

## Council Minutes: September 29, 2012

### Agenda:

- Summer Con Debrief
- Fall Council Retreat Date Conflict
- Con Dates
- Leadership Burnout

### Job Jots:

- Dylan & J Song
  - Council Overview Video
  - “So you want to be a yeller?” google form
- Dylan and Livy
  - State of the Council (before Coffee House)
- Some Combination of Rosemary, Nikki, Abbie & Alexa
  - Mid Con Leader Plea (STOP THE DEATH TRICKLE)
- Phoebe
  - Registration Form (medical release & covenant)
  - Con Flyer Update
  - Rules of Behavior Update
- Alexa & Phoebe
  - Leadership Development / Touch Group Training
- Ryan
  - The Shoebox of Inventiveness and Elegant Simplicity

### Summer Con Debrief

Very Excellent	Needs Improvement
Jeremy’s Touchgroup Training Social Action Social Action Survey Social Action Attendance (among leadership) Deans No major property damage! Sunday Service Attendance Chaplains Worship #2 Coffee House Coordinators Adult Amounts! Good Amount of Free Time Generally on Schedule Water Games Post-con Newbie Meeting	Gofers Pre-Orientation Registration Some less than excellent Touch Groups Adult Confusion Cooks Worship #1 Leadership Burnout Chaplain Approachability Clean Up LOADS of Broken Mugs Strangers on Campus Breaker Timer → Darkness Sound System was messed with Church Communication about meetings Late Night Room Label Changes Regrouping Attendance Beads Yeller Bandanas

### Con Debrief (Continued)

**Gofers:**

To avoid frivolous Gofer trips, we need more clarity in directions (CoCoCos to Cooks, Cooks to Gofers).

**Touchgroups:**

Some problems were that some attendees went to their friends' touchgroup instead of their own. Also, because some people did not attend but did not unregister, some touchgroups were weirdly small. We can fix this by having all touchgroups remain in the main hall until everyone is in a touchgroup. This way the appropriate adjustments can be made.

**Registration:**

The current registration forms lack a medical release (see job jots). We have issues with unregistered attendees and people who don't come but don't unregister. Council decided to give those people nasty emails. Repeat offenders will receive a nasty phone call. (ick.)

**Adults:**

Adult youth ratio was successfully maintained, and the coordinator is on top of it for fall con. Adults were confused during worship. The coordinator will now explain the idea of worship during the adult meeting.

**Cooks:**

They did a respectable job. However, the meals were not very well rounded (needed more protein). The CoCoCos need to be more careful when looking at the menu.

cococos: you wanted to remember to tell the cooks to make 2.5 - 3 times as many servings as people.

**Coffee House:**

The strictly enforced time limit was refreshing, but often sad.

**Worship #1:**

Explanation & Setting the Space were lacking.

**Respect for the Space:**

Clean up was not so great. Lots of mugs were broken. We need to stress the importance of the covenant, not have wink until after semi-cleanup, and improve the quality of our rants.

During Orientation: Don't use sanctuary unless you have specific permission

**Deans:**

They need to have better communication with the CoCoCos. If the registrar needs to open registration and deans have not been chosen, the registrar names the con, thus enabling them to open registration.

**Regrouping:**

People didn't come. Uncool.

**Fall Council Retreat Date:**

The date of the fall council retreat conflicts with Marin's Stone Soup Service. Since we are normally done before Saturday evening anyway, and we still have quorum without those members, the Marin people can just leave early.

## **Con Dates:**

Because it is becoming so difficult to book host churches, we are going to decide con dates a year in advance. This will mean the council who chooses the dates will not be the one that exists during those cons. Also, to prevent conflicts with other PCD events, we will have Jeanelyse check for us.

Fall con is silly and always conflicts with things. We may move the date to the first or second week of November in future years.

## **Leadership Burnout (STOP THE DEATH TRICKLE)**

Reasons:

- leadership hasn't grown with con

- MUUGs are suggested to wait a year before leading (need the year to learn culture)

- bigger con size- leadership are more removed, like staff so people don't realize there's a problem

- Leaders feel need to lead

- we use too many quick fixes

Solutions:

- leadership workshops

- asking people one on one/in small groups

- Survey

- Vary Positions

- LDC/Touchgroup Training

- Change leadership attitude (woe is me, stress stress stress, meh.)

- Specificity about needs

- more transparency about goings on

- less passivity

- SHOEBOX OF AWESOME (put in name, position, contact info)

- in registration response- YELLeR Position List

- MidConLeaderPlea (not a doomsday announcement)

- Google Form that will make a list of possible leaders!

## **OTHER STUFF!!!**

GRUUST: state of the council (before coffee house)

Post Captain McHelpyPants on Facebook Wall before Con

Emails: [position@pcdyruu.org](mailto:position@pcdyruu.org) (LOOK! FANCY!)

- put on GRUUST

- controlled by resource master