

MOUNTAIN MAGIC LEADER WEEKEND

MEETING MINUTES

Feb 24, 2015 - 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Attendees

Rebecca, Marie W, Genny, Lianne, Karen McF, Kippy, Rose, Marie N, Kim, Carol T, Frances, Melonie, Sheila, Marie L

We reviewed the feedback from the overall evaluations and compiled these Lessons Learned:

1. lots of people driving around camp. There were those with medical issues, etc. that were supposed to be driving but there were way too many people driving. One of our strings of lights were ruined (driven over). Need barricade put back up on walkway to DH. Need confirmation to state no driving after original unload.
2. Need carts available for loading/unloading - check with Ranger ahead of time to ensure they are available for us to use. (only 1 available).
3. Changes to checkout worked much better this year. Only 2 patches weren't picked up. We also had some trainer gifts not picked up. Better communication with participants so they knew what to expect better.
4. Need Kaper list to match what Ranger was checking us out by. Need less general info, more specific info. Some unit hostesses didn't wait for Ranger to check out.
5. Did signs with furnaces/temp work? Committee didn't notice as many problems. Temperature should be set at the time the signs are posted.
6. Instructors appreciated being able to have classes in the unit they were assigned.
7. Need more emphasis with instructors that they need to allow clean-up time as part of class time.
8. How to handle instructors that won't be asked back - need to establish policy and address people in non-confrontational manner.
9. Last class on Sunday - instructions are to break down tables, but there is a kaper assigned to break down tables and stack chairs.
10. Salad bar worked very well - good location, good flow.
11. Cooks were very accommodating and worked very well with us. Lines were not as long. Melonie did have to remind about bringing out desserts.
12. Reminder - update your committee manual with these lessons before you forget!

13. Decorations creative team did well, but did NOT follow through with set-up and take-down.
14. Silent auction went very well. Good that it was set up in designated area with finite timeframe.
15. Echo Hill was almost all instructors and many bailed early, did not do kapers.
16. New mattresses at Misty Mountain very comfortable!
17. Saturday night participation at parade was fun, but additional stations were not as popular.
18. Jazz Cafe Friday night was supposed to be a drop-in activity, but some people didn't think they could stop in because they weren't signed up.
19. Online Registration was well received by participants, but Marie W didn't like the way the classes were being assigned. Everything manual still had to be done by Marie. We liked the way it would assign folks on the waiting list, but Marie wasn't being notified and it meant she had additional work she didn't know about.
20. The majority of people paid all their fees online. Good and bad. reimbursements for class fees paid in advance? Not enough cash to pay instructor reimbursements, but wrote checks.
21. committee expenses need to go through committee chair for reimbursement.
22. update reimbursement form to show actual vs. budget.
23. Health history forms - don't upload to website, just print and bring with you.
24. Floor plan was given to ranger in advance, and tables were already pre-set, coolers were in place, etc! This was great for us!!
25. Camp map needs to be improved
26. Signage - need sign for BGB driveway, unit signage
27. Recommend buddy system for 1st timers
28. class display in dining hall
29. physical activity throughout day, not just AM
30. designated clean-up time/eating time at meals (no sweeping during eating)
31. Loved parade and supplies being provided
32. announcements - use quiet sign and use mic
33. announce at meal who has kapers and grace for next meal and point out on wall
34. lots of back side of evaluation left out

35. Mountain Magic needs to be advertised to leaders to boost attendance.
36. Would like menu posted on chalkboard at serving line
37. Need "instructor provides" more detailed (not "everything") so participants know what they are getting.
38. More lights along pathway on foggy nights
39. Participants felt rushed having only 15 minutes between classes
40. Participants didn't realize the songbook and graces are online
41. Really enjoyed having new classes offered this year - good to keep a variety
42. Would like Campfire in fireplace with singalong
43. Add extension cords/multi-taps on packing list for charging devices
44. Be more aware of new people and how overwhelming camp can be for newbies
45. More information about designating waitlist if your first choice isn't available.
46. Want more/different council classes
47. Camp employees were awesome!!
48. BGB/SCC cabins are labeled ABC by us, but are 123 on side of building (update our database)

Next event will be held on Jan 22-24, 2016. Theme is 50s/sock hop.

Meeting dates for MM2016 - 4th Tuesday except Nov/Dec/Jan, then it will be 3rd Tuesday. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!