gradually plugged it up until this year, where there was complete blockage. He recommended that an outfit come out every year before the camping season starts and flush the line like he had done to prevent any further back up.

The second maintenance job was the replacement of the roof above the west side door of M&M. Heather and her husband came out several times throughout the summer to repair the roof. During senior week the volunteers also took out the sagging floor in front of that door, and discovered that the floor beams underneath had rotted away in several places. Some of the wood was replaced, and some was shored up. The work on this repair was hampered by the fact that camp does not own good power drills; while they were able to put some of the screws in by hand, this was difficult and time consuming. They finished the job using Jonah Shaver's and Blaine's power tools.

There was also some water damage done to the floor right inside the door of cabin 1. A low spot had developed, causing the floorboards to rot clean through. The volunteers repaired it during senior week.

Several wobbly benches were fixed around the campfire pit during senior week. They cut the legs shorter, as they were rotten in parts, and put the benches back in their places. However, this was just a temporary fix, as the best thing to do would be to replace the posts all together, as the benches are now very low to the ground.

Blaine Wagner was out most of the time during the camper weeks to mow and water the lawns, as well as lend a hand with any other maintenance jobs that needed doing.

New Program

This year we tried to implement several new program changes, the first being to scrap the activity groups for the children, and instead let them sign up for different activities at certain times. While this seemed like a good idea in theory, once put into action there were several flaws that we found immediately:

- It was time consuming and inefficient
- The CIT's never got to know all of the kids in their groups, as they always changed; this didn't let them work as efficiently with the campers as when there are assigned groups

- The counsellors could not properly keep track of the children, and the campers know this; they would skip back and forth between activities that they had not signed up for
- Some of the campers refused to sign up for activities, and had to be made to go to activities

These are just some of the bigger concerns with the system of signing up. Until we gave them a choice, the campers didn't really care that they couldn't choose where they could go.

Some of the other program changes were good, and I suggest that they be continued and developed for later camping seasons. Chief among these is the expansion of activities to do in Arts and Crafts. Some of the new activities were wire flower art, plastic canvas weaving, and tripod painting. However, the addition of these new crafts means that whoever is in charge of Arts and Crafts needs to know exactly how to make each craft. I suggest that Team be asked to come out more time in advance to prepare for camp.

Another change was the addition of another activity area, Science and Technology, which focused on doing more science like activities with the campers such as making borax slime, building catapults, straw towers, and making kinetic liquid. However, since none of these activities took very long, the decision was made to combine Science and Technology with Arts and Crafts to make Arts and Science. This greatly expanded the variety of activities to do in the area.

Final Notes/Thanks/Recommendations

The health inspector has said that we must get rid of all mattresses that have tears in them. They were temporarily removed and put in cabin four, and then later moved to the junk heap outside of the main hall. There were about 2-3 taken from each cabin.

The junk heap outside of the main hall is large and only getting bigger. During cleanup a trailer should be brought out, and the pile should be hauled out. It is unsightly, a mouse attraction, a hazard to campers, and parents have to see it every time they come to drop off or pick up their children.

There were four new benches broken this year. While they are nice and light, they are also not very sturdy, and don't appear to stand up well to being taken up and down from tables by campers and being shuffled around a lot.

The new zero-turn mower arrived on the last day of camp, and while we didn't get to use it during the camping season, it will be a welcome upgrade for the coming camping seasons. The new garbage trailer is also a huge improvement; thank you to Justin and Chantel Foley for bringing it out to us.

The window on the south door of the main hall was broken at the beginning of the year; it has been replaced. The window on the south door or Arts and Crafts was broken; a replacement window was bought, but not put in. Due to the fact that the panes on that door don't come out easily individually, perhaps a piece of plywood could simply be put in and decorated. This wouldn't overly diminish the amount of light that that room gets, as there are windows along all the walls.

The addition of another youth camp was a good idea, as it made sure that the other camper weeks were not as full, making the counsellors and CITs a lot less stressed. Thanks to Daniel and Andrew, the boards behind the crucifix in the chapel were taken down and replaced. Thank you to Elena Hudec for staining it. Thank you to the volunteers who came out during senior week and painted the hallway in the main hall. Thank you to all the volunteers and priests who came out to make sure that camp ran smoothly this year.

Thank you once again to everyone who put time in to ensure that camp was successful this year. God bless you all,

Rebecca Hudec - Director of Camp Lemieux, 2016