

**Minutes of the Campus Meeting**  
**May 5, 2005**

**Meeting brought to order at 9:15**

Andrew, Caroline, Jan, Julie, Graceanna and Peter in attendance

**Session with Rafaela going over Summer Programs, 2004 sheet:**

The pattern as outlined on the sheet which Rafaela made up last year following the 2004 campus meeting will remain basically the same for this year.

It was agreed that we would like the Gould computers to be disconnected. Those needing to use a computer would have access to the computers in Billings or use the available wireless network.

There may be a problem this year in getting sheets distributed to the different dorms. It may be that people will have to pick up their sheets at Gould when they register.

The arrangements for keys and lockup/opening times will be the same as for last year, with the Bolger art building open as needed between from 12 to 5pm, and all the doors in Billings unlocked in the evenings. On Sunday night the upstairs classroom is used by the Families facilitators.

There will be 4 registration tables, which can be folded up and stored until Silent Auction time.

Graceanna needs to know which rooms will be available in Gould. Rafaela will contact her and let her know. Also, Graceanna will check on special needs, for example, for Debbie Orzack and Diane Murphy.

We would like to have an electric golf cart again this year, and Rafaela will arrange for that.

**"Futures" Session with Tom Pratt**

Tom explained that last Friday he learned that the Trustees were seriously thinking of completely rebuilding the heating, electrical system on the Mount Herman campus. The movement of students to that campus will go ahead in September as planned, but 2006 summer activities would take place on the Northfield campus while the heating/electrical renovations were being carried out. Thus, our conference would stay at Northfield for another year.

Nothing has been decided definitely, but Tom will let Andrew know as soon as he gets news, since the outcome definitely affects our planning for the summer program.

Tom agreed that we could arrange for people to tour the Mount Herman campus this coming summer.

Also, he is looking into the possibility that our meeting dates could be later one week, to avoid the difficulties many people are experiencing with the lateness of the end of school this year. It was clear that we could not be on the campus a week after our normal ending on Saturday, so we discussed the possibility that the conference could start on a Saturday (6 days later than we have done in the past), rather than Sunday, and end on Friday, if that was more convenient for Summer School arrangements.

### **Food Discussion with Lee Bourdon**

We agreed that last year's pattern should be repeated, same times, same food. We asked for more coffee and yogurt at breakfast time

Children's snacks should be fruit (no grapes), cinnamon graham crackers, peanut butter. It is not feasible to provide kosher meals. Individuals should bring their own food and Lee will cooperate fully in investigating what regular food items in the dining room are kosher.

### **Report of Planning Chairs:**

Caroline reported that the five conference hour speakers were Ken Potter, Lynette Tucker, Irving Shild, Chris Neill, and Linda Giarla.

Andrew listed the evening activities:

**Monday:** the African dancers,

**Tuesday:** unstructured.

**Wednesday:** coffee house after Roundtop. We need a Master of Ceremonies. Julie will talk with Sam. Kira McGovern, Allison Bishop, and Diane Murphy were suggested. Katie Grillo is not available as she is graduating that night.

**Thursday:** Talent show: Joey and Kyle have agreed to coordinate it, with the help of Wendy DesMarteaux.

**Friday:** unstructured.

Graceanna needs a complete list - names and addresses of conference hour speakers and workshop leaders. Julie will check with Sam, who along with Ron C are coordinating workshops.

Andrew agreed to check with Ron McClain about Lisa Bilotti as a potential teacher, and to provide the list of teachers to Gracanna.

**Programming for the Grapevine - Deadline this weekend!**

**New Home Committee - Andrew**

**Planning Committee** - Caroline

**Executive Committee** - Peter

**Silent Auction** - Julie to call Audrey, Judi Blum

**Personal news** - Jan to contact Ron Cooke about his accident, Andrew's new grandchild, other personal items Debbie can come up with.

**"Not too late to register for Northfield!"** make this a prominent headline on first page

**Next year's Planning Chairs:**

Peter reminded people about the frustrations and distractions of having to find Planning Chairs during the June week. All members of the EC will give some thought to possible names to introduce

**Midwinter Survey:**

This topic had been discussed at the last meeting, but there had been no follow-up. We had thought the questionnaire was excellent and suggested only two changes. We thought the least favorite meeting question could be dropped, as well as the question about suggestions for alternate locations. Jan will call Carol to thank her and Lisa and suggest those changes. We will give out the questionnaire in June and ask people to fill it out and hand it in.

**Community meeting at the conference:**

After discussion, it was agreed that some sheets with proposals for change, along with justifications, should be prepared, to be given out at registration. The Wednesday community meeting could be used to discuss these and to decide upon follow-up. Peter to be in charge of contacting people such as Ron McLean, Ron Cooke, Roger Bunker, etc.

**Review of jobs and job holders:**

**Community Council Chair:** not yet filled. Suggestions, Greg Grigsby, Lindsay Freese. Jan to follow up.

**Community Living Coordinators:** Betsy Taylor, Mary Koopman. Julie to check.

**Evaluations Facilitator:** Patty Atkins. Jan to confirm.

**Family Facilitators:** Gene Boehne, Meg Connor, and Doreen Cooke. Julie to confirm.

**Food Liaison:** Judy Bunker. Jan will contact her to ask her to get in touch with Lee Bourdon.

**Grapevine Editor:** Debbie Orzack.

**Nominating Committee Chair:** Betsy Taylor

**Participant lists:** Kay (we need to check with her) [I have agreed to do this]

**Room assignments:** Graceanna in charge, with Mickey Friedman and Betsy Stout.

**Rose in Winter:** Ann Acheson

**Silent Auction:** Audrey Kern (suggested assistant Kathy Torrey)

**Junior Auction:** Judi Blum and Chantal Bassous

**Youth Program Coordinator:** Ron McClain. Also, he and his sons will look after afternoon sports.

**Announcements:** John Grillo, Betsy Stout.

**Billings Food:** Roger and Judy Bunker

**Billings Music:** Frank Grillo (except for Wednesday)

**Handbook editing and publishing:** Isabelle Pepin. Caroline to liaise.

**Morning meditation:** Betsy Taylor

**Morning movement:** Judi Erickson

**Music coordinators:** Kathy Bloch, Bill Milford.

**Name Badges:** Gail Grillo. Caroline to check with Gail about arriving by 1pm Sunday?

**New Northfielders:** Sarah Denoncourt, Judy Stafford (not arriving until Tuesday evening) Kay Flanagan could help Sarah get organized. [Judy is now arriving on Sunday]

**Opening Ceremonies:** Dorothy Mason, Jim Peters, Ann Acheson

**Sacred Circle:** Andrew to sort out who is doing what

**T-shirt design:** Kay's circle has been sent to Isabel for lettering. Caroline will ask Isabel to send the finished product to her and to Peter.

**T-shirt sales:** Peter.

**Baby sitting coordinator:** Lynette Tucker. Rafaela said she would get a list of babysitters and send it to Andrew. Marilyn ? might work with Lynette getting babysitters.

Adjourned meeting at 2:15