

**OUTDOOR YOUTH PROGRAM
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 17, 2007**

Location: Oregon Marine Board—Salem, Oregon

Board Members Present: Peter F. Green, Gordon Hickey, Gregg Morgan, and Brian Rossiter

Others Present: Kirk Shimeall and Brian MacInnes

DHS Staff Present: Tom van der Veen and Inez Andrus

Approval of May Minute's: Peter Green, Chair, called Meeting to order at 10:08 am.

- Peter Green moved to approve the minutes from June 06, 2007 as submitted. Kirk Shimmel seconded the motion. Approved by the board.

Appointments:

- Brian Rossiter has been official been accepted an Executive Appointed Board Member as of July 1, 2007.
- Tom van der Veen will check to find out about Gregg Morgan's approval of the Board.

Discussion On Revision Of The Mission Statement:

- It is important to have a Mission Statement
- A clear understanding
- To increase the value of the Meetings
- Share current Research Practices, Improves Best Practice benefits for kids.
- Provide administration for Department, monitor activities of Program.
- Improving Public Program, always. Different Offices have different permit advice. Improve Safety and Treatment outcome.
- Principles: Mission Statement. Peter will email out a Draft in an email to Board Members for suggestion on the Mission Statement.

In the Mission Statement, compliance and acceptability with OAR.

A few of the ideas that were discussed on why we meet were:

- What are the most pressing topics?
- On going process threw the Programs so there won't be a surprise on anything.
- What are our goals?
- The reason it was started in the first place.

Statues need to be added to the New Board Member Packet.

Review of Programs:

- Tree of Life—Jim Yahne
 - Jim Yahne has a license for OYP, going with kids in outing; he is waiting for a permit from the BLM.
 - Tree of Life is a program connected with Wilderness Trails
 - Jim is no longer a partner with Palmer Adventure; they are not attempting to get an OYP license.

Programs about Outdoor Youth Programs have been lumped together with Boot Camps.

GAD came and spent time out with Catherine Freer. Four out of five that gave testimonies were pro ainty towards as well as family members. There has been one death in Oregon and two in Nevada.

Oregon has the best regulations in Outdoor Youth Program's. Oregon may have a chance to be a leader in this.

Knapsacks:

- For treading way there is to be 1/3 of the child's weight in their backpack.
- Kirk is going to a Wilderness Conference and will ask about their backpacks.
- Fax to Tom van der Veen exceptions of backpacks and document it for at least a short period of time so it can be assessed.

There was a correction in the minutes of June 6, 2007 from Prevented Crisis Intervention to Positive Control System.

Margaret Wolf followed up with a SRP in August. If you have an issue you want to talk to BLM about, Kathie Bailey has taking Margaret's position.

Outward Bound is not happening.

Next Agenda—January

- Backpacks
- A success story in the Round Table Discussion

Peter Green made a motion to adjourn the Meeting at 12:10 pm and Kirk Shimeall seconded the motion.