

Joplin NYI District Council Meeting Minutes



Date: January 26, 2008

Attendees: Fred Toomey, Sally Beach, Kevin Binam, Ben Moore, Al Penner, Ruth Penner, Brian Murrison, Ken Hopkins, Jeff Dillow, Dale Samuels, Ana Marquez, Jennifer Swearingin, Shari Kline, Angela Young, Sarah Hunt, Preston Samuels, , James Keezer, Brian Shelton, Mary Rush, Moriah Dillow Patrick Traul, Selena Freeman

Not in Attendance: Riley Ledford*, Ben Beach, Corey Beach, Kyle Rogers*, Rob Gosen, , Lisa Downs*, Landon Letsinger, Chris Rogers

*Report sent

Guests: Ragan Shubert, Jeremy Culbertson

Assignments:

- Council: Timothy Award Nominations
- Council: 2008-2009 Budgets and Dates Submitted by Mar 1st to Fred and Kevin
- Council: Think through and pray about possible nominations
- Council: Get Highlight info in on time!
- Council: Join and add items to Thyworks group
- Council: Prepare next Council Meeting reports
- Council: Reminder to use Expense forms for reimbursements.
- Council: Remind people to use Church registration form.
- Council: Pick camp week ahead and let Angela know
- Council: Inform Ana if you are interested in having Carthage Hispanics come and visit your church.
- Ben M.: Compile resource list—could be a topic on ThyWorks, include fundraisers.
- Fred: Missions WACO letter out to pastors and on web.
- ~~Ben M/Fred: Highlight information regarding Mission Waco Deadline, Big Chap, Zone Mission Svc~~
- Fred: Order Timothy Award?
- Brian M.: Check into liability regarding loaned vehicles. Encourage churches to provide a driver.
- Angela/Fred: Contract for Big Chap, Contact.
- Angela: Contact Rick regarding speaker change.
- Sarah Hunt: Coordinate district work project for District Assembly—possibly with Hispanic youth?
- Fred: Double check Overflow dates for Children's Missions Day.
- Council: Coach Roster needs filled.
- Fred/Ben: Take Brian S off of Max info.
- Jennifer S/Shari: Contact person from Monett reg: Fuel.
- Council: Think about possible Breakout sessions for Convention. Email Sally with ideas.
- Ben: Make videos for camp promoting upcoming events.
- James and Fred: Lists out of who checked basketball for Qualifying, send out note that there is not tryout.
- Fred: Appoint committees regarding Empower options.
- Ben: Take Brian Shelton information off of Contact list, and Fred's City Utilities email address.
- Fred: Email Ben M. Additional reports that were submitted (Riley, Lisa D.)

Devotions: Fred opened in prayer. Fred gave devotional and teaching on the next chapter of *7 Habits of Effective Ministries: Listening to Others*. Key points: Who do we listen to? Who are the outsiders we listen to? Luke 14:12-14 was read. Dale closed devotional time in prayer.

During the meeting we were encouraged to have our thoughts glorify God.

Minutes: Motion by Kevin B. to accept the minutes. Dale-2nd. Approved from the August 2007 Meeting with the no revisions:

Financial Report (Kevin): Current Checking balance \$21, 082.94 Savings Balance: \$20,165.98 We have only received about 30% of budget monies from the district. Motion to accept treasurers report- Ben 2nd-AI Approved.

DIRECTOR REPORTS:

Convention (Sally): Convention will be held at Carthage 1st, July 11-12. . Forms will now need to be sent to Sally at the Garnett Church address: 258 Park Road, Garnett, KS 66032. New forms will be available on the website this month. Possible Speaker: Brady Franklin. Use of bands from Empower is encouraged.

NLA (AI & Ruth): NLA Dates: July 11-District Convention, July 13-Pittsburgh, KS; July 19-Fort Scott WP; July 20 a.m.Garnett; Aug 2-Neodesha; Aug 3 a.m.-Springfield 1st; p.m.-Mt. Grove. 13 students (6 guys/7 girls)

Missions (Brian M): Cost of mission trip is \$390. Current number registered 7. Several from other churches have inquired. Application deadline is March 15th for first \$100, with April 15th all monies must be in. Pastor of Waco Nazarene church agreed to help be central.

Mission Work Day (at District Assembly): Sarah Hunt will help coordinate this event, with council help.

Quizzing (Ken): Ken shared his testimony, and gave a detailed report. *See attached.*

PK Retreat (Jeff & Moriah) 30 kids at PK retreat. Location had changed. Positive feedback. Next year is ready to go. Back at Maranatha for 2nd Weekend in January for 2009. Tim Dillow is scheduled to speak with Landon doing music.

Zone Director Zone mission rallies. No information is available. Iola is the only zone with one scheduled. (Parsons had one in the fall) How do we receive JFANG/missions monies. Is this position accomplishing the win? Some (smaller) churches benefit from seeing the zone come together. Should this be district wide event? 30 hour famine weekend as a district? Brian M. made motion to let zone service to not make a push for zone mission services. Those that want to plan, may. 2nd-AI. Approved.

Hispanic Ministries (Ana) 4 Hispanic churches. 45 teens in these four churches. Youth Revival in May for all Hispanic ministries. Youth service on Feb 16. Family Camp in July. Would like to have Carthage Hispanic teens involved with other youth groups (non-Hispanic) and local churches.

Communications (Ben): Highlight information should be sent to by the 15th for the month listed. CD's in fall were helpful. Website working well for forms and updates. ThyWorks group is up.

Fuel 08, Drive 07 (Jennifer, Shari) Flyers handed out at Empower. Haven't had any response. They do have a Facebook site. Many of the dates conflict with our own events. Drive07-several with Carthage went.

YES (Selena) Regional has not set a date. Joplin District will have one in Summer 09.

Empower/Max (Brian S. / James K) A review of how Empower came to happen, it's stated mission, win, and purpose. Since Empower, MAX has changed to having each district determines qualifications at MAX. How does this impact Empower

212 students attended.

Comments heard:

Positives:

- longer weekend and getting to hang out—fellowship time

- many liked Big Chap
- Friday night was not as stressed—with not jumping into Sports, Fine Arts.
- no negatives from hotels, facilities, Springfield Grace
- greater emphasis on Spiritual development
- Fine arts felt more important, used in services.
- College students that participated had a positive experience.

Negatives

- not having a spring event to see friends.
- basketball players not able to be able to play.
- 2 Sr. Pastors didn't want to lose momentum by losing "workers" on Sunday a.m.
- Lunch on Sunday brought confusion, was there supposed to be lunch provided?
- Connection to Max, new MAX format confusing; lack of interest/Momentum for MAX
- \$60 up front appeared steep. (+housing)
- Two nights hotels
- Sunday a.m. service conflicts.
- Distance between event locations.
- Lack of competition was demoralizing.

Straw vote to keep event as it is: 0

Make any level of Changes: All

Brian suggested a greater understanding of details before making changes.

Discussion ideas:

Fall retreat + Fine Arts, most sports on a different day in March.

Rent a campground in March. (clears calendar)

Qualification event (coaches take top students, but can add later.)

Most students who go into ministry will use fine arts.

Qualification: Jeff D. motioned to make district sports and fine arts events as qualifying events. 2nd – Brian.
Approved. No Votes: All.

Motion to form two committees to gather details for two proposals: two separate events (fine art in falls, sports spring), or one event at a campground. Included details locations, costs, and misc. details. 2nd- Brian M.
Approved.

Things we learned: 2 \$30 events are better than one \$60 event. Students want to connect with the friends on district.

Max registrations due March 1st to James Keezer.

Dale: Motion that remaining Empower funds be placed in general fund to be designated by NYI council at a later date. 2nd- Moriah. Approved.

Camp (Angela): Rep group from MNU—contact made, waiting on MNU. Possible Missionaries for camp have been contacted. How do we find missionaries that relate to teens? Sponsor applications will be needed—planning with cabins. Registration-church form, with check from church to pay for all students is to be sent in for pre-registration. Junior High and Senior High Cabins/small groups separated. One sponsor registers. District NYI leaders should pick a week ahead.

Dale made a motion excess Empower funds to bring in Big Chap as camp speaker for both weeks. 2nd-Kevin B. (Rick P. is alright with this.) Approved.

How do we "reclaim" camp?

Other issues to think through: Missionary, Free time, late free time.
Some churches have said, "We're back on board with camp."

College & Career (Kyle, Dale).

Event Additional information

1. Fall Event- Souled Out (Back to School event)
2. Winter Ski Trip
3. Summer Camp 08

We have seen the first two take place with great success and are planning for summer camp.

- We kicked off the fall semester with an event called Souled Out. Jeff Dillow and his band played polka music for the event. No, I'm just playin, it was stuff he wrote. We had dodgeball, small groups, and pizza. It was a great night and we were able to cast the vision for the college ministries.
- Just a couple weeks ago we took 11 college students and 2 adult leaders to Frisco, Colorado for a ski trip. The skiing was a side note of what took place that week. Great share times in the evenings, relationships were formed, and students opened up about situations in their lives as well as where and what God is calling them to do and be. It was a laid back time of fun, fellowship, and growth in the Lord. I can easily see us adding more students for next year's trip.
- Summer Camp 08. We are praying and planning that this event would be a time where college students would be able to come and relax in a laid back setting and grow closer to God and form relationships that would give them a network of support. If you have any questions about summer camp see Dale. He is heading this event up. Keep praying for the college students of the Joplin District.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Website – Thy Works: Up and running. www.thyworks.com Group name: Joplin NYI. Pictures from Empower are up.

Calendar Updates - New Fuel date in Vancouver.

Nominating Committee: Executive Council, Volunteers: Sarah Hunt, Angela Patrick To be done by email. This year we elect General Delegates. Brian M motioned to accept these names for nominating committee. 2nd- Ruth, Approved.

Discussion on appointing or electing executive council members for next year. Motion to make executive council meeting by appointment. 2nd – Shari. Approved.

Timothy Award: People are to think through possible nominations. Some suggestions were made. Brian M. made a motion to spend \$\$ get a Timothy Award(s) at 2008 convention. 2nd- Patrick. Names can be sent to Fred.

Resources to share: Have material to share with other youth groups? Could be old video curriculum, books, etc.

Charter Revisions: None Submitted

Overflow: New dates. Oct 9-11 at Fun in the Son. Our Council meeting will be Saturday of Overflow.

The Core: Youth Specialties training is in Springfield this Spring.

Budget proposals and Dates to be submitted by Mar 1

Next meeting scheduled for May 17.

Kevin motioned to adjourn. Brian 2nd. Approved.