

OMA – UCC
Spring Meeting
March 30-31, 2009
N-Sid-Sen

Minutes

Attendance: Bruce Druckenmiller, Jeremy Force, Leslie Desrosiers, Kathy Duckworth, Kaila Russell, Charles Stark, Glenn Svetnicka, Ira Williams, Kelly Burd, and Bill Bourdon

The next meeting of the board will begin with committee meetings of the Consult team on November 2nd, other board members on the 3rd, Consult November 5-9, OMA – UCC Board meeting on the 9th, with the 10th being a travel day. Please plan to arrive around 4 PM and depart from Spokane around noon.

November 2008 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved, with the notation that we were to arrive at N-Sid-Sen on April 29th, not 28th.

Kelly Burd gave us an update on some of her work. She and Thom have been working on the UCC Youth and Young Adult survey. She has also secured a listing on the UCC webpage for OMA.

Consult Planning Team Report:

Bruce passed out a report outlining the event, scheduled for November 2009 at N-Sid-Sen. Keynote speakers will be Dr. Robbie Paul, Washington State University: "Sacred Spaces, Sacred Stories", and Gary Foster, National YMCA: "Best Camp Practices".

The \$17,500 budget is built on 50 full-fare participants at \$250.00 each, a leadership team of five at \$170.00 per person, and the balance from the Board of Directors discretionary funds. Transportation from Spokane is estimated at \$25.00 per person, using 15-passenger vans. In-Care students will be eligible to attend at a reduced rate.

Treasurer's Report:

Kathy presented the report. To date we have \$12,271.49 in the account and anticipate another draft of \$11,000.00 from National. A finance committee consisting of Jeremy, Leslie, Bill and Kathy was asked to meet over break and to put together an OMA budget. Kathy's report was approved as presented. Ira will be sending out an additional membership dues statement letting people know that if they wish to be eligible for a 2009 Deering Grant the fees are due by June 1. In the future, dues will be due March 31st of each year.

Constitution and By-Laws Committee Report:

The special committee of Jeremy, Glenn and Bill presented a proposed editing of our current by-laws and constitution. After some constructive additions, the revisions were approved by the Board of Directors and will be mailed out to the membership for their approval in November. The significant changes are moving from fourteen to ten members, and dropping the regional representation aspect of board membership. We want national balance and diversity and feel that the region qualification is too limiting.

National Church Website:

Now that we have a page on the national website, it is our wish to have it be more helpful and more interactive. Charles, Ira and Kelly will work at updating the site.

OMA Website:

Ira has offered to assist Charles with the website, and the board has asked Charles to give us a price for continuing to host.

The resignation of **Barb Doerrer-Peacock**, Southwest Conference, 4423 N 24th St., Phoenix AZ 85016, from the Board of Directors was accepted. The secretary will send a card of appreciation.

Listing on the **OMA Website and 2009 Dues**: It was voted that the website only list those sites who paid their 2008 dues. To be included in the 2009 listing, dues must be received by June 1, 2009. Individual members will not be listed, and members will be able to choose how their membership is listed, i.e. Conference *or* Camp, but not both.

Dues are set at \$100.00 for individuals, \$250.00 for program centers and/or conferences, and \$500.00 for businesses.

Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee presented a budget for 2010-2001 and it was affirmed by consensus. The budget will be shared for information at the November business meeting. See addendum.

Board Membership:

We are anticipating that the smaller board size will be approved in November. The board accepted Kelly Steever's resignation, and knows that Charles is in the last year of his term. With all of this in mind, it appears that we need someone from the Central Time Zone. Three names were suggested: Linda Bower from KO, Ann from Pilgrim

Heights, and Dave from DuBois. Kaila and Glenn, serving as the membership committee, will solicit a candidate.

Deering Grants:

Three members of the Board of Directors who submitted requests from their sites were excused as the eight grant applications were reviewed. The committee felt that many of the requests were worthy and that we needed additional information from a few. Bill and Jeremy were asked to follow up on the requests and to then let National and the grant committee know who to fund using 2008 money. The grant committee will get more explicit directions out to eligible members for 2009 grants. Bill, Jeremy and Kathy Will work on 2009 grant application criteria and will email it to the board prior to the application going out on June 1.

Future Grant Committees and Procedures:

The board passed a motion that in the future a grant reading committee would be formed by the President of the board and three additional OMA members who had received grants the previous year and as such are not eligible to receive grants two consecutive years. Grant requests are due each year by October 1, with awards being made in the first quarter of the following year. Applications should be mailed out by June 1 and shall go to all UCC OMA member program sites that have paid the current year's dues.

Our representative to the National Council of Churches board has asked for reimbursement for meeting related expenses. With two-thirds of Deering funds now under the direction of OMA, National feels that the expense needs to be covered by OMA-controlled funds. We are asking that in the future we receive a proposed annual expense budget as well as a report. The board approved the expense of \$1,975.12, and requested that the 2008 Deering Grant funds the expense this year.

Ira presented a letter from Kathy Greene outlining the website that the Pension Boards is working on to assist with boundary training for camp staff.

Jeremy reported that he is working with the WCM missionaries Doug and Lois Searles to facilitate a camp experience in Poland in 2010.

Addendum:

1. Budget
2. Recipes from N-Sid-Sen

Hash Brown Quiche

Fannie Hatcher July 1982

24 oz. Hash browns (I use grated raw potatoes)
1/3 cup melted butter

Grease a pan; place grated potatoes in bottom; top with melted butter. Bake at 425° for 25 minutes.

Top with:

1 cup hot pepper cheese, grated
1 cup Swiss cheese, grated
1 cup diced cooked ham.

Mix together:

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup milk
2 eggs
 $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. Seasoned salt

Pour over above layers and bake at 350° for 30-40 minutes.

Apple Raisin Wild Rice Pilaf for 24

4 cups raw wild rice
6 cups water
12 cups apple cider

Rinse the rice in hot water, then combine with 6 cups water and 12 cups apple cider and bring to boil. Stir and simmer for 40 minutes. Drain.

24 T butter
2 C almonds
2 C raisins

3 t salt
2 t pepper
2 t cinnamon
1 t nutmeg
4 large apples, pared, cored and diced.

Melt butter in skillet and add almonds and raisins; cook 'til almonds are toasted. Add remaining ingredients and sauté for several minutes, then add rice and put in pan to heat in oven.

Cereal Recipe

12 Servings

2 qt water
1c bulgar
1 c rolled wheat
2 1/3 c oats

37 Servings

6 qt water
3 c bulgar
3 c rolled wheat
6 1/2 c oats

62 Servings

10 qt water
5 c bulgar
5 c rolled wheat
10 2/3 c oats

87 Servings

14 qt water
7 c bulgar
7 c rolled wheat
15 1/3 c oats

25 Servings

4 qt water
2 c bulgar
2 c rolled wheat
4 1/3 c oats

50 Servings

8 qt water
4 c bulgar
4 c rolled wheat
8 2/3 c oats

75 Servings

12 qt water
6 c bulgar
6 c rolled wheat
13 c oats

100 Servings

16 qt water
8 c bulgar
8 c rolled wheat
17 1/3 c oats

1. Bring water to a boil - remember that it takes a long time to bring large quantities of water to a boil - start with HOT water!
2. 30 minutes before serving add bulgar
3. 20 minutes before serving add rolled wheat
4. The recipe, as it is written, says to add oats 30 minutes before serving. It could be that this is an error, and it may be either 20 minutes or 10 minutes.
5. Stir well after adding oats and occasionally until serving.