

GREAT OUTDOORS

Corporate Conference 10:00 AM Meeting

Convened at 10:15 by Brian Miller. Introduction of newly elected officers:

President: Brian Miller

Secretary: Bobby Hall

Treasurer: Byron Postma

Note to Trip Leaders: please send information about upcoming trips to Corporate VP of Outings, Michael Roth, including contact information.

ARCHIVIST: Craig Courtwright is the new corporate archivist. He will work with Sheldon Katz to create a CD of GO history to distribute to each chapter.

AWARDS: Craig has awards ready to present at the dinner this evening.

CONFERENCE 2008: LA chapter will host. No definite plans as of yet, except set for third weekend in October.

TRAINING: Mario Voce had 12 participants at Phase I and 5 at Phase II in September. Moving next year's classes to 2nd and 4th weekends in April. Used all remaining manuals this year, so will have to print new ones before next year's classes.

WEBMASTER: Ritch Barron announced "total reworking of corporate site" with many links to chapter sites.

WAGON MASTER: Lou Shea is willing to help coordinate RV participation on outings. Trip leaders will need to notify him if RV's are allowed, maximum length, availability of hookups and rate. It was requested that links be added to the corporate site to assist RVers.

PUBLICITY: Sheldon Katz was appointed as Publicity Chair at the September corporate meeting. He will be sending press releases to gay and non-gay publications. He is planning to outreach to women, people of color, and youth. Soon, he will call a meeting of chapter officers of outreach and membership.

DOCUMENTARY: Tom (?) has created a documentary on gay and lesbian camping. A portion of the program involved interviews with Great Outdoors campers at Valley of Fire in February '06.

CALENDAR: The next meeting for the Corporate Board will be hosted by Ritch and Byron in Long Beach, from 10:00 AM to noon on January 12, 2008. The Corporate Conference will be the third weekend in October 2008. The meeting for scheduling the chapters' trips for 2008 will begin at 10:45 AM.