

Boy Scouts of America
Troop 270
Michael McVeigh, Scoutmaster

Committee Meeting Minutes 09/02/2014

In attendance were Michael McVeigh, Steve McGuffey, Ray Beckwith, Nick Beckwith, Nye Sovine, Danielle Sovine, Renae Walker, Ana Navarro, Summer Pearson, Jim Grace, Steve McGuffey, Bob Cullen Robin E. Woolsey, Man About Town.

1. **Treasurer's Report:** Total assets, including checking account balance, petty cash, cash and checks not deposited, Council store account balance and Stater Brothers cards, gives us \$9,856.39 in total assets. Subtracting Boy accounts, scholarship fund, Scrip monies, gas fund, the trailer fund and the Eagle Scout account, totaling \$7,274.55, we are left with \$2,581.84 in available and unallocated funds. We do have \$296.08 remaining to collect for Mataguay Summer Camp.
2. **Re-charter:** Our Re-charter due date is 11/17/14 and all 2014 dues and re-charter fees must be paid or the adult or boy will not be reregistered. Adults must have Youth Protection completed and valid through 2015 in order to reregister.
3. **Troop Roster/Scout Tracking:** These are now complete and everyone should have access to the adult and boy rosters and the tracking of individual scout progress. Steve McGuffey as Committee Chair believes we are in need of a Webelos recruiting program. Renae and Danielle are working on recruiting fliers, informational handouts, etc. Steve suggested that a Troop Leader needs to contact some local cub packs, show up at their meetings to keep a flow of contact which would hopefully produce graduating Webelos recruits. The Committee elected to revisit this after Webelos Woods in October.
4. **Merit Badge Counselors:** Steve has been attempting to contact Council for weeks to get new Counselors trained. New Merit Badge Counselors within the Troop are Brian Paquette, Melissa Perkins, Duffy Exon, Steve Grimes and Kenny Nicks.
5. **Journey to Excellence:** The requirements for the Troop to earn the Journey to Excellence Award were discussed in detail. Aside from timely re-charter, the big issue is properly trained adults who have completed their Youth Protection. Those leaders in the Troop who have not paid their dues will be dropped from re-charter and the scouts will be dropped as well. Renewing leaders need to complete not only Youth Protection but some leader specific training. Steve McGuffey is interested in putting together an Introduction to Leadership Skills training course for our adults.
6. **Popcorn:** Participation and funds raised thus far are good.
7. **Scouthouse Painting:** The Scouthouse painting project will begin with preparation work on November 1st and 2nd to be followed by the actual painting on November 15 to 16th.
8. **Trailer Tires:** Robin will look into whether they are still good or bad by having a tire store he knows well look at them.

9. **Miscellaneous Items:** Steve McGuffey suggests pushing for individual Patrol meetings outside of regular meetings. Some of the older boys are not very interested in mentoring the younger boys and a leadership training course that would be conducted in-house was discussed. It was also suggested that for those scouts we have not seen in a while, another scout or recruiter could call them up to try and get them back into the Troop as an active member.

10. **Update on last Committee Meeting:** The Committee revisited the prior suggestion that we have one outing per quarter to substitute for a Monday meeting. Thus far we have had a Dutch Oven Cook-off planned and we went on the Mt. Rubidoux hike. The Committee also discussed making sure that the boys who are assigned position duties actually perform them and the SPL/ASPL conduct perform reviews. Steve McGuffey will construct self-evaluations for each position. Position duties for each position also need to be constructed. There was also further discussion on trying to make certain that scouts have regular opportunities to have requirements signed off in their books.

Next Committee Meeting: Next committee meeting is November 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

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