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DENVER AREA COUNCIL

Jewish Committee on Scouting

Agenda

06/18/14

Attendees: Hyiam, Greg, Mike, Stuart

Opening

Pledge of Allegiance -

Dvar Torah – Mike

Korach and the rebellion against Moses – Korach says to Moses “It’s too much for you” in regards to the leadership. The job Moses had was too much for him to take on by himself. Korach said other Jews should hold prominent leadership positions too. We do something similar because of our own insecurities. We ant to not stifle ourselves. In the case of Korach it was to destroy Moses. Let’s say it straight. If you want to be promoted, go to your boss and say why on your own merit you should be promoted. What happens instead is people often state problems that exist and that the leadership isn’t able to help. So I should take their place. Or some people say, “I spoke to many people – they think I should be the boss.” You can never grow as a person if you don’t stand for what you believe in without knocking others. Next time, take full ownership of what you want to do and why you want to do it. When you have an authentic and honest approach change is certain to take place because you will grow by leaps and bounds.

Review May meeting minutes – Wrong date on the minutes; should be May 22nd instead of April 24th. Shawn – can you update those please?

Old Business

Kippot – status update - Dave Reynolds → Dave’s in Israel with Mayer for Mayer’s Bar Mitzvah. Next month.

Gavriel Asher’s Eagle Project Status update – Hyiam → Went really great.

VA can also request a bronze marker. Question: Can we request it if we don’t know the families?

Can we identify the illegible metal markers by using charcoal and parchment?

Eagle project to help clean it up? Trash and overgrown weeds.

Maybe B’nai Brit does something with this?

JCOS Flag – Shawn -get eyelets & clips from Mike; Mike will give Shawn the other ones for next time.

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Presentation for Program Kickoff – update – Shawn → Shawn's still working on that. Maybe in August? Do we need to meet in July too?

Transition Plan & Growth Plan – tabled

Eagle Scout recognition certificates – Update – Shawn → Next month.

Booth at Scout Show went well; forgot to mention that in the minutes previously.

Big Horn 2015 – Can a Shomer Shabbat Scout Attend? → Shawn still needs to get back with us.

Other Council (east coast?) → Talk to Spielman.

Still looking at Hyiam going to check that out. Shawn – do you know what he needs to do for that?
July 13th, July 20th might work.

New Business

Kinus 2014 – Sukkot? → No – 2015 because we did T'bishvat Seder in 2014. Not sure if it works for 2015 because of when it starts and ends. What about a shabbaton somewhere – Friday night – Saturday night? Let's re-visit the holiday for 2015. Maybe Pesach? Maybe Chanukah 2014? It's December 16th this year. If we do, let's start promoting in October through November. December 21st, 2014.

Summer Camp 2016?

Next Meeting: - Date / Time / Location?? Thursday, August 28th 6:30 PM at DAT.

Closing (Scoutmaster's Minute) – Mike

Korach possessed many outstanding qualities. He hailed from a distinguished family, he was a Levite, and he was a wise man. How could he fall so low? Moshe was exceedingly humble; how could Korash accuse him of taking on too much? There are two types of people. There are givers, there are takers. The takers are never satisfied; they always desire more. Korach took, he was a taker, he wanted more honor for himself. He was already privileged, but that wasn't enough. His intellect may have been corrupted.

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