



Troop 477

Committee Meeting Minutes

January 5th, 2004

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM.

Present: Jeff Glaze, Peter Bain, Del Price, Bill Aaron, Walt LaRoche, Carolyn Sparks, Mark Botsch, Barry Deutsch, Nancy Farrey, Mike LaPrade and later Bob Melton.

Committee Reports:

Troop Committee Secretary (Carolyn Sparks, present)

Dec. meeting minutes approved. Past copies available on web page.

Committee Chairman (Jeff Glaze, present)

1. Recharter is done except for the meeting with Pastor of Church. District due date is Jan. 10th.
 - a. 35 scouts (down from 55 last year, but many of those moved or were not active)
 - b. 28 adults

Chartered Organization's Representative (Mark Botsch, present)

1. Feb. 8th – Scout Sunday.
 - a. Would like to present flag ceremony.
 - i. Bob Melton to see which boys might need this requirement.
 - b. Put list of Eagle Scouts graduated from the troop and members of Church in bulletin (Jeff has list).
 - c. Need to purchase bulletins ASAP.
 - d. Boys to pass out bags for collecting food Sunday prior so they may be taken in Feb. 8th.
 - i. Boys also may have extra bags to pass to neighbors and friends for Scouting for food.
 - e. Henry wants to have Mark Botsch to ask permission to set out table and possible static display (tent set up, other display)
2. Phone issue being discussed with John, now being removed from our agenda.
3. Fire Extinguisher has been purchased for troop but is still in Church.
 - a. Mark Botsch to request a second extinguisher for equipment room.

Camping Chairman's Report (Peter Bain, present)

1. January trip paperwork done, Bill Aaron Campmaster.
 - a. 7 scouts currently signed up
 - b. 4 adults: Joseph Clements, Wendy Gibbons, Bill Aaron, and Barry Deutsch.
 - c. Jeff to send out email for all scouts to sign up ASAP (already done before minutes posted)
 - d. Church Bus not available; there was question as to if van rental would be needed or few enough going to only ride in personal vehicles.
2. February Ski trip date changed to Feb 27th-29th.
 - a. Jack learned that previously planned dates were booked long ago. In addition, President's Day weekend would be more waiting in lines than skiing.
 - b. Currently **NO ADULTS SIGNED UP. NEED ASAP!**
 - c. Jack Linder to check cutoff date for holding cabin reservation.
 - d. Cost for trip estimated approx. \$140.
 - e. Permission slips to be available 2nd Thursday meeting in January.
3. March trip – Backpacking at Standing Indian. Bob Melton Campmaster.

Unit Commissioner's Report (Paul Porwoll, absent. Walt LaRoche present)

1. Boy Scout Leader training to be held each Thursday in February with camping on 1st weekend of March.
2. March 20th next NESA day. Info on website and/or annual planning CD.

Treasurer's Report (Mike LaPrade, present)

1. Detailed account statement distributed, available to any who wish to view it.
 - a. \$8870.46 in account after reconcile of Dec.



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- b. \$842.00 troop owes back to boys, posted to individual accounts.
 - i. Any boy who wishes to use money from his account should make note of this fact when turning in envelopes for payment of camping fees.
- c. Net income of \$3119 includes recharter not expensed back yet.
 - i. After recharter, troop will be nearly at break-even point.

2. MANY THANKS TO MIKE FOR INFINITELY BETTER TRACKING OF EXPENSES AND FINANCIAL DATA!

Community Service/Good Turn (Del Price, present)

1. December community service project for selected family excitedly received.
 - a. Harrison Bain, Bob Melton, and Peter Clements delivered goods Saturday following collection meeting.
 - b. Mr. Melton would like to see boys help with delivery next year.
 - c. Enough goodies were delivered for 2 families. Consider sponsoring 2 families next year with more advance notice.
2. Bags will be passed out to boys prior to Scout Sunday to collect food for Scouting for food.
 - a. Consider some small prize for boy who collects most food.
3. Jan. 17th another Church workday. Will try to finish the clearing begun on last workday.
 - a. Any boys not going on camping trip may try to attend for service hours.
 - b. Many good straight sticks for pioneering projects still remain but will be gone afterward.

Advancement (Jack Linder, present)

1. December: 2 rank advancements (Nick Lichire & Michael Fessendon both achieved First Class)
2. January 29th 7:00 dinner** – Court of Honor, but Sarah Costner cannot help. Nancy Farrey said if she had help she should be fine.
3. Patrol Advisors need to meet with Jack regarding progress, get printouts for boys in patrols to verify for accuracy and items needing attention.
4. NESA day reminder – do boys want to attend? Bob to discuss at next PLC.
 - a. Also mention NESA day at Court of Honor.

Equipment and Facilities (Hal Breffle, absent)

1. Hal and Jeff working on door replacement.
2. Thanks to Mike LaPrade for getting fire extinguisher.
3. Trailer in need of pressure wash, some touch up paint.
 - a. Andy Gibbons interested in project. Would like to arrange a project day.

Membership (Henry Fisher, absent)

1. Detailed report to be sent separately.
2. Need volunteers (boys) for table for Scout Sunday.
 - a. Need Venture Scouting represented.
3. Webelos den also to visit Court of Honor

Hospitality (Nancy Farrey, present; Sara Costner, absent)

1. Want everyone to know all are welcome to Court of Honor but would like alert to extra food needed.
2. Discussed desert "cook off" by patrols and Webelos den, but not pursued at this point.

Training Chairman (Joseph Clements, present)

1. Woodbadge training – March 26-28 & April 16-18, but may already be full.
2. Scout Leader training mentioned above.
3. Youth Protection available online, must be renewed every 2 years.
4. Joseph compiling data for any adults working toward Scouter's Key.
 - a. Scouter's Key requires attendance at round tables (6 in 2 years).



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- b. Ideally a representative (such as patrol advisor) should attend each month.

Senior Patrol Leader's Report (Harrison Bain, absent)

1. Should have new SPL by Thursday, to be effective Feb. 1st.
2. Thursday's meeting will have voting for new patrol leaders also effective Feb. 1st.
3. Stingray patrol has been divided into other patrols (since only had 3 members left).
4. New scouts will be a patrol through summer camp, then will be divided into existing patrols.

Scoutmaster's Report (Bob Melton, present)

1. Waiting on Danny Gibbons and Harrison Bain for Eagle Board.
2. Service Project report on delivery – "kids went ballistic" going through packages. Bob's only regret was that more boys couldn't help the delivery. Computer set up and made sure it was running.
3. Bob working on summer camp.
 - a. Needs to know adults attending whole week or part of week.
 - b. Boys need to select merit badges during patrol corners of upcoming meetings.
 - i. Secretary note: I will prepare email of listing and schedule of merit badges for summer camp for boys to review before meetings.
4. Need adults for Ski trip.
 - a. Cindy Aaron will likely want to go.
 - b. Bob's older son may attend.

Other Business

1. Venture applications available. Brief meeting to follow Committee meeting.
 - a. Kick-off meeting to be held Super Bowl Sunday at 4:30.
 - b. First trip already planned (March 19-21) to Camp Thunder.
 - i. Will provide opportunity for adults to get "Climb On Safely" certification.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35. Next meeting Monday January