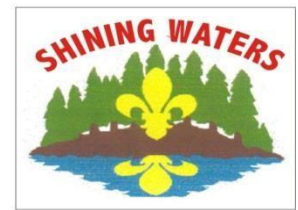




Scouts Canada SHINING WATERS COUNCIL



COUNCIL SERVICE TEAM MEETING
Hosted via Zoom Videoconferencing
by Kit Cheng, Nicole Donadio and Jason Gingrich (CK3)
Saturday June 13, 9:30-11:30 AM

Number of Attendees: 78 participants, 56 Scout Groups represented.

Attendees: Albert Pang (6th Richmond Hill), Allan Chan (SWC / 7th Milliken Mills), Anna Wong (333rd Markham), Barry Mitchell (10th Barrie), Bob Martinell (SWC / 1st Alliston), Bob Pearson (Newmarket), Bonny-Lynn McMullen (1st Alcona), Bosco Tang (6th Richmond Hill), Brenda Laird (SWC / 4th Orangeville), Brenda Meades (1st Barrie Foresters), Bryan Goustos (3rd Orangeville), Bryant Fung (7th Markham), Christine Rosenthal (2nd Markham), Christopher Gregoris (1st Woodbridge), Chuck Heron (SWC / 4th Orangeville), Clayton Hannah (1st Orillia), Clement Cheng (38th Richmond Hill), Daisy Gao (SWC), Daniel Lei (SWC / 23rd Markham), Desmond Wong (8th Markham), Doug Donald (1st Penetanguishene), Edwin Li (100th Markham), Elwick Tang (SWC / 5th Unionville), Ersin Kutluoglu (8th Richmond Hill), Gail Jackson (1st Bracebridge), Glenn Healey (1st Tottenham), Glenn Skitch (1st Stouffville), Gordon Shearer (1st Tottenham), Gregory Peach (SWC / 10th Barrie), Hans Uhr (SWC), Helen Carnie (2nd Markham), Helen Tam (2nd Unionville), Jackson Kwok (SWC), James Finnigan (1st Lucknow), Jason Gingrich (SWC), Jennifer Duff-McDermid (1st Nottawa), Jennifer Theunissen (2nd Wasaga Beach), John Chin (1st Markham York Region MedVents), Joseph Wettlaufer (1st Mount Forest), Judy Hall (2nd Huntsville), Katherine Faulkner (4th Midland), Kelly Ayotte (Group Support Centre), Kelly Stanners (1st Palmerston), Kirsten Heard (1st York Regional Police), Kit Cheng (SWC), Kristy Carthew (SWC), Len Cox (1st Owen Sound), Leslie Hunt (1st Shelburne), Leslie Selby (5th Richmond Hill), Lise-Cendrine Westerhoek (1st Northridge Salvation Army), Manon Rodrigues (1st Bradford), Nicole Donadio (SWC), Nigel Wong (1192nd Markham), Patty Lo (1192nd Markham), Peck Yap (SWC / 8th Markham), Pradeepta Chakravarti (8th Richmond Hill), Purvin Wai (SWC / 8th Oak Ridges), Ralph Snell (1st Burks Falls), Richard Billings (4th Barrie), Rick Lamon (1st Chesley), Rob Duncan (1st Orillia), Robert Finlayson (SWC / 14th Barrie), Robert Heath (1st Ballantrae), Rosalind So (1st Unionville), Ruth Teal-Milligan (1st Sutton West), Samil Chagpar (392nd Thornhill Muslim), Scott Gingrich (SWC), Shawn Forth (3rd Bracebridge), Sheri Rilett (1st Richmond Hill), Suzanne Hussey (8th Barrie), Teresa Yeung (5th Unionville), Tom Smith (Newmarket), Vic Metcalfe (SWC / 2nd Aurora), Vivian Lin (5th Unionville), Walter Matte

(7th Thornhill), Wayne Morrison (SWC), William Kelly (1st Simcoe County MedVents), William Sung (3rd Unionville)

Regrets: Fran Walker

PLAN:

Call to Order...CK3

Kit C welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained how the videoconference would proceed.

Minutes Approval (November 23, 2019) & Action Items Reviewed...Kit C

Kit noted that this is the first time Council Service Team Meetings were extended to GCs. Going forward, GCs will be invited to all CST meetings to enable a closer relationship between the Council and Groups, the engine of Scouting. Moved: Jackson K; second: Greg P. No discussion/vote/action items reviewed. Approved.

Safety Moment...Hans U

Hans asked all to e-mail him before any meetings if you wish something addressed [See Slide Presentation]. Hans addressed internet safety and issues surrounding videoconferencing such as ensuring having the latest software/app update; a separate account for socializing limiting personal info; a paid platform is generally more secure; give minimum access; all Scouting rules apply; join early to check-in and be prepared; hosting requires preparation; video/audio managed properly; dress well; and be wary of what is being shown (shared screens) especially youth files.

General Updates...Kit C [See Slide Presentation:

https://www.scouts.ca/assets/uploads/councils/shiningwaters/council_meetings/2020-06-13/SWC%20CST%20Meeting%20-%20June%2013,%202020.pdf]

- Reflections on 2019-20 & Council Supporting Structure
 - Shining Waters Council grew by 2.1% during SY 2019-20, despite the COVID-19 situation and LDS exit. Shining Waters posted the highest growth overall across the country. This would not have been possible without our dedicated Scouters. Thank you everyone.
 - Scouts Groups have been assigned according to need to a GSS/RM.
 - GC have received an e-mail explaining the model of servicing.
 - GSS/RMs are "partners" to support growing the Scout Group.

- GCs are expected to go through their respective GSs/RM for support they require. This is critical for two reasons - especially as we journey toward the New Normal:
 - Groups can hold someone accountable (their RM) for getting the support they need to make greater mission impact, and
 - Avoid burnout of individual Council Scouters due to everyone going to their "favourite" person.
- There are some 89 Scout Groups and 5500 registered volunteers and youth.
- The new Council website has more information for all including top performing groups and top award recipients.
- Our Direction for 2020 and Beyond...Nicole D
 - All reminded that info is gradually coming and will be in line with municipal/provincial and federal direction.
 - Emphasis on in-person outdoor activities in small groups supported by virtual/online discussions.
 - Uncertain yet about Popcorn and Apple fundraising campaigns.
 - Advancement of youth is under review at the moment – Scouters and parents engaged week June 8.
 - Additional FAQs anticipated week June 15.
 - Further consultations coming with RM/GSS and GCs to formulate direction as move into August.
- Program Functional Team Updates
 - Learning and Development...Elwick T [Please see Slide Presentation]
 - Program Support Functional Team. There are volunteer opportunities and all are encouraged to join "In Section Support", "ScoutCon Support", "Event Support" or "Outdoor Adventure Support".
 - Program Leadership Model. Program Support Centres (PSCs) are to support those in "Outdoor Adventure Support".
 - Webinars. Many upcoming such as June 26 to show GC/Section Scouters how to conduct virtual Scouting.
 - Workshops coming. Those involving "facilitating distant learning", "post Covid World", "Emergency Response", "CP Navigator", "Assistance to New Scouters" and virtual WB1 to continue.
 - Kit mentioned there will be lots of support programs to help us . . . coming in August.
- "Technical Soup"...Purvin W [Please see PDF document here: https://www.scouts.ca/assets/uploads/councils/shiningwaters/council_meetings/2020-06-13/TechSoup%20Instructions.pdf]

- Scout Groups may be able to get donated or heavily discounted software packages including MS Office 365 and Zoom. Contact Nicole D, Purvin W or search: "TechsoupCanada".
- Breakout Sessions...Jason G
 - Jason spoke of the way ahead and what is currently occurring in Scouting across Canada. Led by various RMs/GSS, GCs were divided into various breakout groups to discuss.
 - See Slide Presentation slides 16 and 17:
https://www.scouts.ca/assets/uploads/councils/shiningwaters/council_meetings/2020-06-13/SWC%20CST%20Meeting%20-%20June%2013,%202020.pdf

DO:

Breakout Session Recap...Kit C

- Room 4 (Scott G, Greg P and Sherin B):
 - Challenges, Opportunities and This Fall:
 - Challenges: Scouter participation – emotional and time available
 - Opportunities: New paradigm . . . Saturday afternoon canoeing adventure as a Scouting family; more parent participation during virtual meetings leading to potential volunteers.
 - This Fall: Not as many Scouters available (eg, auto-immune issues); "regional bubbles" . . . pooling of like-minded section Scouters and youth either for virtual and/or in person small unit gatherings; recommend use of "Jumpstart" packages again (recipe-like programmed meeting activities) . . . National is working towards this for August; use Zoom to plan/prepare/lead up to in person gatherings; policy is good but show what a Zoom meeting looks like . . . **Action: Elwick T to advise National**
- Room 3 (Jackson K, Vic M and Mark S):
 - Parents not encouraging youth online and prefer giving things to undertake as a take away and deliver away from the computer.
 - Parents and Scouters need help to use Zoom, etc.
 - Confusion when to have advancement ceremonies with SY extended to Dec 31.
 - Paying SY 2021 fees in Dec 20 may be a challenge during the Holiday Season.
- Room 5 (Daniel L and Purvin W):
 - Summer camps now off . . .

- What about School permits? Carry on applying to ensure space is confirmed when things open up . . . liability insurance policies should be available through Rosalie Pelkey: rpelkey@scouts.ca (check with RM/GSS)
- Concerns expressed whether new liability insurance covers Covid risk . . . **Action: Kit C to seek clarity.**
- How to incorporate virtual with real meetings . . .
- Room 2 (Kristy C and Nicole D): Similar to Rooms 3, 4 and 5.
- Room 6 (Kelly A and Marlene H):
 - Sometimes it is just two youth doing things in a given section
 - Need to continue to advertise that we're operating
 - Personal Achievement Badge attitude – can do more
 - In person dropping off/presenting awards
 - Use Facebook to socialize
 - Scouting becomes part of everyday life – let's share it
- Room 1 (Daisy G and Allan C):
 - A challenge to ensure practical safety for everyone with in person small groups
 - If exposed at such a meeting, immediate 14 day quarantine for everyone involved
[Secretarial Note: June 11 "Covid Preparation Documents" discusses preventive measures to avoid this and indicates measures to be taken]

REVIEW

Parking Lot...CK3

- New Council Website (July 1): <https://www.scouts.ca/councils/central/shining-waters/shining-waters-council-home.html>
- New Council Facebook Discussion Forum: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/shiningwaters/>
- Police Record Checks for Shining Waters Council Info Sheet for COVID-19: https://www.scouts.ca/assets/uploads/councils/shiningwaters/council_meetings/2020-06-13/Police%20Record%20Checks%20for%20Shining%20Waters%20Council%20during%20COVID-19.pdf [Secretarial Note: Added after the meeting]

Adjournment...CK3 . . . The meeting ended at approximately 11:35 AM.

Next Council Service Team meeting – likely Saturday, September 26 via Zoom videoconferencing (if not before).