



# The Sequassen Alumni Association

"The Trails Invite Us Still"

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President: Dave Sprowson  
Vice President: Dylan Hogan  
Treasurer: Dave Applegate  
Secretary: Niels Thomsen  
Ancient Advisor: Kenny Wright

## Sequassen Alumni Association Spring/Fall 2025 Business Meeting Minutes

**Attendees:** B Gold, K Unfried, K Polzella, T Heinz, S Fahy, N. Denehy, B. Page, E Andriola, M Krom, S Norton, B Cruson, C Flodquist, M. Berthiaume, A Farmer, P Maxim, S Sprowson, D. Boyajian, M. Maloney, D Nicol, J Zane, T Zane, D Obier, M Kennerson, E Kenneson, D Smith, J Volpe

**Opening:** D Hogan and D Sprowson call meeting to order

**Review of Spring Meeting Minutes:** Previous meeting minutes were posted on website following conclusion of fall meeting.

### Reports:

**Treasurer:** opened account at Edward Jones, accepted recent donation of stocks, can now accept further donations, also allows for creation of endowment and diversity to our portfolio. Account balance, \$79,720.38 total. Details can be obtained by contacting treasurer, D Applegate.

**Campships:** Two awards, 1200 total, 5 scouts who have requested assistance. All asking for partial awards, Working with council and treasurer to button up details.

**Camp Projects:** No current active alumni projects, looking for assistance when requested, please watch your emails. Completed this year: Two new lean-tos. Full renovation of Hillside. Recent funding allocated to picnic table updates and new benches at north shower house, all have been completed and distributed. North Shower house is 95% completed, projected operational by summer, awaiting state approval for well.

**Program:** Looking for additional members to assist VP with planning and executing events.

**Historical:** Located historical collections, all in possession. looking to digitize to have ready for 50th anniversary.

**Plaques and Memorials:** working with 100th anniversary committee to collect plaques for anniversary,

**Membership:** 167 membership plans, 24 Family. Renewal season will begin with start of summer camp. Transitioning from Square to Zeffy. Now offering auto-renewals. Will assist with recurring revenue

**Quartermaster:** Carhart t-shirts big hit, No more quarter zips, few hoodies, looking forward to summer. Using Square to manage online store

**Webmaster:** New form response for grill rental, square store space is cleaned up

**100th anniversary:** Planning is ramping up. Including planning activities, patches and memorabilia, working on obtaining obelisk monument to stand at entrance to camp.

**Ledge Campsite:** Last campsite to be fully renovated, needs 30,00 in funding. Number of organization contact, including New Haven rotary who previously have donated to renovations in that campsite. Planning on



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contacting troops who also stay in camp site during the summer to ask to contribute.

## Old Business:

50th anniversary price point: already purchased. ordered 100 patches. previously discussed price points of \$35 or \$50. higher price point obtains higher funds raised but fewer potential purchasers, lower point opens floor to all levels of membership. D Obier suggested 40. N. Denehy reports have seen patches at 60+. B Cruson: 75th anniversary patch sold at 50. Other patches being sold at ~\$10, allowing for younger members to still purchase memorabilia. S Sprowson motions to sell 50 year patches at 50\$, Seconded D Obier. Strong majority, motion passes.

**Inflatables:** Split cost between SAA, camp program, SIF fund. Looking to order by midsummer. progress being made to purchase by M Migliore. "Iceberg style"

**Oktoberfest:** Currently 21+ event. Suggestions for making a family event. Previous policy was if alcohol event required to rent entire south end of camp. Working on if policy still stands with new council leadership.

## New Business:

### Direction of funding from Reunion Dinner:

Celebrate 50th anniversary. Honoring founders of alumni, distinguished alumni award. Those who are the charter members. Distributing previous president plaques honoring prior service to those who have not yet received. raffles as previous. Trivia and museum will be added to event. Corporate sponsorship obtained. As of date, raised 1000. Looking to purchase new convection ovens and kettle. Additional donors have verbal promised contributions, not yet received. Set Date for 2026: July 25th is proposed by D Hogan. Purpose of Dinner 2026: raising for 100th anniversary of camp due to limited additional targets following this year.

### Bylaws change:

Distributed 30 days ago. Belief that attempting to celebrate two events, One reunion dinner and a anniversary event as separate events as required by bylaws. Allows for additional flexibility, removes requirement to Motion was made by K Wright to amend bylaws by striking Lines seconded by S Sprowson, 2 abstain, motion passed with large majority.

### Camperships:

looking to start a specific account for camperships, looking to allocate the funding raised by 50th anniversary patches and direct funding from Oktoberfest into this account. Following collecting 3 years to fund campships, all funding extra would roll over into general funding. Motion by D Hogan: Create the specific line item and account, then if campership funding line has more than 3 years worth of funding for camperships/scholarships based on current year regular summer camp pricing, at the end of December of each year excess funding would be transferred to general funds. Seconded by S Sprowson. Motion passes.

Addition of 3rd campership titled SAA Founder's award, to honor founding members of alumni. B Page discusses added name association, Motion by D Hogan Seconded D Obier, motion passes.

## Oktoberfest:

**Current year October 4th 2025. Proposed date for October 3rd 2026.** Purpose for this year and going forward of funding camperships

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## **Request by RD:**

looking to replace surfaces of benches at handicrafts with aluminum. Current surfaced with masonite but not most appropriate surfacing. Hoping that will be more durable than current. Need enough to cover 28 benches. approximately \$3000. Discussion including if scouts may dent Motion by D Sprowson. Seconded N Denehy. unanimous, passes.

## **Creation of discretionary funding for executive board:**

\$3000 maxim per year. Purpose to assist with funding smaller projects around camp. Spending from that fund would then be reloaded each spring. Approval of spending would be by meeting and execution of executive board. Motion create 3000 for use by executive board, Seconded J Fulby. Unanimous, motion passes.

**Spring meeting date: June 13th 2026.**

## **Announcements:**

each Wednesday of camp gathering at firehouse as in years previous. Additionally offering social at dining hall afterwards. **Dates: July 2nd, July 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th; August 6th and 13th.** Promoting further brand awareness.

## **Oktoberfest: October 4th.**

Allowed to stay overnight. All of south Sequassen is rented, access to a number of cabins, lean-tos and tents. Please let us know in advance if would like to stay over.

**Next meeting: October 25th at 3pm in Alderman Center. Zoom option will be available.**

**Other: N/a**

**Closing:** Motion D Sprowson, Second D Smith.