

Massawepie Staff Alumni Association

Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting of **3/10/04** at the Otetiana Servicer, 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mark Pulvino (Chair), Brad Van Auken (Vice-Chair), Mike Knittel (Treasurer), Peter Collinge (Secretary), Dave Lippitt (VP-Camping)

Beaver Weekend:

Projects: Food & Cooking (Various volunteers; Don will ask Gary Hicks to organize)
Continue working on cabins
Archery Range shooting line
Campfire Circle

Newsletter:

Article deadline March 31

Target mailing date: Late April

Will include membership renewal form, w/ option for Rifle Range and/or
Endowment donation

Articles:

New member recruiting (free renewal for recruiting 5 new members not
already members in past 2 years) – Mark

Klondike Report? – Mark

Happy Hour report? – Dave

Beaver Weekend – Mark

Annual Meeting Notice - Peter

Rifle Range – Peter

Friends of Alumni – Peter

Camp Update/Staff needs – Peter

Life Events for Newsletter – Dave

Nominations – Dave (Secretary's Note: Rules of Operation say that any
names nominated by 45 days before annual meeting should be
mailed to members in advance – how do we handle this?)

Rifle Range: The total of pledges and cash is around \$52,000 (out of the \$90,000 goal). That's enough for the council to go ahead with the foundation and deck this spring, but not finish the building yet. Peter's collecting names for a mailing to promote both MASAA membership and Rifle Range donations. That mailing will go out by the end of March. The group gave input on promising names for the mailing.

Financial Report:

Balance

\$1088.70

Most money came from patch sales. Will be getting more dues soon, but may also need to look for another fundraiser.

Staff Recognition:

Brad suggested, and there was consensus, that the MSAA should host an event (dinner?) for the staff during the summer. Concern was raised about cost, and a suggestion was made to hold a "staff reunion" weekend with housing in Gannett, and charge enough to also cover most of the expenses for the staff event. The staff attending the reunion would also help run the staff event. Brad will contact Steve W. to check on his feelings, and the work on the details for this event.

Massawepie Loyalty Plan:

Brad reported that there is some interest in a program or "hook" to encourage troops and Scouts to come back to Massawepie year after year. Possible models are the Mic-o-say (sp?) program from Kansas City and the Pipestone program from Ohio. There was considerable discussion about options, with a general consensus that some such program was desirable starting in 2005, but that the full Mic-o-say type program might be

too elaborate. Use of beads as recognitions seems promising. Further discussions will be held at the May meeting.

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 5, 6 p.m. at Mark Pulvino's
- Discuss Massawepie retention plan, Beaver Weekend

Other:

- The wiring in Mike's house is in good shape, and the drywall should be done soon.

Peter Collinge, Secretary