

Friday Night

9:00 pm Gathering time
9:30 pm worship
10 pm mission west youth afterhours

Saturday

8:00 am breakfast
8:30 am Meeting
12:30 pm Lunch, we will break when appropriate from the list below
3:00 pm latest time we will finish

- What we will cover
 - Review Directors Best Practices and Misc. Discussions
 - Addressing Retreats & Rally's in the Best Practices Booklet- camp directors did not refer to the booklet. Do we need to have the same type of booklet for retreats and rally's? Yes, would be helpful for the people coming in not having directed a camp with mission west before. Heather volunteered to work on it. The rally and retreat additions would be the time suggested time line for the planning aspect for the retreat. Heather will work on it and send it off to TJ for revisions.
 - Dress Code (swim suits, short shorts, tank tops, spaghetti straps) – clarification of specifications. Parents complained about needing to buy another swim suit for just to camp to have a one piece. Tankini's are appropriate. Leave the dress code to the discretion of the camp leaders/directors not the general adult's sponsors. Spaghetti Straps: if they are walking around in a swim suit, then should it matter if they wear it.
 - Ages for sponsors for CYF & Chi Rho combined events. Where do we put those who want to serve their first few years after high school that do not meet the 4 year gap between the oldest camper? Can we still have them on campus and working with Chi Rho alone? – Central suggested 22- unless employed by a church. HPA- worked with the one year out of high school to work with the Chi-Rho. Mission West- Do we have a process to evaluate from the director. If they don't make the 4 years older than the oldest camper break. If they don't make the cut, send them to grand beginnings and JYF.
 - Adult Sponsors/Volunteers-Paying or Not Paying – Most churches pay for their adults to go to camp. Do we raise the kids cost to supplement the fees for the adults cost? Paula- the idea that the adult fee would come out of the church rather than the cost coming out of the area. Central- a couple years ago had the adults had to pay for their rally and be covered for summer camp and must be asked to participate. We are paying the fee no matter what, in the student fee or the adults. TJ- at least for this year adults are required to pay and the individual churches are responsible for that.
 - No more outside visitors to camp period (not even for Senior Night and Installations)? – Heather- not allowing parents to come for installation would be a joy for the parents/grandparents in this big event in their lives. Central had issues with kids and parents wanting to attend senior banquet. We have built this community and we now have outsiders and break the community. The adults need to leave so that the kids can be comfortable with worship. Senior night closed to visitor on the last night. Installation is open to other kids. What about the parents who want to come hear their senior students who aren't being installed. Different camping system. NO OUTSIDE VISISTORS except for installation on Saturday on pick up.
 - No cell phone rule, enforcement, is it important that all camps are consistent with no cell phone? – TJ enjoys the policy of not having the cell phone over the whole week and see's the benefit of the youth not having to their cell phones for the week and the weekend. What do we do for the students that need music to fall asleep? What do we do with the kids who need to be able to have

the physical item? Recommended policy- Cell phones will be collected at registration, adults would be expected to respect the policy.

- Proposal to make 3 areas one mission west, creation of a team to communicate with Area boards, work on Bylaws, and presentation at January Meeting. – JYF do we continue the separate the HPTRA and CEA JYF rather than a MW JYF. Accounting would be easier, but logically would it be good for the camp itself. HPTRA doesn't have a grand beginnings, CEA hosts grand beginnings and invites HPTRA. TJ suspend area council and form MW council that would have at least one member from each camp and the council will be doing the work of planning the camp. (2 meetings a year) 6 council members 1 from each camp and 2 at large members. (CEA grand beginnings, CEA JYF, HPTRA JYF, MW chi rho/CYF) The MW chair would be someone who has directed a camp and would be elected from within. 2 year commitment. Serving in leadership: 1 year is learning and watch. 2 year leading with guidance. 3 leading fully. The new leadership will start 2016-2017. Karakay will write the proposal, TJ would review and it will be available before the January meeting for group approval.
- Rotation of Camps for the next three years? - JYF will merge in 2017 to MW.

CEA Grand Beginnings		CEA JYF	HPTRA JYF	MW Chi-Rho/CYF
Y1-2016	LBCR June 10-12	LBCR June 26-30	BR June 20-24	CETA June 12-18
Y2-2017	CETA June 9-11	LBCR MISSION WEST June 26-30	LBCR MISSION WEST June 26-30	BR June 12-17
Y3-2018	BR June 8-10	CETA MISSION WEST June 25-29	CETA MISSION WEST June 25-29	LBCR June 11-16

(Dates listed are tentative. We are waiting on confirmation from all of our camp grounds, check back later for final dates.)

- Online Registration – Camp Brain, Camp Doc, Constant Contact, and through the website. Camp Doc- \$4 per person with login and password for each person. Camp Doc could allow directors and youth ministers would be able to see their kids and monitor them. CAMP DOC WAS APPROVED.
- Motivational Speaker-who would we like to hear and when? CEA has \$1000 set aside for this – CYC CEA's intent to hire a professional to come in and train children and youth workers. August 6 (preferred) and August 13 (back up). Day workshop starting at 9 or 10. Someone who will come do children and youth worker training. Alex will contact Dr. Steven Bonner and ask if he would be interested leading a seminar on Youth and Children leadership in congregational.
- 2014-2015 Camp Evaluation Reports
 - Please submit a detailed written report to your committee chair, the office at missionwest@ccsw.org and cc me at kkovaly@ccsw.org. Please provide a summary oral report to the group) A template will be provided. – Mission West CYC will take care of the camp evaluations.
- 2015-2016 Camps
 - 2015
 - Mission West Winter Rally Session 1 Nov (G 6th-12th) Nov 13-15, LBCR
 - Mission West Wnter Retreat Nov (G 6th-12th) Nov 13-15, BRCL (changed 09/09/2015)
 - 2016
 - Mission West Mid Winter Retreat Session 1 (G 3rd-12th) Feb. 5-7, BRCL
 - Mission West Mid Winter Rally Session 2 (G 3rd-12th) Feb. 5-7, LBCR)(Changed 09/29/2015 because of conflicting reservations at LBCR)

- YAM (Young Adult Mission) (First year out of High School to 27 years old and 28+ as Sponsors) May 26- June 3* Partnership with Building Cultures Mission Ecuador (dates may fluctuate) – **Flyer emailed to all churches in MW.**
 - Mission West Grand Beginnings June 10-12 Lake Brownwood
 - Mission West CYF & Chi Rho (Grades 6th-12th) June 12-18, Ceta Glen
 - Mission West JYF Session 1 June 20-24 Black River- (updated 09/11/2015)
 - Mission West JYF Session 2 June 26-30 Lake Brownwood
 - "8ers" Created to be me, June 26 to July 2, Disciples Crossing
 - CYLS, July 24/25-30, Disciples Oaks, Gonzales, TX
- Next Mission West Youth Meeting is scheduled for January 22-23, 2016 at Ceta Canyon/Glen (Updates on fall retreats, work together on planning Mid Winter Retreats, Training for Adult Sponsors,)
- Events outside of Mission West that may be of interest to you
 - [Adult Swim](#), For Adults who minister to youth, Sept 17th-19th, Disciples Crossing, Athens, TX
 - [Kid Min](#) Sept 25-27, 2015 Chicago, IL
 - [Birthing Cross Gen](#) October 3-5, 2015 Estes Park, CO
 - [Orange Tour](#) Nov 3 Austin, Tx Nov 6 Dallas, TX
 - [NCYM](#) (National Conference on Youth Ministry) January 4-7, 2016 Colorado Springs, CO
 - [Progressive Youth Ministry](#), February 18-20, Dallas, TX Cathedral of Hope
 - [DYMN](#) (Disciples Youth Ministry Network) Disciples Crossing, Athens, TX March 29-April 1st
 - [Orange Conference](#) Atlanta, GA April 27-29
 - [DSM](#) There will be three trips at different times,
 - St. Louis June 27-July 1
 - Hill Country/Central Texas July 4-8