

Board Report for Tall Oaks:

This month took an unexpected turn at Tall Oaks with some surprising media coverage in regard to our relationship with MDA. The news reports were initiated by parents of campers with Muscular Dystrophy expressing their dismay that their camp at Tall Oaks was cancelled. We would like to thank the Regional Board members and Bill Rose-Heim for jumping in quickly with support and social media responses that demonstrated your commitment to the camp. This situation continues to evolve in positive ways in spite of the somewhat problematic way it began. Martha has given some wonderful interviews that have highlighted the best features of Tall Oaks, thus giving us some great publicity! And the concerned parents of MDA campers met this week with Martha and Lanette to plan out future options for them. This includes a family weekend over the Labor Day holiday in 2018 and plans of a week-long camp in 2019. The week of camp this June that MDA vacated has been filled with other camps, and a substantial portion of that lost revenue from MDA will be made up.

We continue to move forward with Greg Lam from Copilevitz Canter LLC in our agreement for pursuing status as a wholly owned subsidiary. Tall Oaks hosted 30 campers and 8 adults during Feb. 23rd and 24th for our third annual Chi Rho Midwinter. The kids continue to find this a fun and rewarding experience. And, finally, we are very grateful that Martha Pierce has expressed her desire to stay on as our permanent Executive Director. We look forward to the Board's response to this request from the Personnel Committee.

Thank you,

Kristin Dow and Suzi Goldt

Co-Chairs, Tall Oaks Ministry Commission