

## OUTDOOR MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

of the Virlina District Board - Church of the Brethren, Inc.

6:45pm, Friday, August 24, 2018 at the DRC *updated 8/27/2018 11:51 AM*



6:00pm OMEC Budget Meeting: **"Resolved, that the Outdoor Ministries Executive Committee recommends to the Outdoor Ministries Committee of the Virlina District Board - Church of the Brethren, Inc. the adoption of the Camp Bethel 2019 Budget as presented."**

**6:45: OMC** (circle): Naomi Powers (Chair), Stephanie Naff (Vice-Chair), Allison Mullins (Secretary), Zach Tabor (Finance Chair), ~~Carol Hinton (Program Chair)~~, Charles Huffman (Property Chair), Bill Broyles, ~~Emely D'Oleo~~ absent, Sharon Flora, Sam Foster, Junior King, Sam Light, Alli Yingling, Barry LeNoir (ex-officio).

I. Devotions, personal sharing, and prayer - Allison Mullins.

II. Approval of the Agenda - Naomi Powers.

III. Minutes: June 19, 2018. - Allison Mullins.

IV. Reports and Information:

A. District Board - OMEC Chair, Naomi Powers.

B. "Seed, Scattered & Sown" Mission Resource Campaign - Stephanie Naff.

1. As of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018, we have \_\_\_\_\_ toward our \$750,000 Victory Goal and our \$1,000,000 Challenge Goal, with \$341,890 received.

2. Congregational Phase of Seed Scattered and Sown Campaign - Naomi Powers.

C. Subcommittees:

1. Finance Sub-Committee - Zach Tabor.

a. Camp Bethel Income/Expense data as of 07/31/2018.

b. Status of our March 13, 2018 \$14,500 "loan" to ourselves (12 yes out of 12 votes).

Status of July 31, 2018 "loans" of \$30,000 & \$30,000 from Nolley and Seed, respectively.

2. Program Sub-Committee & Summer Camps Report - Barry LeNoir.

3. Property Sub-Committee - Charles Huffman.

a. RV Village update - Barry LeNoir.

D. Camp Director's Report - Barry LeNoir. Ministered to 1,195 children & youth in summer 2018. Excellent program and powerful worships and Bible studies. Demographic shift to younger campers, and 2018 saw 74 fewer on-site campers, 54 more traveling day campers. We will re-evaluate our Traveling Day Camp model for 2019.

V. Old OMC Business - Naomi Powers.

A. Virlina District van safety policies. - Naomi. **UPDATE:** Stewardship Commission update.

B. Review and Update of the Camp Bethel Master Site Plan. **No Update.** (Documents are available as PDF at [www.virlinafuture.org](http://www.virlinafuture.org)). Barry has not yet created a revised document.

C. Personnel: Hiring of Wesley Shrader. - Naomi Powers and Barry LeNoir.

D. Other Old Business:

VI. New OMC Business - Naomi Powers.

A. Discussion: Delaying hiring of Guest Services Coordinator - Barry LeNoir

B. 2019 Proposed Camp Bethel Budget - Zach Tabor & Barry LeNoir: **"Resolved, that the Outdoor Ministries Committee recommends to the Virlina District Board - Church of the Brethren, Inc. the adoption of the Camp Bethel 2019 Budget as presented."**

C. Other New Business: Credit Card approval for Food Services Coordinator. Securing contract for A-frames metal roofing ASAP before price of metal increases due to US "trade war."

VII. Prayer and dismissal - Naomi Powers.

### Next OMC meetings:

**November 9-10, 2018:** Virlina District Conference, Bonsack Baptist.

**December 1, 2018 (Sat):** Virlina District Board/OMC day at Camp Bethel.

## June 19, 2018, OMC Minutes

Outdoor Ministries Committee of the Virlina District Board met at 6:00pm on Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at Camp Bethel with the following members in attendance: Naomi Powers (Chair), Stephanie Naff (Vice-Chair), Allison Mullins (Secretary), Zach Tabor (Finance Chair), Carol Hinton (Program Chair), Charles Huffman (Property Chair), Bill Broyles, Sam Foster, Sam Light, Alli Yingling, Barry LeNoir (ex-officio).

Devotions, personal sharing (group singing), and prayer.

Approval of the Agenda was approved by a motion from Charles with a second by Sam and then by committee consensus.

Minutes from August 24, 2017; November 11, 2017 Reorganization; March 13, 2018 email poll; April 17-18, 2018 OMEC & OMC email polls, and May 31, 2018 email poll was approved by a motion from Zach with a second by Stephanie and then by committee consensus.

### Reports and Information:

- E. District Board Executive Committee received a report on Elizabeth at their April 30, 2018 meeting.
- F. District Board met on May 19, 2018:
  - Van Policy back to Stewardship Committee
  - Sam Light was approved for ordination
  - Preliminary talk about expansion of the Virlina District into West Virginia
- G. "Seed, Scattered & Sown" Mission Resource Campaign – Stephanie Naff.
  - 1. Stephanie Naff reported that as of June 5, 2018, 262 supporters have pledged \$507,781 toward our \$750,000 Victory Goal and our \$1,000,000 Challenge Goal, with \$341,890 received. (With an additional \$4,000 received as of today)
  - 2. Naomi Powers reported about the Congregational Phase of Seed Scattered and Sown Campaign that they still are trying to reach all congregations.
- H. Subcommittees:
  - 4. Finance Sub-Committee - Zach Tabor.
    - c. See the Income and Expense reports for 12/31/2017 and 5/31/2018.
    - d. Status of our March 13, 2018 \$14,500 "loan" to ourselves (12 yes out of 12 votes). We have not yet paid ourselves back, and we think it prudent to wait until September to do so since most of our final summer camp/guest camps income arrives in September. **See "New Business, A."**
  - 5. Program Sub-Committee - Carol Hinton.
    - a. Report on April 27-28 Sounds of the Mountains Festival by Allison. Numbers were down this year. Looking forward to 2019 – Donald Davis year.
    - b. 2018 Summer Camps (see reports of Camp Director and Program Coordinator).
    - c. Golf Tournament with dinner set for August 22 – asking for donations of sleeve of balls.
  - 6. Property Sub-Committee - Charles Huffman.
    - b. Members of OMC and Property Committee toured camp earlier today.
    - c. RV Village & Road Improvement Sub-Committee (Bill, Sharon, Charles, Sam L.) to review new preliminary site design for RV Village and make a recommendation. **See "Old Business, B."**

- I. Camp Director's Report and Staff Reports - Barry LeNoir.

### Old OMC Business –

- E. Virlina District van safety policies. – Naomi. **UPDATE:** At their meeting on May 19, the District Board sent the policies back to the Commission on Stewardship. The Board wanted to make aspects of the policies "required" instead of "recommended," so OMC input is necessary to once again alter the policies. **Will be sent via e-mail for review when ready.**

- F. Design work for the planned 15-site RV Village. – Barry. **UPDATE:** See revised preliminary campsites layout as provided by ECI (Engineering Concepts Inc.) of Fincastle, VA (Bobby Wampler) for "Project 17057 Camp Bethel RV Village." (See plan and images at: [www.virlinafuture.org/rv-village](http://www.virlinafuture.org/rv-village)) Contracted amount for Surveying Services is \$5,500 (100% complete and 100% paid), and for Engineering Site Design Services (including submittal for approval by Botetourt County) is \$9,775 (70% complete and \$6,842.50 paid). (Back in sites) The preliminary campsites layout will be reviewed for approval by the RV Village & Road Improvement Plan Sub-Committee (Bill Broyles, Sharon Flora, Charles Huffman, Sam Light, (Barry LeNoir, Mickey Nichols). **This will be done thru an e-mail poll. Upon approval, Barry will inform Bobby Wampler to proceed with submittal to Botetourt County.**
  - G. Review and Update of the Camp Bethel Master Site Plan. **No Update.** (Documents are available as PDF at [www.virlinafuture.org](http://www.virlinafuture.org)). Barry has not yet created a revised document. **Suggestions? Need to have a fresh look at this.**
  - H. Personnel: Dismissal of Elizabeth Haley and subsequent hiring of Wesley Shrader. - Barry LeNoir.
  - I. Discussion of whether or not to pursue the Roanoke Women's Foundation Grant presented to OMC by Kimball Egge in 2016 and researched by Sharon Flora in 2017. **At this time the committee approved by consensus to table this.**
  - J. Other Old Business:
- VI. New OMC Business – Naomi Powers.
- D. "Resolved, regarding the March 13, 2018 loan of \$14,500 to ourselves from the Nolley Escrow, the OMEC recommends to the OMC to delay repayment until September 30, 2018, since most final income from summer camp and guest camps arrives in September. Furthermore, financial reports must note this now through September 30." **This was approved by committee consensus**
  - E. **Discussion: After August 31, Full Time Food Services Coordinator**  
Wes Shrader, Interim Food Services Coordinator through August 31, wishes to continue serving as our Food Services Coordinator after August 31. Wes submitted his resume and an application for the interim position. Wes is doing an excellent job, and he quickly assembled a dedicated and hard-working kitchen team. Barry will continue to evaluate Wes through the summer. On July 25, Barry will send his evaluation of Wes and Wes' written report to the OMEC. On July 30, the OMEC will conduct a face-to-face meeting with Wes here at Camp Bethel.
  - F. **Discussion: "Guest Services and Marketing Coordinator"**  
See packet given. Application is live at [www.CampBethelVirginia.org/GSMC](http://www.CampBethelVirginia.org/GSMC). Send a THANK YOU before July 1 to Beth Heaton, 564 Bethel Road, Fincastle, VA 24090 or <CampBethelOffice@gmail.com>.
  - G. Due to lack of attendance at OMC meetings, the Nominating and Personnel Committee of the District Board will not nominate Emely D'Oleo (18-1) on the 2018 ballot for a second OMC term.
  - H. Other new business: Thank you notes to be sent to all Summer Staff by OMC committee members. Everyone takes 3 people. Stephanie to send e-mail as to whom you are writing your note to.
  - I. If for any reason Food Services Coordinator Wes does not work out, position will be open for application after August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Prayer and dismissal offered by Naomi Powers.

Respectfully submitted by: *Allison Mullins*, OMC Secretary