

Virginia Headwaters Council EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING Camp Shenandoah Thursday, July 20, 2023



<u>Itinerary Guide</u>

4pm – Arrive at Camp

Parking is available in overflow parking or near Camp Office. Check-in at the Camp Office (white tent) is required before proceeding anywhere on Camp property.

4:15-4:450pm - Camp Tour

The Camp Director will have a seasoned employee available to give an *exclusive* and informative tour of Camp. This could be enjoyable for new and old Board Members.

5pm – Executive Board Meeting

Due to the internet connectivity a zoom connection will not be available.

6pm – Camp Visit Concludes

6:30pm – Meet at Byers Street Bistro

18 Byers Street, Staunton VA 24401 Social Gathering of Board Members. Light Appetizers will be provided.

<u>Dress Code:</u> Wearing a uniform is optional. If you do wear a uniform then you cannot have drinks afterwards at Byers Street Bistro.



Virginia Headwaters Council EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING Thursday, July 20, 2023 Camp Shenandoah | Swoope, VA 5:00-6:00 PM Presiding: Steve Hammond, Council President

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AGENDA

- I. Opening
 - Welcome
 - Invocation
- II. State of the Council
 - Membership Report
 - Special Events Report
 - Board FOS Participation
 - Treasurer's Report
- III. Approval of June Meeting Minutes & Financials
- IV. Reports
 - Commissioner
 - Monticello District
 - Mountain Valley District
 - Update on Black Pug software transition
 - Popcorn and Peanuts 2023
 - Casino Night
 - Scout Executive selection
- V. Closing Remarks
 - Acting Scout Executive
 - Council President

Steve Hammond Roger Burke

Mike White Audrey Storm Cindy Zollman Tom Greenwood Matt Phillippi

Steve Hammond

Roger Burke Ed Murphy Dr. Lawrence Whitehurst John Athayde Shane Eppard R. C. Hartman Steve Hammond

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Upcoming:

- Executive Committee Meeting: August 17, 2023 @ 7pm
- Mountain Valley Golf Tournament: September 18, 2023 @ 9am (Lexington Golf and Country Club)
- VAHC Casino Night: Friday, November 3, 2023 @ 7-10 pm (Bluestone Vineyard in Bridgewater)
- Executive Board Retreat: Saturday, November 11, 2023 (Apex Clean Energy in Charlottesville)

• Auction: December 1, 2023 (Best Western Inn & Suites in Waynesboro)



Virginia Headwaters Council State of the Council Report July 20, 2023

GREEN = metric at or exceeds monthly target
YELLOW = metric slightly below monthly target
RED = metric well below monthly target

YOUTH MEMBERSHIP	<u>FOS</u>	SPECIAL EVENTS
1, 3, 9, 4	\$80,087	\$81,865
(June 2023)	(June 2023)	(June 2023)
2023 goal: 1,913	2023 goal: \$110,000	2023 goal: \$171,500
Previous Month: 1,372	Previous Month: \$77,626	Previous Month: \$80,375
CAMP ATTENDANCE	POPCORN & PEANUTS	BOARD FOS PLEDGES
(June 2023)	\$0 (June 2023)	100.0% (June 2023)
2023 goal: 920	2023 goal: \$140,000	2023 goal: 100%
Previous Month: 810	Previous Month: \$0	Previous Month: 85.4%
INCOME (YTD)	EXPENSES (YTD)	SURPLUS/DEFICIT
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\$286,706	\$242,549	\$44,158
(June 2023)	(June 2023)	(June 2023)
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2023 goal: \$918,100	2023 goal: \$904,565	2023 goal: \$0
\$286,706	\$242,549	\$44,158
(June 2023)	(June 2023)	(June 2023)
2023 goal: \$918,100	2023 goal: \$904,565	2023 goal: \$0
Previous Month: \$248,053	Previous Month: \$185,922	Previous Month: \$62,130
Cash on Hand	Endowment Fund	Line of Credit

Virginia Headwaters Council Treasurer's Report Executive Board Meeting July 20, 2023

<u>Key Figures Year to Date as of 30 June 2023:</u>

- Cash on Hand: \$198,121
- Net Operating Support & Revenue (Revenues Expenses): \$44,158^A
 - Support & Revenues: \$286,706
 - Expenses: \$242,549
- Budget Variance (Actual Budget): \$245,341; -121.95% of budget.
 - Support & Revenues: \$81,156; 39.48% in excess of budget.
 - **Expenses:** \$(164,184); 40.37% less than budgeted.
- Accounts Payable: \$7,653^B
- Outstanding Debt: \$456,926
 - Notes Payable: \$349,750^C
 - Long-term Mortgage: \$107,176

Notes on June 2023 Financials

- A. There are deferred revenues and expenses that will hit the books in July from camp. So far, those revenues are \$280,625 and the expenses are \$167,327, which is a surplus of \$113,298. This is due in no small part to a monumental effort by our camp leadership doing everything they can to run a tight budget.
- B. Our accounts payable have gone down significantly because we have paid off National. This was done so that we could set in motion our efforts to hire a Scout executive.
- C. Our debt is down because we paid off our lines of credit with the sale of the office. We now only have the one loan through PCB of \$350,000 and the mortgage on the ranger's house.

With the sale of the office, we were able to pay off the lines of credit in a timely manner and we have begun making the transition to move our banking over to Pendleton Community Bank. They have so far been great to work with and it really does promise to be a great relationship moving forward.

Camp is going well financially but we must wait and see how everything shakes out in the end. I cannot say enough how grateful I am to Pete Echols and Dee Schartiger for watching the budget and to Cindy Zollman and Tom Greenwood for running the trading post. They have been doing a great job out there and it shows in the financial statements.

We are still around \$30,000 shy of our FOS goal for the year. We need to do everything we can to make that goal. If you can think of community members to reach out to, let us know so we can make some asks.

Special events have netted about \$18,000 less than budgeted so far this year. We still have more events to make happen. So, sell those drop ball tickets and spread the word about the casino night and the auction once that information is available.

We continue to save money due to reduced personnel costs, but we need to start paying those out sooner rather than later by hiring professional staff. Once we have a permanent Scout executive in place this should become a priority which means we will see those savings start to disappear.

As always, if you have any questions about all of this do not hesitate to reach out to me. I know I am missing the meeting because I am at Jamboree, but the Summit has great wi-fi, so I can answer your emails. I hope you have a great evening at camp!

Attached: June 2023 Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Operations.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matt Phillippi VAHC Treasurer

Virginia Headwaters Council - # 763

Boy Scouts of America

Statement of Financial Position -

Period Ending: June 30, 2023

	Operating Fund		Capital F	und	Endowme	nt Fund	Total of All Funds	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Current assets:								
Cash	109,090	363,674	176,871	(17,422)	5,668	2,668	291,629	348,921
Accounts and notes receivable	-	15,869	-	158	-	-	-	16,027
Contributions receivable	18,874	24,667	549	549	-	-	19,423	25,216
Inventory	82,987	124,404	-	26,069	-	-	82,987	150,473
Deferred activity expense	38,405	787	-	-	-	-	38,405	787
Deferred camp expense	167,327	16	-	-	-	-	167,327	16
Deferred special event expense	2,341	298	-	-	-	-	2,341	298
Prepaid expenses	1,241	9,798	-	-	65,037	65,037	66,278	74,834
Total current assets	420,267	539,513	177,420	9,354	70,704	67,704	668,391	616,572
Noncurrent assets:								
Contributions receivable	-	1,658	-	_	-	_	-	1,658
Land, buildings and equipment		1,000	843,669	921,612			843,669	921,612
Long-term investments	(1,000)	(1,000)	-	521,012	948,888	1,423,552	947,888	1,422,552
Other noncurrent assets	(1,000)	(1,000)	_	_	2,754,853	2,754,853	2,754,853	2,754,853
Total noncurrent assets	(1,000)	658	843,669	921,612	3,703,741	4,178,406	4,546,410	5,100,676
Total assets	419,267	540,171	1,021,089	930,967	3,703,741 3,774,446	4,178,400	5,214,801	5,717,248
	419,207	540,171	1,021,005	530,507	3,774,440	4,240,110	5,214,801	3,717,248
Current liabilities:								
Accounts payable	6,653	19,093	-	-	1,000	-	7,653	19,093
Accrued expenses	20,793	8,351	-	31,960	-	-	20,793	40,311
Taxes and benefits withheld	1,365	(854)	-	-	-	-	1,365	(854)
Custodial accounts	144,491	124,931	-	-	-	-	144,491	124,931
Notes and mortgage payable	349,750	596,000	-	0	-	-	349,750	596,000
Deferred activity revenue	54,116	7,482	-	-	-	-	54,116	7,482
Deferred camp revenue	280,625	-	(760)	-	-	-	279,865	-
Deferred special event revenue	31,460	10,399	-	-	-	-	31,460	10,399
Other current liabilities	-	(2)	-	-	-	-	-	(2)
Total current liabilities	889,254	765,400	(760)	31,960	1,000	-	889,494	797,360
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Noncurrent liabilities:		146 700						146 700
Long-term indebtedness	-	146,700	-	-	-	-	-	146,700
Long-term mortgage	-	-	107,176	118,086	-	-	107,176	118,086
Total noncurrent liabilities	-	146,700	107,176	118,086	-	-	107,176	264,786
Total liabilities	889,254	912,100	106,416	150,047	1,000	-	996,670	1,062,146
Net assets:								
Without donor restrictions	(525,119)	(425,109)	571,387	437,634	(96,410)	(97,410)	(50,142)	(84 <i>,</i> 885)
With donor restrictions	55,132	53,181	343,286	343,286	3,869,855	4,343,520	4,268,274	4,739,986
Total net assets	(469,987)	(371,929)	914,673	780,920	3,773,446	4,246,110	4,218,132	4,655,102
Total liabilites and net assets	419,267	540,171	1,021,089	930,967	3,774,446	4,246,110	5,214,801	5,717,248

Accompanying schedules are an integral part of this financial statement.

Virginia Headwaters Council - # 763

Boy Scouts of America

Statement of Financial Position -									
	Period Ending: June 30, 2023								
	Operating Fund		Capital Fund		Endowmer	nt Fund	Total of A	ll Funds	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	
Standard schedules									
Schedule 1: Contributions Receivable Current									
Contributions Receivable-Past Years	7,362	51,756	549	(5,000)	-	-	7,911	46,756	
Allowance for Uncollectible-Past Years	(5,186)	(9,069)	-	-	-	-	(5,186)	(9,069	
Contributions Receivable-Current Year	22,791	5,288	-	5,549	-	-	22,791	10,837	
Discounted Contributions Receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Allowance for Uncollectible-Current	(6,093)	(23,307)	-	-	-	-	(6,093)	(23,307	
Net Contributions Receivable Current	18,874	24,667	549	549	-	-	19,423	25,216	
Schedule 2: Contributions Receivable Non-Curren	t								
Contributions Receivable - Non-Current	-	1,658	-	-	-	-	-	1,658	
Discounted Contributions Receivable		_,000	-	-	-	-	-	2)000	
Allowance for Uncollectible Non-Current		-	-	-	_	-	_		
Net Contributions Receivable Non-Current		1,658	-	-	-	-	-	1,658	
Schedule 3: Land, Buildings & Equipment									
Land, Buildings & Equipment-Non Camp	-	-	72,338	191,541	-	-	72,338	191,541	
Accumulated Depreciation-Non Camp	-	-	(56,377)	(156,329)	-	-	(56,377)	(156,329	
Land, Buildings & Equipment-Camps	-	-	2,259,625	2,259,625	-	-	2,259,625	2,259,625	
Accumulated Depreciation-Camps	-	-	(1,488,193)	(1,429,502)	-	-	(1,488,193)	(1,429,502	
Construction in Progress	-	-	56,276	56,276	-	-	56,276	56,276	
ROU assets-finance leases net	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Land, Buildings & Equipment	-	-	843,669	921,612	-	-	843,669	921,612	
Schedule 4: Custodial Accounts									
National Fees & Subscriptions	(109,239)	(105,193)	-	-	-	-	(109,239)	(105,193	
Unit Deposits	138,112	149,647	-	-	-	-	138,112	149,647	
Order of the Arrow and NESA	44,695	30,360	-	-	-	-	44,695	30,360	
Other Custodial Accounts	70,924	50,117	-	-	-	-	70,924	50,117	
Total Custodial Accounts	144,491	124,931	-	-	-	-	144,491	124,931	
Schedule 5: Unrestricted Net Assets Designated				Г		[
Total Board Designated Net Assets									
Non-Designated Net Assets	(525 110)	(425,109)	571,387	437,634	(96,410)	(07 /10)	(50,142)	(84,88	
Total Unrestricted Net Assets	(525,119) (525,119)	(425,109) (425,109)	571,387 571,387	437,634 437,634	(96,410) (96,410)	(97,410) (97,410)	(50,142)	(84,885	

End of Standard Schedules

----- End of Statement -----

Comparative Statement of Budgeted Operations - Unrestricted -Period Ending: June 30, 2023

Operating Fund	Current Period				Current Year		
	Budget	Actual	Last Year	Budget	Year to Date Actual	Last Year	Budget
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Direct support:							
Contributions of cash and other financial assets							
Net direct mail							
Friends of Scouting:							
FOS contributions	9,000	2,461	10,676	59,000	80,087	69,493	110,00
Net assets released FOS	-	-	-	-	6,956	-	
Provision uncoll FOS	(600)	(172)	(745)	(4,200)	(6,093)	(4,907)	(7,70
Net Friends of Scouting	8,400	2,289	9,931	54,800	80,949	64,586	102,30
Net project sales							
Special events:							
Special event contributions	-	1,490	56,840	113,000	81,865	64,295	156,00
Net assets release spec events	-	620	-	-	620	-	
Spec event fees collected	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,00
Spec event cost direct benefit	-	-	(13,586)	(18,050)	(5,607)	(14,936)	(31,85
Net special events	-	2,110	43,254	94,950	76,878	49,359	134,15
Legacies and bequests:					2 200	2 000	2.00
Legacies and bequests contrib	-	-	-	-	2,388	3,080	3,00
Net legacies and bequests	-	-	-	-	2,388	3,080	3,00
Net foundations and trusts							
Other direct:	625	415		2 750	2 5 4 4	2 000	7 5
Other direct contributions	625	415	-	3,750	2,544	2,000	7,5
Net other direct contributions	625	415	-	3,750	2,544	2,000	7,5
Total contributions of cash and other financial assets	9,025	4,814	53,185	153,500	162,760	119,024	246,9
Contributions of non-financial assets							
Total direct support	9,025	4,814	53,185	153,500	162,760	119,024	246,9
ndirect support:	-,	7-	,	,	- ,	- / -	
Net associated organizations							
United Way:							
United Way contributions	200	-	-	1,000	143	65	2,0
Net United Way	200	-	-	1,000	143	65	2,0
Net unassociated organizations							
Net other indirect contributions							
Government fees and grants:							
Government fees grants gross	625	-	-	3,750	-	100,000	7,5
Government grants and fees	625	-	-	3,750	-	100,000	7,5
Total indirect support	825	-	-	4,750	143	100,065	9,5
levenue:							
Sales of supplies - net:							
Sale of supplies gross	-	2,997	7,904	25,000	22,451	40,071	25,0
Sale of supplies cost of goods	-	(1,948)	(4,772)	(16,250)	(14,333)	(25,493)	(16,2
Net sale of scouting supplies	-	1,049	3,132	8,750	8,118	14,578	8,7
Product sales:							
Product sales	-	-	-	-	-	3,183	140,0
Product sales cost of goods	-	-	-	-	-	(2,696)	(63,0
Product sales unit commissions	-	-	-	-	-	(1,663)	(56,0
Net product sales	-	-	-	-	-	(1,176)	21,0
Investment:							
Investment income current	-	-	24	-	-	73	30,0
Total investment income	-	-	24	-	-	73	30,0
Total realized invest gain/loss							
Total unrealized invest gain/loss							
Camping:							
Camp revenues	-	15,905	270,274	1,800	20,848	277,885	492,5
Camp trading post sales	-	19,178	11,248	-	19,178	15,826	51,0
Camp TP cost of goods sold	-	(3,196)	(6,948)	-	(3,196)	(9,529)	(28,0
Camp refunds and discounts	-	(70)	-	-	(70)	(1,726)	(1,5
Net camping revenue	-	31,816	274,574	1,800	36,759	282,457	514,0
Activities:							
Activity revenues	-	51	12,321	9,300	32,706	24,195	32,8
Activity trading post sales	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Activity TP cost of goods	-	-	-	-	-	(303)	(3
Activity refunds and discounts	-	-	-	-	-	(70)	
Net activity revenue	-	51	12,321	9,300	32,706	23,822	33,0
Other revenue	4,575	923	417	27,450	46,221	144,624	54,9
Total revenue	4,575	33,840	290,468	47,300	123,804	464,377	661,6
tal support and revenue	14,425	38,654	343,653	205,550	286,706	683,467	918,1

Employee compensation:

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Comparative Statement of Budgeted Operations - Unrestricted -Period Ending: June 30, 2023

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Operating Fund		Current Period			Year to Date			
	Budget	Actual	Last Year	Budget	Actual	Last Year	Budget	
Salaries	43,546	15,770	64,554	136,275	82,699	239,646	288,55	
Employee benefits	6,678	2,781	9,538	40,068	20,144	51,055	80,1	
Payroll taxes	2,658	1,444	5,053	15,950	7,504	23,847	34,50	
Employee related	-	-	10	-	-	2,216	2,5	
Total employee compensation	52,882	19,995	79,155	192,293	110,347	316,764	405,6	
Other Expenses:								
Professional fees	8,250	4,650	1,386	49,500	24,919	27,539	99,0	
Program and other supplies	70,354	3,517	27,730	77,325	9,262	44,733	201,7	
Telephone and communications	733	1,208	1,129	4,400	4,197	6,971	8,8	
Postage and shipping	717	(3)	935	2,800	511	2,866	5,3	
Occupancy	2,855	8,711	4,433	11,730	18,302	13,407	27,8	
Rental and maintenance of equi	1,633	3,681	2,409	7,600	6,057	7,515	13,0	
Publication and media	267	429	1,295	2,350	3,064	5,053	7,6	
Travel	3,004	1,817	3,535	16,025	6,803	20,653	32,9	
Conferences and meeting	-	-	-	-	-	(641)	2,0	
Recognition and awards	375	3,369	4,558	3,700	6,327	14,694	19,9	
Interest	2,167	2,839	1,797	13,000	16,828	10,240	26,0	
Insurance	1,417	3,202	1,327	8,500	9,984	14,092	20,0	
Other	3,458	1,918	1,333	10,010	17,762	15,582	19,7	
National charter and serv fees	1,250	2,046	1,886	7,500	8,186	10,825	15,0	
Total other expenses	96,480	37,384	53,754	214,440	132,202	193,530	498,8	
Total expenses	149,362	57,378	132,908	406,733	242,549	510,294	904,5	
us (deficit) UR revenue/expense	(134,937)	(18,725)	210,744	(201,183)	44,158	173,173	13,5	

Net assets summary

Unrestricted net assets - end of period					(525,119)	(425,109)	
Change in unrestricted net assets	(134,937)	(20,025)	218,025	(201,183)	86,141	205,178	13,535
Transfers between funds	-	(1,300)	7,281	-	41,983	32,005	
Adjustments to net assets		-	-		-	-	
Change in net assets from operations	(134,937)	(18,725)	210,744	(201,183)	44,158	173,173	13,535
Unrestricted net assets - beginning of year					(611,260)	(630,287)	

----- End of Statement ------

Virginia Headwaters Council, BSA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes June 15, 2023 – Zoom Meeting – 7:00 PM

Presiding: Steve Hammond, Council President

Present: Larry Mellinger, Cindy Zollman, Mike White, Audrey Storm, Roger Burke, Matt Phillippi, John Taylor, Marc Monfalcone

Staff: Sue Hart

Call to Order: Steve called the meeting to order at 7:00pm announced there was a quorum present.

Decisions and Actions:

• Motion to approve the Board meeting minutes from April and May 2023 May Financials. Motion was moved by Marc Monfalcone and seconded by John Taylor. There were no further questions or discussions. Motion was approved by all.

• Motion to move the endowment fund from Vanguard to BSAAM. Motion was moved by Mike White and was seconded by Steve Hammond. There were no further questions or discussions. Motion was approved by all.

• Motion to accept the selection committee for the Scout Executive as: Cindy Zollman, Steve Hammond, Jim Lansing, Pete Fenlon, John Taylor, Mike White, Ken Young, Matt Phillippi, Will Hill and Audrey Storm. Motion was moved by Marc Monfalcone and was seconded by John Taylor. There were no further questions or discussions. Motion was approved by all.

Reports and Discussions:

• State of the Council Report was shared by Mike White

• Officer reports have been shared in the google drive and it is recommended that board members spend some time reading over some of those reports.

• In the state of the Council report there is a lot of green, which shows some positive movement.

• Membership follows a bell shaped curve and we are at the bottom of that curve and it is not expected to get lower then that.

• Membership was shared by Audrey.

• Commented that she knows at least 10 new Scouts that need to register.

• Reminded group that membership recruitment is not about recruiting only in the Fall, but that it is year-round. Continues to encourage units to share their events for other units to participate in.

• The Special Events report was shared by Mike and Cindy Zollman

• A deep dive needs to be reviewed and focus on a plan to meet the \$110k goal. Monticello is at 77%, Mtn Valley is at 40% and Executive Board is at 115% of goal.

• There were three special events thus far and we are tracking behind in goals.

- Summer Camp Report is at 850 registered.
- It is still tracking the same as last year.

• Board FOS pledges are nearly at 100% but we are short six individual gifts/pledges from board members. This leaves the board at just over 85%.

• The Endowment balance is at \$954,027. We are waiting to receive May's update. We are up about 4% from the beginning of the year.

• The treasurer's report is shared by Matt Phillippi

• Referenced that the full report is in google drive. Most of the funds coming in is still from the deferred camp revenue. The council is also saving money by not filling positions and cutting costs in other areas. Next month's debts, in the report, should show a lot less then this month. Transition to Pendleton Bank has been on the move from United Bank.

• Approval of April and May Meeting Minutes and Financials was conducted by Steve Hammond.

• Reports

- No Report from Roger on Commissioner Service.
- Council Office Status was shared by Steve
- As of today, the office at Hopeman Parkway is no longer. The office is officially at 617 Greenville Ave.
- \$309k was deposited at Pendleton Bank which will be put towards the LOC for Blue Ridge and United Bank.
- Scout Executive Selection Committee

• If the Council does not have a Scout Executive then the National Office would charge the Council to pay for the services of the Territory Director on a monthly basis. To work around this issue the board would like to move forward with selecting a candidate through a nominating committee. Steve recommends the following candidates: Jim Lansing, Pete Fenlon, John Taylor, Mike White, Ken Young, Matt Phillippi and Will Hill.

• It was noted to include female representation in which Cindy Zollman and Audrey Storm recommended they join the committee, and it was accepted.

• Executive Board Retreat

• Mike shared that a date and location for the Board Retreat has been identified as a one day event on Saturday, November 11th, 2023 at Apex Clean Energy in Charlottesville.

- Business
- Larry presented a motion to move the Endowment Fund to BSAAM.
- Closing comments by the following:

• Sue Hart: Commented that she has been in communication with camp leadership on a daily basis and ensuring they are staying on budget. Praises Cindy for all the hard work she's been doing out at the Trading Post.

• Steve Hammond: It's good to hear about camp. Jay, Mike and Steve met last august about camp and there were numerous debates about the length of camp. We decided on 4 weeks. Camp is our most tangible offering we have for our Scouts. Encourages each of us to visit camp and spend \$50-60 in the trading post and pay \$10 to eat in the dining hall. Please make note that we will be at Camp on July 20th for the board meeting.

• Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Hart Assistant Scout Executive

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Approved:

Date:_____

Steve Hammond, President



Technology & Communications Committee

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EXISTING WEB SITES

- · Discussed missing camp content with Camp Director & Ranger
- Minor content updates

BLACK PUG TRANSITION

- Held training on facilities and camp rental (outside of summer camp), scheduled training for events and customer service followup.
- Setup campsites in BlackPug, working on rest of camp facilities
- · Working to setup new events in BPS
- WPEngine account setup and <u>ShenandoahLodge.org</u> ported
- · Rough information architecture/content map laid out
- NEXT:
 - Design concepts for Council & Camp home pages.
 - Continue training on various modules
 - · Send out survey to unit leaders and volunteers (this week)
 - Need to coordinated with Terry to setup new merchant account to move everything to (cheaper setup)

GOOGLE WORKSPACE

- · Need approval to shift email MX records (Sue)
- Collecting brand and marketing materials to include on the workspace Google Drive
- NEXT:
 - Finalize plan for accounts/use
 - Setup Google Drive structure
 - Create some basic training material
 - Shift primary domain of workspace to <u>virginiaheadwaters.org</u>

OTHER AREAS

- Recruiting people to volunteer as part of the web project, overall committee
- Pulling together social media accounts and looking at SOPs for posting/publishing (editorial calendar)
- Researching fiber optic availability for Camp Shenandoah (on current build out, no date for availability)
- Looking at email deliverability on all domains (SPF/DKIM records)

John Athayde VP Technology & Communications john@athayde.com 202-285-3544 (m)

Survey for Volunteers/Unit Leaders

Name Do you volunteer at (unit, district, council, camp, lodge, other) Role(s) Unit(s)

Communication Prefs Do you use email for scouting purposes? Do you use SMS for scouting purposes? Do you use chat (web or apps such as Slack, WeChat, etc), if so which ones? Do you use social media for scouting purposes? If so which ones? (FB, Instagram, Twitter, LinkedIn, Other) Do you use phone trees for scouting purposes? What is your preference for receiving communications from the council? Unit? Camp? Lodge?

Does your unit have a website? If so, what did you use to build it? Who maintains it? What problems do you have creating and maintaining your website? What technology improvements would make your unit recruiting easier? What would make your unit communications easier? What things do you put on your website? [multicheck with other]

Do you have a domain for your unit? Do you have email accounts setup on that domain?

What difficulties or frustrations have you had with receiving information from the council? What difficulties or frustrations have you had with council technology solutions? National technology solutions (online advancement, scout book, lodge master, etc)?

Do you read the Council Newsletter, the Tributary? Before this survey, had you heard of the Tributary? If you've read it, how do you feel about the content and its timeliness?

How do you feel about event communication (e.g. Apple Harvest, Aviation Day, Klondike Derby)

How do you feel about Camp Shenandoah communication around summer camp How do you feel about Camp Shenandoah year-round usage/rental How do you feel about the Leaders' Guide How do you feel about pre-camp technology (class signup etc) How do you feel about post-camp technology (blue card retrieval, etc)

Do you use any of the mobile apps provided by National

- Scoutbook
- Scouting
- 0A
- Other

What information do you wish you could more easily get from the council/camp/lodge? How would you like to receive it?

Free form area for any other comments, concerns, etc

VAHC May DEI committee meeting minutes May 31st, 2023

Present: Anne Blair, Jim Echols, Audrey Storm, Steve Brown, Renee Brown

- 1. We learned that Cub Scouts can now officially be co-ed from Lions through Webelos. Arrow of Lights still has to have technically separate dens between male and female Scouts.
- 2. Camp Shenandoah Update: Anne presented a brief DEI training to Camp Staff at the beginning of their training week. We heard feedback from more than one camp staff that it was appreciated. Anne included feedback from Audrey about the need to include upstander training to camp staff about how to effectively intervene. This included simply saying "ouch" when unsure what to do, and the 4 D's of upstander training (See below)
- 3. Camp Update #2: A few minor DEI related concerns have been brought up at camp and Anne has been able to offer up feedback and support to camp leadership. Solutions have been found and camp staff have expressed feeling supported. Camp Director will continue to consult with Anne/committee as needed.
- 4. Audrey reported that progress on converting stalls in the shower house to single unisex private stalls continues as our volunteer architect is still working on drawings. Jim continued to emphasize the need for a capital campaign to make bigger changes to shower/bathroom facilities as well as other large needs at camp.
- 5. The book "BlindSpot:Hidden Biases of Good People" by Binaji & Greenwald was recommended as a good resource to read.
- 6. Going forward: Discussed areas still to be worked on going forward for the committee.
 - a. Making Scouting more welcoming to women and girls
 - b. Supporting Scouts with special needs, including ADHD, autism, physical, and mental limitations
 - c. Finding and reaching diverse leaders, and diverse scouts
 - d. Having marketing materials show diverse leaders and scouts, but also following up with actually having diverse scouts and leaders present is also important.
 - e. Seeing the shower house/bathroom conversions through to support gender diverse scouts, whether on a smaller or bigger scale.

- 7. Anne expressed interest in allowing someone else to lead the committee going forward after the fall, as she has been helming the committee for two and a half years now. Jim suggested that meetings can be reduced to every other month to decrease the load. If anyone would like to pick up the reins let her know!
- 8. New member update: Anne has been chatting with work colleague Lerice Vetter about potentially joining the work of our committee. We hope she will say yes!
- 9. Next Committee meeting: Wednesday, July 26th, 7 to 8pm. Zoom link: https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/87800732799?pwd=UFRRNWJ3LzM1bFhwODA2R2dYS2VBUT09

4 D's of Upstander Intervention

Direct: Confront the person doing the behavior in a calm, respectful, and assertive manner.

- 1. Tone matters- Calling in vs. Calling out
- 2. Separate intent from impact
- 3. Separate behavior from the person.
- 4. Easy call in: "Ouch!"

Distract: Provide an opportunity for the victim to exit the situation. "Hey, I need your help with something over here."

Delegate: When you don't feel like you can handle the situation yourself, get help from another camp staff, or camp leadership team.

Delay: When intervening does not feel safe, circle back around to check on the victim later to see if they are ok and need additional support.

"Hi, I saw what happened back there. I did not think it was right and I wanted to check in to see if you are ok."

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Youth Activities:

- Cub Resident Camp was held from June 18-20. 35 Cubs (with their parents) enjoyed a variety of activities from crafts, swimming, fishing, shooting sports and rockets. The camp enjoyed two campfires and some liquid sunshine. Many positive comments were made from numerous families. A survey was sent out this week for feedback and we are working on setting a date for the future.
- Webelos Resident Camp was held from June 21-24. The number of scouts increased by over 25% from last year. The weather was not our friend but it did not dampen the spirits of those in attendance.
- Scouts BSA Camp Report will be given by the camping committee but as a Scoutmaster of T2020, we had a fantastic time!
- The Contingent for Jamboree will depart on Wednesday, July 19th with Edmund Potter and Joanne Norford serving as Scoutmasters.
- Aviation Day registration has reopened for the new date of September 9th.

Adult Activities:

- BALOO and IOLS training was held during camp.
- Wood Badge Staff Development 1 and 2 have been held. The staff is working together well and are excited to deliver a stellar program.
- As on July 17th, there are 26 participants signed up for the course. The 30 by 30 mark will be hit soon and then the push for a full course of 48.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey Stakem