

Sep 7, 2006 Troop 26 Committee Meeting

Attendees:

George Youngkin - Committee Chair
Paul O'Connor - Scoutmaster
Terry Guarduci (commissioner)
Pete Detmering
Ed Martino
Phil Gruender - Treasurer
Pat McGovern
Joe McMullen
Mike Murphy
Carol Buzby - Fund Raiser - Cmte.
Elaine Lipnitz – Committee
Dave Costello – Advancement / Records
(I may have missed someone – sorry! Let me know!!)

Submitted by Bill Dreisbach - Secretary

Minutes:

Phil Gruender Treasury report

\$2983 balance. Should be \$400 flush with high adventure.
New treasury person - Tricia Holmes
\$250-300 recharged scout account at council
Prepaid for Pine Tree - Dec 8-10th 2006
Considerable shirt inventory - won't need to buy this year.
About \$2500 net after Seabase. \$700 to Styles, \$200 to collect from last year.

Old Business:

Trip coming up end of month - Gettysburg - Sep 29-31 - Carol B.
Leaving Fri from church at 6pm, returning Sun afternoon. Cost for weekend: \$15

MS150 - Sep 16-17 - Sat, Sun - Ed will call for arrangements. Cost: free

Next meeting - 1) get boys signed up for Gettysburg, and 2) start collecting nominees for new SPL and ASPLs. Nominations 11th, Elect 18th. Highest score = SPL, others are ASPLs. Current candidates have a lot of sports and other activities. Need more than one ASPL due to this. Top 4 (1 SPL, 3 ASPL)

OA elections - didn't have one last year. Just missed the fall ordeal (this weekend), but there is a spring ordeal. Lots of kids eligible this time around. OA having brotherhood weekend our Pine Tree weekend. Feb 2007 OA elections. George will contact OA to get info and commitment to conduct the ceremony. May 18-19 is spring Ordeal.

PO - Need to start planning more trips, esp. camping trips. They need them and will enjoy them.

EM - Spoke about fishing - Duke of Fluke - \$15 per head - take 50 people - Ocean City.

PO - sometimes pick same trips each year - one or two kids do some of these.

AI () - Pull out all trips for 4-5 years and put up as a reminder for meeting.

Issue - getting parents to drive. Cancelled 3 trips due to lack of parent attendance.

Camporee would have been an issue if not as close as it was.

Sandy Hook - great venue. Kids had a ball there. Hot showers.

Dec - Pinetree all set Dec

Beach Jam - same weekend as Gettysburg.

Backpacking in Oct? Need to decide.

Should try to incorporate one new thing each year. VF trip for example. We did 11 mile day hike plus movie.

Scouting for food?

Boy Scout Camporee April 20-22, 2007 at 6-Flags.

AI - 9/11 ceremony for Monday night - suggest Flag retirement ceremony.

POST on the web.

2 positions - treasurer - filled. Other position - quartermaster for trailer. Not enough time to be sure it is always ready.

Pete will stick around - Pine Tree, Dickens support. Same with Ed.

Fritzka - help bring new parents on board.

Train at least 2 people for a position.

Good time now to invite weblos - have until Xmas - couple months to get them invited to.

Mike Bradley - need him to run recruitment and advertise Pine Tree.

AI - Sep. 16th - noon to 3pm. Packs will be coming to this. In Freedom Park. Cub Scout get together - need troop to be there to advertise.

AI - Post on the website the need for the adult Quartermaster: Nice to have a vehicle to tow. Main requirement is to manage the contents and ensure it is ready. Towing and storage are not necessary.

AI - Popcorn person - Carol Buzby volunteered for this. Deadline for the order is next Fri. 20th Nov is final order deadline. Payments due in Jan. Adult help would be appreciated to help Carol with this job.

AI - Interested in pies? We are considering having a Michelle Pie sale but need an adult to run this. Be done around Thanksgiving. If interested,

AI - Friends of scouting - met the 2006 commitment! Good job! (showed certificate)
Post on web.

Certificate awarding troop at Yawgoog - honor troop - good job! Got ribbons for that also and certificates for the adults.

Move eagle plaque from Church to here? Should we consider going back to the Church? It was a better spot for the scouts. Reverend discussions with PO - their plans are to have scouts back when their building is finished.

Maybe we should have a bulletin board for the wall with troop activities. The scribe/historian can write our history and post on the web and the bulletin board.

Need to be promoting things we do - need to advertise.
Historian/scribe position - should have boys write up articles to post on web about our activities.

AI - Camden Riversharks - Fri Sep 15 - 7pm - \$7 per person.

WCD - Our Eagle Ceremonies need improvement. Vic, Matt, Lipnitz, Beans. Kyle is coming along soon.

PG - are postponing trips so will need a planning meeting very soon.

Oct - do things that Webelos will come out to. Maybe local trips. Sandy Hook? Intrepid?

Dec - Court of Honor at Spaghetti Dinner

Behind 6 boys almost eagle, have 2-4 boys coming along - became Life. Next year may have another 4 eagles.

Troop 48 - request to join them in Merit Badge forum. Think it is Oct. If we say yes, we will need to supply counselors.

Neckerchiefs - decision to order another bunch. Younger boys do ask and want to wear uniforms. Adults need to wear them also. "Lead by example"

Youth Protection - need every 2 years - can do online now.

AI - Nov 16th - Thu - next committee meeting. 7pm @ EMS.

Paul O. looking into a camping trip area for October. Suggest local and close for the weblos.