

Education Committee Minutes

18 August 2016

Meeting commenced 5:30 @ Lucky Strike

Attendance:

Chris Ryland, David Reese, Michel Tharp, Todd Taylor

Minutes:

You missed it, Duke Corporate Education had an education class on whiskey making complete with samples! You never know what these meetings will have in store.

Discussed:

Rangers. Continuing concern on low participation. Presented were some of the ideas for going forward. David Reese put it best "give customers what they want".

Time commitment: people view the commitment as too much. We will work with the school to create a sign up genius with easy to plug holes. We will continue to present tag teaming as an option. We may trim down the options to only a few classes and try to fill those spots up. This will provide a smaller target and better sense of accomplishment.

To address the challenge of how do we grow the program sideways into the community, David Reese will link Ranger sign up information from the EDCI website.

To refresh the messaging, we will ask Rangers to give periodic reports of "this is what my kid did this week." This will keep the Rangers engaged, give the membership the idea that the program is large and allow us to celebrate our individual Rangers.

EDCI Lunch: David reported that the lunch and Lego summer went well. He has some stats that he will share later.

RYLA: Chris is gearing up for another round of RYLA kids. Applications are due 30 NOV. Chris will have posters printed and distribute to schools. He may need help getting these to the schools. Some things have changed this year. The cost went up \$25 per student. All the area clubs agree the bus is a great idea, but few include that cost in the budget. Our club has a line item of \$3000 for RYLA. We tried to sponsor 10 students, we may need to reconsider the number in light of the increased cost per student and the bus transport. Chris will put out requests for assistance as needed. Currently the biggest need

is simply people to ride with the kids to and from the camp. This year, the 11th graders will be in RYLA 21-23 April 2017. Chris will review the information on the website so encourage new members to check out RYLA.

Little Free Libraries: Joe Houde reported that he has locations for 6 libraries. He has 4 more boxes to plant. David will look to find locations in the EDCI zone.

Process: Todd related some out of budget requests that came to the club via the website. It was recommended that the board take a look at requests such as this and explore possible processes to deal with such requests.

The next meeting will take place on 29 Sept 2016 at 5:30 PM at Lucky Strike, 310 Blackwell Street.