

**From the Beaver Creek Regional Council By-laws...
Youth and Family Services Committee:**

The purpose of the Youth and Family Services Committee shall be to create a supportive environment for the community's youth and their families.

Accordingly its goals are:

- 1. To generate social, recreational and educational opportunities for all residents, with special attention being given to school-age youth.**
- 2. To coordinate efforts of persons and groups working towards the same end.**

**April 1, 2011 Youth and Family Services Committee Minutes
Plan Calendar of Events for Summer 2011**

- Food Distribution dates
 - May 14
 - June 11
 - July 9
- Food Box Dates
 - May 11
 - June 8
 - July 13
- First Day of School (*Date to be determined*)
- End of the summer BBQ/ Back to school BBQ (*Date to be Determined*)
 - *The Back to School BBQ invites any group to RSVP for a table in the gym to have information for parents.*

Summer Programs

- *At Beaver Creek School*
 - *There will be an academic summer school from 8:15-12 Monday through Friday running from June 6-24. Participation will be by invitation only*
 - *The summer program will be held June 6-24. It will run 5 days a week for three weeks (Monday through Friday). The timeline will have lunch at 12 to 12:30. From 12:30 to 4, participants will do activities such as going to the Camp Verde Swimming Pool, the bowling alley, or an activity on campus. Staff meetings will be*

held. Costs for swimming and bowling is TBD by swimming and bowling fees.

- *In the past, Bob MacDonald paid for the driver and gas from McGuireville to Camp Verde and back for the swimming program. We are waiting to see what the cost will be for a driver and gas this summer. Donations can be made for these programs and sent to Bob MacDonald, % Southwest Expedition*
- *Issue of Summer Lunch Program: It will run for at least three weeks (during academic, summer, and daycare programs). **Karin will talk with Vernita about feeding the kids lunch and extending the program past these three weeks. Vernita to look into costs of staffing for the summer.***
 - *Summer Back Pack Program-- **Margo will give a letter to Micca to send home with registered DES children for the summer program. AmeriCorps workers will pack the back packs.***
 - *Summer Daycare Back Pack Program-- Jessica will pack the bags for preschool kids. **Margo will give a letter to her, as well.***
- *Volunteers needed to go bowling or swimming with Summer Program kids. **Margo to write up volunteer job description and send to Micca for approval.** Janet will get the word out that volunteers are needed. Volunteers will need to be finger printed and fill out a volunteer application*

Collect summer program information, including:

- *Local church Bible schools (Janet Aniol will follow up on these and similar activities)*
- *Jr. Ranger program with Daycare and other activities at Montezuma's Well*
- *Plan to create a brochure on Free and Low cost activities for youth and families*

Food Distribution and other Food Programs

- Food Distribution has seen less people coming out for food. In turn, this has meant that less food is coming from TEFAP. If we can get more people coming to the food distributions, we can start getting more food.
 - What are the best ways to tell people about the food distributions?
- Back Pack Program

- Currently serving 23 children ages 6 and up, 13 children, ages 5 and under (total 35 children are receiving food for the weekend).
 - Cost is estimated at \$6 per child per weekend. First Things First is funding the Back Pack Program for children 5 and under. To build the program for children 6 and older (as well as creating spots for children when they age out of the FTF funding), the Back Pack Program projected costs for the 2011-2012 school year is \$6,500.
 - Members of the Womens' Civic Club will be making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for both Back Pack Programs (35 sandwiches) on the first and third weeks of the month (April 6, 20, May 11).
 - Members of the LMWCC will also help with packing the bags and will be working with Jessica Ward, one of the pre-school teachers at BCS, to strengthen the program next year. Jessica will be taking over the program coordination for 2011-2012.
 - The Food Box Program has been successfully run for 2 months in a row by 4 new volunteers; Carol and Lonnie Anderson, Sandy McConnel, and Sue Knott (Sandy and Sue are both with LMWCC, and Sandy is also helping with the Back Pack Program. Carol and Lonnie saw a flier at the Adult Center calling for volunteers and asked what they could do to help).
- *Reviewed Youth Center Progress*
 - *Youth Center Updates:*
 - *Margo met with Merilee Fowler and got the history of the Camp Verde Youth Center. She also spoke with the former VISTA who worked with the Camp Verde Youth Center and was able to look over the documents and forms created for the Youth Center.*
 - *Margo also spoke with Hayley Brummer of the Boys and Girls Club of Northern Arizona to see what would go into starting a B&G Club in Beaver Creek. To join the Northern AZ B&G Club chapter would mean that policies and procedures would already be in place. Margo has followed up with Hayley to receive these forms to look over and has not heard back.*
 - *A survey was sent to the local high school-aged youth about what they'd want to see and what they would help with should a youth center be started. The results were discussed at the December 3, 2010 Youth and Family Services Committee meeting.*