

Boy Scouts of America
Troop 270
Doug Moore, Scoutmaster

Minutes of Committee Meeting 3/13/12.

In attendance were Don Herweck, Doug Moore, Stan Dery, Jim Grace, Michael McVeigh, Steve McGuffey, Marcelyn Scott-Beckwith, Linda Jenkins, Bob Cullen and Yours Truly, Robin Woolsey, the M.A.T.

1. Treasurer's Report – Between the checking account, petty cash, undeposited cash and checks, Council Store account balance and Stater Bros. gift cards (for campout food) on hand, the Troop has \$11,850.91 in assets. The Council Store balance is \$1,486.91, the boy accounts are \$2,593.35, the scholarship account is \$1,719.82, boy scrip balance is \$1,166.59, the gas fund is \$622.65, the trailer fund is \$199.69 and \$2,120.00 has been collected for Sea Base that will now presumably be applied to Northern Tier for those same boys going to Minnesota. \$104.60 still remains in the Troop account toward the bathroom remodel, and deducting the Stater Bros. gift cards of \$500.00, that leaves \$1,337.25 in usable funds. It should be noted that for Cherry Valley Summer Camp, the Troop has expended \$4,415.00 in payments to the camp while only \$3,545.22 has been collected. This means we are currently short \$869.78 from those who are going who are supposed to be making payments. It is important that the parents get the payments up to date.

The Committee discussed again the fact that we have a number of boys who are behind in dues, campout fees, etc.. It is imperative that efforts be made to collect these past due funds as they continue to grow. Some of it also includes summer camp fees from last year that are unpaid.

2. Registration of New Boys and Adults – We are awaiting the signature of our new chartered organization rep (Wayne) so that new boys and adults can be properly registered. Some boys do seem to be showing up for meetings but are not yet registered and we need to get that done.

3. Rosters – Stan will obtain updated rosters as we need to have phone numbers for all boys and adults.

4. Campouts – Michael McVeigh is in charge of Red Rock which has now been moved to 3/30/12 to 4/1/12. March 24 will be a street cleanup followed by Scout house cleanup and perhaps we can do some work on the bathroom as well. April 7 is Mt. Rubidoux trail cleanup with boys and adults to meet at 8:00 a.m. at the Carlson Dog Park on the backside of Mt. Rubidoux. Trail lighting is Sunday morning. Boys and adults are to meet at the Scout house at 3:00 a.m. and will then proceed to Camp Evans for donuts, hot dogs, etc. followed by trail lighting. April 27 is Spring Camporee and our Scout Master Doug Moore is in charge. The rocket launch outing is May 11-13 and Ray Beckwith is in charge. May 14 is the Court of Honor and Don Herweck will obtain the awards. David Mendoza will prepare the flier and Michael McVeigh will obtain the desserts. June 9 is a day outing to the Jet Propulsion Lab in Pasadena headed by David Mendoza. All attendees will be able to view current NASA missions, talk to the scientists who are running these missions, and there is no charge for this outing. June 22-24 is the Fiesta Island campout and Stan will get some information on the Aquatic Center to see if it is available that weekend. We do need someone to take charge of that campout. Bob Cullen reports that for the Carillo Beach outing in September there are only two sites available for the weekend of September 22. He will cancel those reservations and obtain four sites for the first weekend in October. This will allow 32 people to go instead of 16. This summer's camp at Cherry Valley was discussed and it is believed that Ray Beckwith and David Mendoza will be the adult leaders going. Bob Cullen indicated he may be going as well.

5. Fund Raisers – Mary Valdez was not available to discuss scrip but Steve McGuffey is assisting her and the Committee approved. Fourth of July food fundraiser will be run by Trisha McVeigh with those boys and adults who are not going to summer camp.

6. Website – Stan continues to do a bang up job and no one complains because who else is going to do it?

7. The PLC meeting held concurrent with the Committee meeting is planning the programs for April and May. This should be geared to the Camporee competition and model design and building for the May campout. It has been noted that the recent Troop meetings have been better prepared. The Committee discussed and approved the plan to have a uniform inspection and drill practice at an upcoming meeting.

8. Merit Badge Pamphlets – Now that the Merit Badge Pamphlets have been brought current and organized, the Troop is adding additional merit badge books to make certain that we have enough for all Eagle required merit badges and also to have some for those merit badges that historically have been earned by boys in the Troop. Don Herweck will be buying 18 more merit badges which should complete our library. The Troop librarian (Xander), needs to be certain that the merit badge books are properly checked out.

9. The Troop received two scholarship request letters from Chris V. and Brandon M. for NYLT and their requests have been granted and the funds will be used to pay for their leadership training.

10. Bathroom Rehabilitation – David Whittlesey, Rick Pfadt and M.A.T. will continue to work on the bathrooms to get them finished before Fourth of July. Help would be appreciated.

11. It was discussed by the Committee that more parental involvement by the new parents is needed. We do not want to turn boys away despite the fact that we are growing and have many young new boys in the troop. Stan will add a “talent survey” to the new parent / scout welcome packet. It will ask the parents for their interests, phone numbers and willingness to help out.

12. It was also discussed by the Committee and decided that there should be what amounts to term limits on being Senior Patrol Leader and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader. In other words, a boy should not hold those positions back to back as we need to give other boys opportunity to hold such a leadership opportunity.

13. Don Herweck announced that he will be stepping down as Committee Chair. The Committee thanks him for all of his years of service to the Troop in that capacity and as a parent. It was then discussed by the Committee that a search needs to be discussed for a new Committee Chair. After some discussion it was decided to break up Don’s job into two. Don has been handling the advancements which means signing up new boys and adults and obtaining awards for Courts of Honor. Linda Jenkins has volunteered to take up those duties and the Committee approved her becoming the Advancement Chair. We will still need a Committee Chair. Stan will post the duties of a Committee Chair on the website and volunteers for the job are requested.

Next Committee meeting is May 8 at 7:00 p.m.

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



