MKP-USA Elder Court Call

Minutes

August 13, 2013 - 2:00 PM CDT

Attending: Jim Howard, John Lindermuth, Simon McCain, Allan Podbelsek, Jim Fanon, Joe Stortz

Absent: Frank Joie, Bill Gleason

Jim Howard provided a blessing

Check in followed.

USAGE Report - Simon and Alan:

Early Bird registration has been extended to 8/15/13. A Google Groups notice has been sent out about insurance and Sweat lodges. 82 People have registered thus far - 53 men and 29 women. Kirby and Scott are finalizing brochure and it will be distributed at the USAGE. Events for both men and women are included in brochure. David Bowerly has bowed out of the event due to a family event. Medallions, and cups have been order and we are inquiring into T-shirts. Speakers are all booked. Insurance with MKPUSA is in progress. There was a discussion about putting the brochure on the Google list as an attachment if that is possible.

Ritual Elders Report - John:

There is a man who has been a RT in training since 2008. He would like to go forward with a Hot Seat. Some in his community are not supporting this. John will put this issue to his Court for input and support. He is looking for other input. There was a brief discussion. There are 2 new RT's in training. 2 Men have been successfully Hot Seated. 2 additional men have been recertified. The roster that has been kept of RT's is out of date. The list on the MKPConnect list is also not current. John is working on getting administrative privileges for this list and getting it up to date ASAP. John is still looking for a RE coordinator to replace him next year. Jim Howard initiated a discussion on how to get skill building training to RE's. John is working on a committee to develop something and many have a plan by the time of the USAGE.

Lead Elder Calls - Jim Fanon:

Jim is getting frustrated with the Lead Elder calls. He was the <u>only</u> man on the last 2 regional calls. The last call in this cycle is scheduled for the West Coast later this month.

Fund Raising - Jim Fanon:

The plan is to postpone a major fund raising effort until after the USAGE. It was suggested that the plan be brought up at the business meeting at the USAGE. Jim is willing to provide a handout about the fund raising at the meeting.

Mentoring:

Jim Howard suggested that the Court take initiative to institute a mentoring program.

No Old or New business

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