

Troop Committee Meeting Minutes
10-21-07

Attendees: Duane A., Ali A., Patrick S., Eric M., Walt A., Denise A., Kim C., Ron C., Vance G., Brian F. Don P.,

Meeting called to order at 4:13.

Opening comments by Vance. Welcome and introductions. Remember, we are here for the boys, not ourselves.

Approval of minutes from last meeting. Minutes were accepted and approved as read.

Follow-up on fall kick-off meeting. No re-chartering packets received yet.

Treasurer's report: No report available at this time. Cricket has a commitment on 3rd Sunday of each month and we need to consider scheduling to accommodate her. Meeting has been scheduled on 3rd Sunday to correspond with PLC. This is not absolutely necessary though.

Fundraising: Duck race was yesterday. No word of winners. \$300 was earned by boys. More information is needed about the wreath sales—watch for more info. at the Troop meeting. Ron said that help is needed for the Pancake Breakfast and had a sign-up list. Money for tickets is due by Tuesday if possible, but can be turned in as late as Saturday, but please let Ron know how many have sold.

Scoutmasters Report: Ron mentioned the need for help. Walt has signed up to be an Assistant SM. Follow up needed on his paperwork status. His help will be appreciated. Vance mentioned #3 of rules of conduct about respect for leaders. Discussion of disruptive behavior and how to calm the boys and keep their attention. Also, brought up camping rule about no electronic entertainment and how it pertains to regular meetings as well.

We discussed meeting dates and times for the Committee meetings. Several prefer Sunday. Vance will take a survey of members to determine the best day and time for the most attendees.

Advancements: Ethan is due for his neckerchief. Actually should have received it at the last COH, so we will try to present one on Tuesday. Also a couple of awards for menu additions for the Troop cookbook. Two Eagle boards of review this week for Steven and Casey. Council is moving towards electronic advancement recordkeeping. For the time being, Kim is more comfortable with the paper copies.

New Scouts: Ron says they are “full of spirit” and keep adults busy working on advancements. Several have completed the physical fitness requirement. A few are still struggling with the pull up.

Outdoor Activities: November 17&18 may be an orienteering outing with the LAOC in Diamond Bar. Community hike is Nov. 3rd. Help would be appreciated with outing coordination and planning.

Webmaster: Vance is still trying to keep the "Current Outing" tab current. A new calendar will be uploaded with proposed dates probably in a few weeks.

Training: No information presented.

Equipment: No information presented.

Adult Leadership: Denise volunteered to help with collecting all the medical forms. Ali volunteered to be Secretary and take minutes and help with reminders for Committee meetings. We discussed various committee positions that could be filled or could use some assistance. The core committee will have a separate meeting to come up with a list of tasks that might be delegated to other parents. This would provide opportunity for adults to help out and provide some relief to those who are carrying a heavier load.

Troop Calendar for 2008: List of proposed outings was distributed. The same list was discussed earlier at the PLC. Details and dates will be flushed out and a draft will be distributed if possible for review. Summer camp date and location will need to be chosen soon. Will discuss at next PLC.

Troop Bylaw Updates: No updates or changes were proposed this year. We discussed the \$20.00 donation request for Eagle Courts of Honor and if that can be handled differently. The issue was tabled for further thought and discussion.

Venture Crew: Boys are becoming busy with college and jobs. Perhaps will plan a couple of big outings for school breaks when they are all in town.

Next meeting will be in January. Date, time and location to be announced.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15.