

Camp Waupaca Reunion Group
Annual General Membership and Council Meeting
Saturday August 9, 2025
New Rec Hall of the former Camp Waupaca For Boys

MSP = Motion / Second / Pass

1. Call to Order for General Members & Council

- Meeting called to order at 1:05 PM Sat 8/9 inside the rec hall due to inclement weather (possibility of liquid sunshine).
- (Explanation about General Membership & Council Meetings; See Bylaws Article 4; Section 1).
- No explanation about General Membership & Council Meetings provided due to lack of key council member.

2. Quorum Call (Attendees + Proxies)

In attendance:

(ML) Mike Lurie
(EG) Errol Grisard
(SL) Scott Levine
(WM) Warren Metzdorff
(RP) Rick Passman

Proxies:

(LG) Larry Gordon, Scott Rubin
Larry Lifson
Norm Rose
(PW) Paul Warshauer
George Lamm

Chair recognizes guest Billy Kruzel (1975-1977)

3. Approval of last years' Annual Meeting Minutes (on website)

- M – EG
- S – RP, who was then out of order
- Discussion – none
- P – unanimous

4. Treasurer's report by Grand Sachem Mike Lurie

- Explanations by treasurer:
 - i. Donations from 2024 reunion explained
 - ii. \$518 donation to CYJ
 - iii. Current balance: \$1017.26
- EG and RP out of order.
- ML out of order per RP.
- Explanation of t-shirt tapestry asked by EG.
- M – RP
- S – WM
- Discussion – none
- P – unanimous

5. Legal requirements (State of Illinois & our Medicine Man, Larry Gordon)

- ML explains our status: Not For Profit (NFP) but not tax exempt.
- Discussion of annual filing fee, and our late status this year. LG guilted into paying \$13.
- Discussion about reimbursement of \$13 to LG.
- M – RP

- S – EG
 - Discussion – none
 - P – unanimous
6. Bylaws discussion (Board & Officer sections) addition of “Little Chief”
 - Skipped due to lack of critical member attendance. Tabled until 2026.
 7. Elections (every 5 years) NEXT ELECTION IN 2029
 - Quick explanation by ML
 8. Tonight’s Campfire details
 - WM complains about having to come back in the evening. "Why can't we do it now while we are here?"
 - ML explains that it's been advertised for months so we cannot alter the plan.
 9. Camp Waupaca Hall of Fame nominations. Person(s) who have demonstrated years of distinguished service to Camp Waupaca are nominated into the Hall (see list of former recipients on the website).
 - ML nominates Herb Beller due to longevity at camp, his historical contributions, boat donation to CYJ, and service as waterfront director.
 - M – RP
 - S – WM
 - Discussion – none
 - P – unanimous

 - RP nominates Erv Kasian due to his contributions. WM tells story about trailer/bus mishap where Erv caught his hand at the hitch. His first reaction was not "Metzdorff, you bastard!". Instead he worried about who would start the mini-bikes each day. THAT clinched the decision.
 - M – WM
 - S – RP
 - Discussion – none
 - P – unanimous

 - EG asks if it will be on the website. ML explained in great detail how to get there.
 - RP snarkily asks if this is the same website that gets updated all the time. RP declared out of order.
 10. Update on smaller reunions in 2024-2025
 - WM mentions that he and Ben Zalay got together in Stevens Point
 11. Website and Facebook reports (usage and ownership, “Back Page”)
 - ML discusses lack of clicks on website and lack of reactions and discussions on FB.
 - ML discusses website hosting. Old legacy host was charging \$275 for one year. ML found another host for \$19/yr. ML has prepaid 5 years \$95.
 - Discussion of “backpage” and needed updates. ML will provide access to select council members.

- WM asks about cost of website, and ML is paying out of pocket. ML explains that he often does not ask for reimbursement but will on occasion when he feels burdened financially. WM asks if ML wants to be reimbursed. ML says "if you want to".
 - M – WM
 - S – RP
 - Discussion: RP recommends a \$100 payment to ML
 - P – unanimous
12. Ultimate Camp Waupaca long term housing for archives, plaques, Yearbooks, etc.
- ML explains the plan to house all our archives at Waupaca Historical Society.
 - EG asks if there is any fee for this service. There is not.
 - Guest Billy Kruzel mentions that CYJ Director Dan Ravitch has some CW documents. ML will follow up.
13. Special Presentation (TP)
- tabled until later due to lack of preparedness
14. Yahrzeits and Mazel Tovs (those who have passed on, those who have life events to celebrate)
- ML reads deaths of CW members since last meeting.
 - i. Sep/24 - Harlan Rips (1961-1966)
 - ii. Oct/24 - Rick Poole (1978-1984)
 - iii. Jan/25 - Wayne Towne (1956-1980)
 - iv. Mar/25 - David Belden (1952-1957)
 - v. Jul/25 - Harry Teinowitz (1972-1974)
15. Donation this year to CYJ (pass the hat)
- ML explains why we take a collection.
 - Several members provide cash.
 - One person provides donation via Venmo.
16. Other donations (Lamm)
- not understood, so no discussion
17. Set Next Year's 75th On Site Reunion
- ML explains that 2026 will be the 75th anniversary of Camp Waupaca For Boys, the diamond jubilee.
 - RP reminds us that this will also be the 30th anniversary of our first on-site reunion in 1996.
 - Levine's suggested calling this the "farewell tour".
 - SL provided a poster. Intention is to really publicize this to generate a big turnout for the last organized reunion.
 - ML says postcards will be sent.
 - This will absolutely be the last organized reunion planned by PW and ML.

[Meeting temporarily adjourned at 1:36 for emergency weather event. Anna Metzdorff said we were under a tornado warning. Some seek shelter in the basement, others stay upstairs. Meeting restarts at 1:46 PM. Turned out to just be "high winds".]

Meeting joined by guests Jeanette Levine and Anna Metzdorff.

18. Other Business (open)

- no discussion

19. Indian Headdresses for Board members?

- Absolutely no idea what this agenda item is about.
- Tabled until 2026.

[Agenda item #13 revisited. Anna Metzdorff awarded the "Tolerance and Patience" (TP). ML reads statement.]

20. Set Next Year's Annual Meeting

- no discussion

21. Attendees photo

22. Adjournment

- M – RP
- S – EG
- Discussion – none
- P – unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 1:53 PM