

Boy Scouts of America
Troop 270
Michael McVeigh, Scoutmaster

Minutes of Committee Meeting 07/15/2013

In attendance were Linda Jenkins, Michael McVeigh, Trisha McVeigh, Bob Cullen, Steve McGuffey, Ray Beckwith, Nick Beckwith, Jim Grace, Summer Pearson (our Council Unit Commissioner), Randy Hughes, David Whittlesey, and the star of the show, Robin E. Woolsey, Esq., Man About Town.

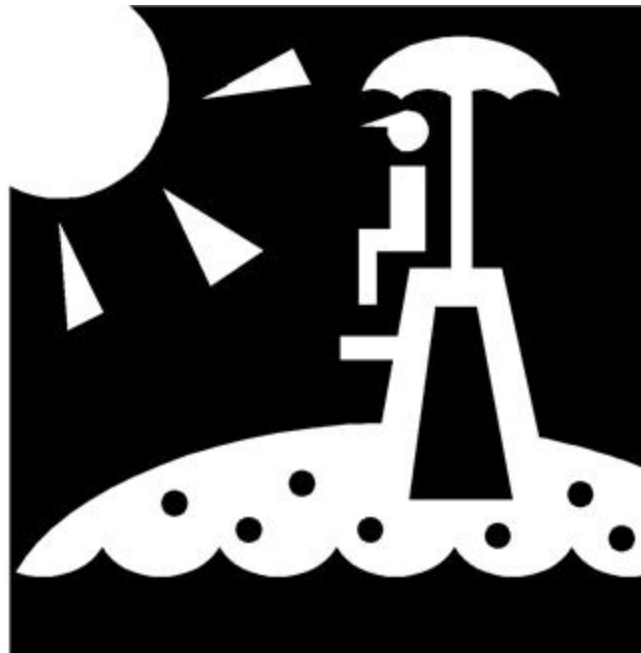
1. As if there was any other option, the Minutes from the last Committee meeting were approved.
2. Treasurer's Report – The checking account balance, cash on hand, cash and checks not yet deposited and the Council Store Account balance total \$6,568.93. From the total assets, subtracting the boy accounts (\$409.73), the Scholarship account (\$2,243.61), Scout Scrip account (\$773.46), the Gas fund (\$1,229.99), the Trailer fund (\$355.21), Northern Tier funds collected and not yet spent (\$3,008.90) all total \$8,020.90, leaving us a deficit of \$1,451.94. Lost Valley Summer Camp funds remaining to collect total \$178.04, while Northern Tier funds remaining to collect total \$2,404.30. Once these funds are collected (and they should be by the end of this month), we will have unallocated funds on hand of \$1,130.40 which will put us back in the black. The Committee discussed the imperative need to collect those funds. It was also noted that Troop funds have been expended for the Fourth of July Fundraiser and we hope to net in excess of \$500.00 from that event such that we will increase our financial position by that amount over and above the \$1,130.40. In other words, the deficit is somewhat artificial and by August, we should be fine and well in the black once the funds for Summer Camp and Northern Tier are collected and the Fourth of July fundraiser profits are applied. Jim Grace has worked hard to collect camping fees due from past campouts and we are in pretty good shape in that regard with about \$230.00 left to collect. Additionally, some boys are behind on dues and Jim will pursue those funds as well, although some of the monies are owed by boys who it appears may have dropped out of the Troop.
3. We went over the upcoming Summer Camp at Lost Valley and everything appears to be well in order, with thanks to the leaders who have worked on this. We also talked about the Fourth of July fundraiser which was only two days away and as these Minutes are being prepared after the Fourth, it does seem that it was quite a success as we had a lot of sales.
4. Court of Honor - Court of Honor is set for 9/23/13 at 6:30 p.m. We expect many advancements and merit badges as a result of Summer Camp.
5. Street clean-up - Is scheduled for Saturday, July 20th at 8:00 a.m.
6. Campouts/Activities – The August campout is set for August 23-25th at the Blue Ridge Campsite near Wrightwood. The Troop will be climbing Mt. Baden-Powell. We do need an adult to take charge of this campout and Yours Truly would be glad to assist. It is quite easy to head-up this campout. The September campout will be fishing in Big Bear Lake and the idea is to camp at the Serrano Campground on the Fawnskin side of the lake. The dates are September 20-22, 2013. We do need someone to take charge of this campout. The October campout is at Mt. Palomar where we will be able to stargaze with the amateur astronomers and tour the Palomar Observatory. That campout is set for October 4-6th and the Man About Town is in charge. For November, we are camping at Afton Canyon with Ray Beckwith in charge. We are trying to get someone to help him, maybe Nye Sovine (how 'bout it Nye?). There will be no campout in December, rather we will have a day trip to Exposition Park and this will be on December 7th. We will see if we can get Stan Dery to help us and perhaps get reservations to tour the Space Shuttle Endeavor. The Planning Meeting for next year's campouts will be held in late September, date to be set.

7. The adult organizational structure and leadership training for all parents and leaders in the Troop was discussed. It was agreed that we will have a mandatory parent meeting on Monday, August 12 at 7:00 p.m. Stan Dery will be asked to email all parents who must reply to Michael McVeigh that they will be attending. This meeting will be held during the regular Troop meeting but in order to avoid interruptions and the like, the boys will be taken on a hike to Mt. Rubidoux during that meeting. We will ask T.J. Jenkins, Nick Beckwith and one adult (we'll try to get the real Scoutmaster, Tom Gebelin to help out) to lead the hike. This meeting was on motion by Jim Grace and it was agreed that it would be a very good idea.

Linda Jenkins presented a list of duties and tasks that need to be taken care of by the Troop Committee and parents. This includes Tour Plans, Troop vehicle insurance documentation for outings, a Merit Badge Coordinator, reinstatement of the parent/family information sheet, a Scout Advancement Chair, an updated Troop Roster, the Troop Calendar, the organization arrangements and follow up for Troop outings, Scouthouse grounds maintenance and improvement projects, a Fundraising Coordinator, a Training Chair and someone to take charge of the Adams Street Clean-Up. Some of these duties can be combined and do not require separate individuals. Linda, Michael and Robin will assign and obtain volunteers for these duties with a job description per position and the parent meeting is the vehicle to accomplish this. We also need someone to take charge of the adult leadership training in the sense of seeing to it that adults who are registered leaders get all of their training up to snuff. This person does not need to provide the training, just make certain that the adults are current on their BSA training.

8. Troop nominations will be held on July 15 and elections on July 22nd at the regular meetings.

Next Committee Meeting – September 3, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.



Robin Woolsey, M.A.T., Recording Secretary