

Boy Scouts of America
Troop 270

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Minutes of Committee Meeting, February 22, 2005

In attendance were Tom Gebelin, Jerry Dodds, Don Herweck, Larry Crilly, Janet Kilcoyne, Stan Dery, Jay Kordic, Dave Johnson, Dave Oconn and Robin Woolsey.

1. The checking account balance is approximately \$3,200.00, which includes boy account money totaling \$860.11. For summer camp, \$2,385.50 has been collected and \$2,025.00 paid so far to the camp, leaving a balance of \$355.50. For summer camp we have a total of 24 slots (19 boys and 5 adults) but only 13 boys have signed up. We lose \$50.00 per slot of boys not going and therefore right now we have 6 open slots which would cost the Troop \$300.00. We do have about 5 adults signed up and may have more. We need to encourage more boys (especially the new ones) to sign up and go to camp. As far as registration, insurance and Boys Life, \$838.40 has been collected and \$598.00 paid for registration, and \$252.00 for insurance leaving us with a small deficit of \$11.60.

2. Our Troop website lost its web host who got out of the business and Stan Dery has obtained a new one. We were getting web hosting for free but now it will cost us \$100.00 per year, which was approved by the Committee.

3. Next Monday, February 28, we are having the Dutch Oven cook off. We have three patrols participating, the Cobras, the Panthers and the Owls. The adults get to eat the proceeds of the cook off.

4. Upcoming Troop events are as follows:

March 5 – Mowing, edging and grounds cleanup at the Scout House at 8:00 a.m.

March 12 – Tree planting a Fairmount Park. Meet at the Scout House at 8:00 a.m. Bagels and doughnuts to be provided in the morning by the City and hot dogs or something similar for lunch.

March 19 – Street cleanup at the usual location, 8:00 a.m.

March 26 – Mt. Rubidoux trail cleanup. Meet at the Scout House at 8:00 a.m.

March 27 – Easter sunrise Mt. Rubidoux trail lighting. Meet at the Scout House at 3:00 a.m.

April 1, 2 & 3 – Shooting campout at Maywood Gun Club in Perris.

5. We need a new treasurer for the Fall, as Larry Crilly will be stepping down. We need a parent with a young boy who will be with the Troop for some time and who can be present at Troop meetings pretty much every week.

6. We need a new roster as the one from January is already out of date. Brad Austin will complete it. We have three new boys and a new patrol (The Panthers).

7. The Senior Patrol Leader needs to contact adults who have program activities assigned to them sufficiently in advance so that the adult knows what their assignment is, when they are scheduled and to allow them to have enough time to prepare.

8. We have 24 boys and 26 adults registered in the Troop.

9. Several boys are close to reaching Eagle. They need to come up with projects and the rules have changed and are tighter now. Possibilities include projects at Flabob Airport, Rubidoux Nature Center, Hidden Valley Nature Preserve, City of Riverside (through the Park Ranger) and possibly landscaping at the Scout House grounds.

10. Buckskin, the second level leadership program for scouts, will be held from June 19 to June 25 at Emerson. There will be two scholarships sponsored by the Troop to cover the \$175.00 cost for the program. Boys who have completed the prerequisite Cedar Badge who want to compete for the scholarship need to prepare a letter on why they want to go to Buckskin. Andrew, Timothy, Carlos and Aric are Buckskin candidates.

11. The committee discussed ways to try to get boys who are members of the Order of the Arrow to attend meetings and events. We need ideas, which would include getting a dad to go with them to the meetings.

12. Tom Gebelin has ordered new all in one "270" patches.

13. There was a discussion regarding getting Troop hats or Troop neckerchiefs. There are also new leather slides available through council and the three new boys in the Troop have been given ones courtesy of the Troop. There was a discussion of possibly buying the new leather slides for all boys in the Troop as they do not slide off and get lost. It was agreed to discuss this further. Ideas include an incentive that boys who bring their book and come in full uniform for one month get a free slide.

14. Next committee meetings are on April 12 and June 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Robin Woolsey, Recording Secretary.