

## **Southern Council Meeting** – Conference Call, 11/1/11

Notes by Helen de la Maza

Attending: Bryan Snyder and Helen de la Maza

### OUTINGS:

Bryan has organized a backpacking trip at the end of November. He would like to invite AEOE folks to attend as well. He'll be sending an email out to the council tonight or tomorrow w/ details and questions.

### FALL CONFERENCE:

The Health Lodge will not be available to AEOE Council for the weekend.

Information for Participants (Chas - please post on Southern Conf. web page. Carrie - schedule info. needs to change - quiet hours are different on that paper.)

- Rancho Alegre is a dry site. No smoking and no alcohol.
- Camp stoves, backpacking stoves, self-contained propane stoves are acceptable.
- Quiet hours in quiet camping and dorms is 10 p.m.
- Quiet hours in festive camping is 11 p.m.

Things that still need to happen before the conference - VERY IMPORTANT!:

- EE'er of the Year. Who is in charge of this? The nominations should be reviewed and sent out to the board for vote. ASAP!!!
- Organization of Saturday night potluck. We need to make sure there is some substantial (entree) food.
- Who is arriving at what time to help w/ registration, set up, parking, greeting. Rancho Alegre staff have offered to help with some of these things.
- Is someone MC'ing the Open Mic/Campfire on Saturday night?
- Who is doing the closing on Sunday?

### SPRING CONFERENCE:

Things I'm starting to get nervous about re: the Spring Conference:

- Keynote - we need one.
- Entertainment - will we pay or ask AEOE members to do it?
- Workshop Coordinator / Strand Coordinators
- Fill Volunteer Positions

The Winter Newsletter (article deadline Nov. 15) is supposed to have the following. Hence my getting nervous about the 1st item on the above list.

- **Deadline:** about November 15
- **Postmark:** early January or before
- Article about Environmental Educator of the Year Honoree
- Howard Bell nomination form Available here in PDF or Word
- Spring conference general information
  - Call for Presenters
  - Articles promoting conference – about keynotes, entertainment, etc