Camp Waupaca Reunion Group, NFP Annual Board Meeting August 18, 2007 11:00 am – 11:23 am (CDT)

Prior to calling the meeting to order, CWRG Board member and treasurer, Mike Lurie noted that this weeks Torah portion (Parsha) was interesting enough for a discussion. Mike offered to deliver a D'var Torah (see below). He did so at 11:02 A.M. C.D.T., as it was felt this was timely and appropriate for the annual meeting although the Chairman felt it should not be an official part of the minutes. A discussion was held that other organizations began with a prayer, "why not ours?" As all board members were not present, the Chairman thought it wise to begin that precedent at the NEXT meeting.

D'var Torah for the annual meeting of the Camp Waupaca Reunion Group

Delivered by Mike Lurie, 18-Aug-2007

This week's *torah* portion is *Shof'tim*, (Ch. 16 v18 – Ch. 21 v9 in the book of Deuteronomy). The first verse says to us:

"You shall appoint magistrates and officials for your tribes, in all the settlements that the Lord your God is giving you, and they shall govern the people with due justice."

Mr. Lurie's Interpretation: As board members, this verse teaches us that our group requires representative leaders and arbiters to do the group's bidding. Your elected board members are: Paul Warshauer, Mike Lurie, Larry Lifson, Larry Gordon, and Rick Passman. The very next verse provides guidance on our responsibilities:

"You shall not judge unfairly: you shall show no partiality; you shall not take bribes, for bribes blind the eyes of the discerning and upset the plea of the just."

Mr. Lurie continued: This verse makes it imperative for us to conduct our business fairly, ethically, and morally. As a board member, I take this responsibility very seriously. Specifically as your treasurer, I ensure that all disbursements are for CWRG business purposes only. The remainder of the chapter discusses various matters of military law, preparedness, and warfare which have absolutely no relevance to our group!

Mr. Lifson and Mr. Warshauer both expressed appreciation for the "sechel" ("wisdom" in Yiddish) of Mr. Lurie and his inspiring D'Var Torah. Amen!

Annual Meeting "Official Minutes"

- 1. Seeing a quorum present (3 of the 5 board members), Chairman Paul Warshauer called the meeting to order at 11:05 A.M.
- 2. It was moved, seconded, and passed: To forego the reading of the minutes from last year's annual meeting since all participants read this prior to the call.
- 3. It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the minutes from last year's annual meeting with no corrections or amendments.
- 4. Mike Lurie presented the Treasurer's Report (below).

Beginning Balance: \$341.98 Current Balance: \$341.98

Expenses Incurred: \$ 40.00 (P.O. box annual rental, January 2007, Lurie donation)

\$120.00 (Web site hosting fee, March 2007, Lurie donation)

The chairman inquired why we did not get a report of expenses for 2006, which would include the reunion. Mr. Lurie responded that he would issue this report within 45 days. Thus the Treasurer's Report was not accepted at this time.

- 5. Mr. Passman was not available to provide the update on the proposed Columbus Day weekend reunion, October 5-8, to be held at camp, so it was determined that we would put out a notice to see if the membership was interested. If Passman wanted to attend others might join him. Lurie and Lifson indicated they could not. Warshauer said he could.
- 6. A discussion regarding website hosting costs and sponsorships took place. In the past, a member would volunteer to pay the annual website hosting fee, but since no member did so this year, Mr. Lurie volunteered to pay the hosting fee and the Post Office Box rental. Mr. Lifson moved that these fees for 2007 should come out of the CWRG funds, but Mr. Lurie respectfully declined to be reimbursed. This motion was denied for lack of a second, so Mr. Lurie did make this donation this year. The Chairman expressed his personal appreciation for such a gesture.
- 7. The Board recommended that we put a notice on the website to find sponsors to pay the site hosting fee. A sponsor would be given a page to put up a Camp Waupaca related biography and could put up an ad for their business on this page if they desired. It was also recommended that a notice be put on the homepage identifying the current sponsor.
- 8. It was moved, seconded and passed to have the webmaster (Lurie) put the sponsorship requirements on the homepage.

- 9. Chairman Warshauer reminded the board that there was general interest in charging dues for being a member, to help cover some of the costs involved in the operations of the CWRG. Mr. Lurie felt this is premature, since we do not currently have guidelines regarding this.
- 10. Mr. Lurie made a motion to encourage the Chairman to draft membership guidelines and benefits, and this motion passed unanimously. Mr. Warshauer said he would draft these guidelines and send a draft for consideration to the board for a vote within 45 days.
- 11. Mr. Warshauer moved that Mr. Lurie's dues should be considered paid for the next 6 years based on his \$160 donation, basing this on the \$25/year dues schedule that was discussed at last year's annual meeting. This motion passed unanimously.
- 12. During the discussion of Other Business, Mr. Lurie suggested the next on-site major reunion be held in 2011, as he recommended doing this every 5 years. He stated it is difficult to get enough people to commit to attending to cover the cost of the camp rental. After a general discussion, the consensus was to hold a major reunion every 5 years. Informal "reunion" activities will occur at other times and can be held in Waupaca or various locations. No motion was made thus leaving the opportunity for other members to organize an "on the camp site reunion" at their expense and initiative. Naturally the CWRG would go along with anyone else who organized such a reunion at Camp Waupaca now Young Judaea).
- 13. During the discussion of Other Business, Mr. Warshauer complimented Mr. Lurie on arranging the first California reunion, which was attended by Bradley Gibbons, a camper at Waupaca during the 1970s. It was thought that his nickname was the "Dancing Bear" but that was unconfirmed.
- 14. During the discussion of Other Business, it was agreed to post the CWRG By Laws on the website as requested by members last year at the Brave Night Ceremonies.
- 15. A motion to adjourn the meeting was seconded and passed, and the meeting adjourned at 11:27 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by:
Larry Lifson,
Secretary and Scribe of the Great Waupaca Tribe