

6G Committee -- How it works

The Six Generation Committee is a group of cousins, who are between the ages of 10 and 18 years old, who get together at the annual Lumpkin Family meeting to make grants to nonprofit organizations that they believe in. This year, (2012), there are ten members: Emma, Claudia, Emily, Sophie, Max, Scarlett, Caleb, Christian, India and Byron.

How the process works:

- In advance of the annual family meeting, 6G members spend some time researching nonprofit organizations that do work that is meaningful to them. This could be an organization that helps kids in your neighborhood, animals in another state or people in Africa or Asia. The Internet is a great place to look for ideas. Your parents are also great resources for this information, so be sure to ask if you need help.
- Each 6G Committee member can fill out up to three 6G Committee Forms for these organizations, and you should bring them with you to the annual family meeting.
- At the annual family meeting the 6G Committee Members will get together with Annie Hernandez. At this meeting each 6G member talks about their organization and why they think it should be funded. You need to do your best work trying to convince your cousins that this is a good organization, because there is always lots of competition for the available funds!
- The total amount of money the 6G Committee gets to give away is equivalent to \$100 per participating member plus whatever was saved from the previous year. So if 10 members participate in the 6G Committee, the total pot would be \$1,000 plus last year's savings (which Annie will know).
- After the presentations are made, each 6G member gets chips that are equal to \$20 that they get to 'invest' with the organizations that they liked best. There will also be an option to save some of the money.
- The totals are then finalized, and 6G members get a chance to change their mind if they think a particular organization got too much or too little.
- A member of the 6G is then chosen to make a presentation back to the family on what organizations were chosen and why.