

Minutes of RYLA Meeting  
February 7, 1987  
10:00AM MT

The meeting was called to order at the Holiday Inn, Ft. Collins, Colorado, by Chairman Warren Holm.

In attendance were: Warren Holm, Chairman  
DGE Les Bevans  
DGE Charlie Peterson  
Clark Lupton  
Bill Maclay  
Sue Mendenhall  
Bill Cannon  
Kevin Ferrell  
Marc Lemieux  
Murph Widdowfield

Chairman Warren welcomed new members Kevin Ferrell(Casper, Wyo), Marc Lemieux(Gillette, Wyo) and Bill Maclay(Smoky Hill, Colo) to the District RYLA Committee.

The minutes of the meeting of November 11, 1987 were sent to all committee members prior to the meeting for review. No changes were suggested or requested. Move to accept minutes was made by Clark Lupton and 2nd by Sue Mendenhall-motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Warren gave a treasurers report. Current bank balance of \$1,495.08. We have recieved \$1,000.00 from Greeley Rotay Club for four future awardees from that club. A payment of \$1,150.00 has been made to the YMCA Camp for deposit.

Murph Widdowfield was asked to present a plan for the committee after redistricting. A written plan was presented and comments were made as follows:

Clark Lupton-Agrees on joint district committee due to need for front range support.

Marc Lemieux-Agrees on joint district to enhance attendance and fellowship.

DGE Les Bevins-Agrees on joint district to maintain friendships and inter-district associations. He also felt that we could include other districts in our camp as long as there was space available and was not distracting from our program.

DGE Charlie Peterson-Agrees on joint district for same reasons, and if future indicated change then review at that time. He would also like to have a "Term of Appointment" be written into the final Operating Statement for this committee.

Clark Lupton made a motion to accept the joint district plan and to include the changes suggested above. Motion was seconded by Bill Cannon. Motion was approved. Kevin Ferrel requested that the minutes reflect that the decision to be a joint district committee was unanimous among all members present. A final draft with all changes suggested will be made by Murph and sent to the District Governor Elects and the District Governor for approval.

Warren asked that each of the committee members contact some of the clubs to personally be sure that they understand the program and ask them to participate by sending one or two campers. Warren assigned clubs to each committeeman; please be sure that you make those contacts. Get them to appoint a RYLA Chairman in their club and inform us who it will be, and ask them to return the response form as soon as possible.

DGE Les and DGE Charlie informed us that we would have about 10 minutes on the agenda at the PETS Conference in March and a breakout session at the District Assembly in April.

Warren suggested that when we talk to the clubs that we be sure that they understand how the program will operate. Murph suggested that the members be sure to tell the clubs about the funding of \$250.00 by the club for each student and that the district has offered some scholarship money for those clubs who just plain do not have a way to raise all of the funds to support young leaders in their community. Kevin asked if we had to select only top students and the opinion of the committee was that it was not necessary to have only top leaders and grades, but to look at the individual and select good leaders or at least do not eliminate anyone with the potential to be leaders.

As we had quite a few new committee members, Sue suggested that we review the decision to have a coed camp.

Pro - reduce the duplication of effort in finding programs, counselors, camp staff and speakers. We expect these young people to be leaders in a coed society so they must learn together.

Con - The typical boy-girl problems and how to control them.

After further discussion the committee still agreed that a coed camp is what we wish to produce.

Warren asked what we wish to consider for momentos for campers, counselors, and speakers. Some suggestions were:

DGE Charlie - Desk plaque that states "Speaker RYLA, 1987".  
Kevin - Rotary paper weight or such  
Marc - T-shirts or Polo shirts

Warren suggested that we set a fee for spouses and family, and visitors who come as guests. This includes visitors from D-573 Texas, unless they are on staff or speakers. Warren will check costs for individuals at YMCA.

Warren gave us some information regarding the schedule as it stands now and asked Clark to tell us what was set up for activities. Clark has just started this part of the program and already has lined up two evening excursions with camp fire and singing. Clark is trying to set up exploratory trips as well as athletic activities. He is working with Stan Black on the schedule. Warren reported that Stan was having a little problem getting the Freedom's Foundation to set a date for their program.

Warren made a motion that we request that Freedom's Foudation set their schedule now or we should drop them from the program so that we can fill that time as necessary. Second by Murph. Motion carried unanimously.

Warren distributed some information on other RYLA camps and methods of operation. After a break for lunch, Murph passed out some sample schedules, which were discussed and modified, as final sample is attached.

We then discussed possible program suggestions. Sue asked if we should consider a program to discuss sexual disease prevention, AIDS in particular. Alcohol and drug abuse were also thrown in for consideration. These are things that a good leader can help prevent or can get in the way of leadership. We decide to contemplate and bring this up again later. Warren suggested having a program with 3 or 4 experts for round table discussions. Sue would like to see an inspirational womens speaker. Bill Cannon suggested someone such as the Nebraska Governor. Bill will see if she is avialable. Kevin and Clark suggested Mike Sullivan, Wyoming Governor, Dan Sullivan, Wyo Legislator, Deamer True, Wyo Legislator. Raynela Meuse, TV Anchor was also suggested. DGE Les suggested someone from Career Medical Services, at CU Medical Center. DGE Les also suggested the Malawi slide show for one of the evening programs.

Additional camp committee's were assigned and are now as follows:

Secretary	Murph Widdowfield
Treasurer	Dick Neet
Camp Director	Warren Holm
Promotion Chairman	Virgil Holtgrewe
Program Chairman	Stan Black
Assistant	Bill Maclay
Food/Housing Chair	Marc Lemieux
Counselor Chairman	
Men	Murph Widdowfield
Women	Sue Mendenhall
Registry Chairman	Virgil Holtgrewe
Activities Chairman	Clark Lupton
Assistant	Sue Mendenhall
Office Support Ch	Kevin Ferrell
Future Camp Locator	John Andrews
possible other areas not defined	

We will need to locate boy and girls councelors and junior councelors.

Our next meeting was tentatively set for April 25, 1987, 2:00PM at the Broadmoor Hotel, room to be determined.

All buisness being conducted, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Murph Widdowfield.

