**RYLA Meeting**

June 13 – 15, 2024

Shepherds Spring, MD

February 8, 2024

Attendance: **Dawn**, **Barb**, **Jack**, Herb, **Pam W**., René-Paul, Cody, **Sean**, **Colleen, Susanna,** Johnathon **(in bold attended)**

1). January Minutes – accepted as presented

2). Notifications – on DACdb, Newsletter, Application, email, ask Herb to put it on the District FB page, ask Johnathon to use his video from last year, at PETS

3). Workshop Structure (See Attached) – this will be used this year. Will assign specific people to each block as the responsible person. This works well for Thursday, but on Friday for ShelterBox and the Villages we will ask Herb to do the ShelterBox and then we need to split up the villages (Colleen to ask for volunteers for each area). On Thursday work on the area of focus of peace – address domestic violence and human trafficking. Sean has a local contact (to the venue) and will give that to Dawn. Dawn hopes to bring silhouettes that have quick facts. Susanna shared that it is advisable to have someone like the person that Sean offered in case the material triggers someone. Try to equip the kids with information, not that they are the counselor. Not so intense. Barb offered a peace pole to have as a “prop” to the peace topic.

4). Nurses: Yes. RYLA Peer, Allison; maybe Emma King? The stay is comped, if budget does not have that, then maybe Shepherdstown club might be able to sponsor her.: No. Lifeguard: Dawn to ask Jonathon re lifeguard. Pam shared background of getting lifeguard. Need to make sure the pool is inspected in time. Dawn to also reach out to the camp and make sure the pool is available.

5). Meals – Thursday – break (water and snacks), Thursday night campfire (cooked dinner that we brought – can have Shepherd Spring do a cookout – group did bring their own grill, brought all their own food, still have environmentally friendly plates and tableware, Pam has the igloo for the water and she is sponsoring the water bottles, only thing left over was salad dressing), Friday morning breakfast and all other meals were at the dining room. They have a refrigerator for special dietary needs.

6). Budget (See Attached) – René-Paul has pledged $500 and it is in the bank. Dawn’s is on the way. The environmentally friendly supplies are covered. The nurses do not want to be paid. T-shirts – Jack may put something toward it. Russell Hampton is where the water bottles and certificates were from. Colleen asked what the capacity of the venue is – Dawn to find out.

7). Next Meeting, March 14, 7 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Morgan