

## **Mountain Top Chrysalis Board Meeting - 10/25/2014**

**Members Present:** Jason Boston, Leon Roach, Bo Phillips, Melissa Gibson, Alisha Randall, Lindsey Holland, Heather Evans, Gavin Mills, Rachel Hipps, Josh Tate, Chris Nordin, Christian Birchfield

Leon opened the meeting with prayer.

Previous meeting's minutes were read. Heather made the motion to accept and Leon seconded. All approved.

**Treasurer's Report** - Checking account balance was \$8,178.77; Income of 645 from Big House, Income of \$2,320 from team, 4 scholarships were requested and a scholarship offering of \$221.60, which left us with one scholarship needed. Team bed count was 84. Income of \$1080 from the Caterpillars. With some of the extra money that was donated through team and other areas, it was enough to cover the one scholarship needed. There were 24 Caterpillar beds for the weekend. There were 4 servant beds for the weekend. There were 9 background checks done over the weekend for a total of \$135. Candlelight offering was \$108. Payment for the servant meals and beds was \$162. As for expenses, the total number of beds was 137 at \$25, which is a total of \$3,425. The food cost was \$1,158.96. \$19.46 for Walgreens, and the Upper Room fees for 12 Caterpillars at \$10 was \$120. We ended up with an actual profit of \$76.80 for Flight 24. The deposit check for Camp Truett was \$800, which factored in to the -\$723.20 at the bottom of the report. There was a Cash deposit of \$2,379.60 and a Check deposit of \$2,705.00, which comes to a total of \$5,084.60 for Flight 24. Alisha motioned to accept the report and Chris accepted. All approved.

**Clergy** - The flight went well. Eric Hill is now approved but will not be able to be ordained until 2015. Keri Hill is ordained and is available, so we two more clergy that can serve. Nathan Finsel and Dustin James want to continue to serve and they are still licensed, but they cannot serve communion. Still looking for new clergy who want to serve at Chrysalis. There was a clergy hanging out in the parking lot during a talk on the last day, so it was recommended that they be reminded that they needed to be in the conference room and available for the Caterpillars.

**Registration** - We had 12 boys for Flight 24 and one scholarship was needed but was covered by extra donations over the weekend. Heather picked up name tags, so we were able to have those and Lindsey did get name tags back from the team after this flight. The Registrar asked that it be noted in the minutes that the reason why we don't have name tags is because Jason Boston is a hoarder of name tags and will not give them back.

**Communications** - Going well. Carole Maennle has requested to help since she is stepping down from her position of Candlelight coordinator and wants to continue to be on the Board. She would be Heather's assistant and handle getting news out when Heather may not be able to.

**Agape** - Went well. Had lots of food for the conference room but was a little short on agape gifts on the

first day, which is typical for the boys flights. There are several community members that send agape when needed and their help is appreciated.

**Prayer Chapel** - Went really well. The location is great and is a central spot at the camp. Missed Big House, but it was smaller and lots of new kids and they may not have known where it was. Need to pick up pillar candles before the flights since no stores sell them in Bryson City. Gibby will handle that.

**Big House** - Went well. Lots of new kids this time - over 50% were there for the first time. Six caterpillars from Flight 23 were there, which is a good return rate. Pranks have been eliminated from the Big House and will be enforced by the former head prankster.

**Afterglow** - We think it went okay since we didn't get any feedback from Logistics. Byron fed a Bryson City LEO (who was a former CLW staff member) that walked in to the Kitchen.

**Team Selection** - Spring teams had their team selection at the MTE men's walk, so they are in the process of calling. Heather Luther is set for March and Shawn Winchester for May. Libby Thigpen originally said that she would not take September 2015, but something during Flight 24 made her change her mind and she said that she would be the LD for September 2015. Mason Phillippi has agreed to take October 2015, so we are set for Lay Directors for 2015. Team selection for the Fall flights will be in the Spring of 2015 at the April walk for MTE.

**Candlelight** - Went well. The wind took down the luminaries, but that was the only problem we ran into.

**Setup/Teardown** - Everything was good. Teardown went quickly and everyone left at the same time since the room checks were done during Closing and we were able to have a Lost & Found pile before the end.

**Transportation** - Went well. We had three vans again; one from BC Church of God, one from BC United Methodist, and one from Victory Baptist. The big thing was that we needed drivers, so Jason stepped in.

**Clown** - Went really well. Everything was covered for Saturday and Sunday morning. Still need oversized clothes for the Clown box. Judy and Alisha are wanted to hold a Clown training during one of the flights, but any of the youth that are at Big House may not be available on the second day since that is their busiest day, so they're considering either the first day or the third day of the flight. They're running low on red makeup and will need to pick some up soon. They also will need the little butterfly stickers that go on the hearts for Benediction. Ginny has been cutting the hearts out for us and the clowns are grateful and thankful to her for that agape act.

**Dining Room** - Went well. It was a smaller Big House with mostly under 18 girls on the first day, so Logistics gladly jumped in and helped serve food when we needed them to.

**Kitchen** - Went well. It was mostly Ron Harless, Ben, Jason and Ronnie Mulkey (who was on Logistics but ended up spending most of his time helping in the Kitchen). The food costs are low and hopefully they keep going down. Ron is working on reducing our food costs. The Kitchen crew also appreciated the Big House kids jumping in and washing the dishes during the weekend.

**Board Representative's Report** - Leon was the Board Rep for Flight 24 and he reported that it was a good weekend. The team that was there was right on it as far as time was concerned. They stayed on time the whole weekend. There was an incident on Friday where one of the Caterpillars was playing basketball and sprained his ankle. They thought it might have been broken, so his sponsor (who was on team) and the head ALD took him to the ER in Bryson City and the Caterpillar wanted to come back, they brought him back after Prodigal and he stayed the whole weekend. It was a very fulfilling weekend that supplied a lot of needs that the conference room had.

### **Old Business**

-Concerning Joel paying for 8 beds/\$200 per flight: Jason actually paid the \$200 for Flight 23, so we would have had a gain on the Treasurer's Report for that weekend.

-Jacob Ayers: Heather has the check for the Ayers from the Emergency Fund and the hand cross from Flight 24 and will either deliver the items or ship them. Jacob has moved to a long term care facility in McDonough, GA and is responding to one word commands. There is hope that he will be in a condition where he can be moved to The Shepard Center in Atlanta, which is a state-of-the-art spinal and brain hospital.

-The January Board meeting will be in Hayesville on January 31st. Lucas will handle the arrangements with the camp for that.

-The deposit has been made for Truett. The amount is \$800 and is reflected in the Treasurer's Report for October 2014.

-Chrysalis was asked several months ago to do entertainment for the MTE women's walk in November 2014, so Heather and Gibby will be there and have lots of Chrysalis kids with them and be around to help with things in the Kitchen and Dining Room.

-The letter to the MTC community from Lucas was emailed and posted on the MTC website.

### **New Business**

-Keri Hill has been asked to take over the Treasurer position and she has graciously said yes. We will have to do a community vote since it is for an Executive Board position. Heather will create the survey this week.

-There are two Executive Board positions that are supposed to roll off at the end of 2014 that we need

actively recruit for. People will jump in and serve if we ask them. Kim Clark has been asked to take over Supplies and Chasidy West has been asked about doing Candlelight with Chris Nordin. Secretary and Community Spiritual Director are the two Executive Board positions that are up to roll off. All of the Board members need to check their email addresses on the Board list and make sure that they are correct.

-There is a large set of plates that Ron bought that initially were intended to be used for meals at Chrysalis so that we could get away from the paper plates and cut down on costs and trash. We can talk to CLW and offer to buy the plates back from them and take them to Truett with us. Not sure if Truett has plates that we can use but we do know that they do not have a dishwasher.

-Jason has spoken with several members of MRC's Board and he would like to see our relationship with our sister community improve since we're starting to see kids that came through their community come over and serve here. He suggested that we could send a van over for a day and go over and serve and support them. An adult over 25 yrs old can coordinate it.

-Still need a Move Coordinator to facilitate the move after the girls flight in March. Leon said that Lucas knew someone who could move the shed and was planning to talk to them. We need someone who can coordinate where Candlelight and the board meetings will be and transportation and other such items. Heather talked to Chris West during Flight 24 about using his church in Murphy for Candlelight, but it is about 12 miles away from Truett on Hwy 64. Leon mentioned that traveling to Murphy could add up to an hour to Saturday night and the travel can take away from the experience of the weekend. There are quite a few churches around the Hayesville area whose pastors have gone through Emmaus and could make their church available to us. We will know more about what churches and locations will be available for us at the January Board meeting. Leon recommended that we make a decision at the January Board meeting as to where Candlelight and Board meetings/Follow Up would be held.

-Alisha asked about the Reunion/Hoots position and then offered to take that over with Rachel Hipps as her assistant. Heather motioned that Alisha Randall and Rachel Hipps take over the Reunion/Hoots board position and Gavin seconded the motion. All approved.

Heather motioned to end the meeting and Alisha seconded. All approved. Bo ended the meeting with a devotional, communion, and prayer requests.