

TROOP 117
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MAY 14, 2008

Doc called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm and determined a quorum was present. Others in attendance were: Ed O, Diane Y, George F, Phil B, Alice K, and John M.

Justin H, Troop Librarian, presented his research on the cost for new edition merit badge books and containers to hold them. The committee approved spending \$55.49 for the books and \$15.00 (or a little more) for 5 containers. George will make the purchase from a list Justin will provide. Justin will purchase the containers and present the receipt for reimbursement. Ed will assist Justin in establishing check-out procedures on the night of June 23rd.

Evan C. asked to be put on the agenda to present his Eagle Project idea, but he was not present.

- ∨ Financial Report: Will be delayed until next month. Only minor adjustments are needed to balance the Moab trip account. George needs a list of scouts who attended new scout campout so that reimbursement for money collected over the cost can be put in their scout accounts. It's approximately \$10.00 each.

Minutes: The minutes were approved with the request that additional details regarding the change in scope of Luke's Eagle project proposal that was approved by the committee at the last meeting.

Discussion regarding the opportunity to have a pancake breakfast fundraiser at the church: Since there were no volunteers to coordinate, it was not pursued. We should keep in mind that every 6 weeks the troop would have access to Smyth Hall on a Sunday if we want to fit this in with our troop schedule in the future.

Scoutmaster Report:

-June 2nd is the Court of Honor. Ryan M, the SPL, will be absent, so Ed will tell Andrew W. that he is in charge of the program. There will be rank advancements (1st, 2nd, and Star) as well as merit badges.

- -A special ceremony will be held in June for advancements to the rank of Tenderfoot, including presentation of scarves.
- ∨ -The PLC is planning on having a summer program to help boys not going to summer camp progress on the trail. Doc will coordinate a one night camping experience for those who missed new scout campout and won't be going to summer camp.
- Ed would like a troop presentation on disability awareness on June 9th. Karen will be asked, but if not available, Doc will arrange for an alternate presenter. The presentation will be for scouts as well as ASM's and other adults.

-Older Boys: (i.e., the 16-17 year olds heading toward Eagle). They have been attending meetings, helping, growing the troop, and seem to feel good about their roles as respected leaders. The following scouts are in this age group: Andrew, Luke, Wes, Robbie, Evan, John, Jordan, Logan, and Matt.

-New Scout Campout: was fun and got requirements done. There is still a need for some ASM's to be fully trained

Old Business:

-Gift allocation ideas...needs to be "something meaningful":

a) consider sponsoring one scout and one adult to national leadership training (Big Horn and Woodbadge) at a cost of about \$200.00 each.

b) purchase matching head gear

c) purchase a second big stove

No decisions were made yet.

-A motion passed that John purchase 6 tents with the \$400.00 budgeted. If the cost for 6 goes over \$475.00, then only 5 tents will be purchased.

-Whitewater rafting: after much discussion, the committee voted approval to have John go ahead and coordinate the Glenwood trip as a family camp June 20, 21, and 22. The vote was 4 yeas and 1 abstention. The cost for the commercial raft trip is \$42.00 per person for ½ day. Refunds for cancellations available 24 hours in advance. It is important that people understand that since this is a family camp and not a Boy Scout camp, families are responsible for their own scouts and siblings.

-Phil is exploring family camp options. The committee would like to have this be a New Patrol Campout August 15, 16, and 17th. Families would be welcome, the location TBD. The committee suggested the location be within 3 hours.

New Business:

19th → -A motion was passed to have the next committee meeting at Sweet Tomatoes on June 12th. The cost for the dinner meal is \$8.19 per person.

-Camping equipment for sale on Craig's list was brought to the committee's attention. The items were passed on to the Quartermaster for consideration.

-Troop Guidelines review will be done in July.

-Julie D is now the advancement chair.

- o -George will send out a list to the adults about their number of years of service for confirmation so that service stars can be awarded. The district record will also be requested. In addition, George will give out the "45 year" patches in recognition for the number of years the troop has been in existence. It has actually been longer than that, but less than 50 years, and the patches go in 5 year increments.

-Doc will ask Lou M if he will coordinate the craft fair fundraiser this year.

-Summer Camp meetings will be held on a date TBD during the second week in June, followed by another one a couple weeks later.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Submitted by Diane Y, secretary