



Troop Committee Minutes September 10, 2001

Attendees: Mark Botsch, Jeremy Webber, Corky Gibbons, Eric Keisel, Dianna Thomas, Jeff Glaze, Billy Parrish, and Hal Breffle.

Troop Committee Meeting called to order by Chairman Mark Botsch at 7:30 PM.

Committee Reports:

- **Chartered Organization Representative:** Joe Magaro, absent – no report.
- **Unit Commissioner:** Walt LaRoche, absent – no report.
- **Outdoor/Activities:** Mike LaPrade, Absent – no report available. Discussion occurred as follows: This weekend's camping trip is in doubt due to minimal participation from our older scouts, and some adults. The consensus was that at this Thursday night's meeting, the adult leaders should discuss the viability of this trip, and whether or not to change plans. Corky Gibbons asked for information on who would be going on the Georgia Tech ushering outing. There should be enough adults going, Corky to coordinate.
- **Treasurer:** Brian Gamble, absent – no report.
- **Communications:** Glynn Gamble, absent – no report.
- **Fundraising/Popcorn Sales:** Wendy Gibbons, absent. Corky Gibbons reported that Scouts and adults will be need to meet at the Scout Hut at 7:45 AM Saturday to go pick up popcorn. Large amount of popcorn has been ordered for sale by the Troop. Additional garage space is desperately needed. None was immediately identified by the committee. Committee Chairman asked that an e-mail be distributed asking scout families to volunteer space, and ask for people to help pick up the order Saturday morning.
- **Service/Good Turn:** Leslie Kerben, absent – no report. Discussion as follows: Jeff Glaze suggested we participate in the upcoming service project of the church to build a house. Jeremy Webber has participated in the "Charis House" before with his church, Holy Innocents Episcopal Church, and described his experience (Similar to Habitat For Humanity). Service hours will count for rank advancement. Some info is available on the internet at:
<http://www.kingswoodumc.org/missions/CharisHouse.html> It was agreed that we would encourage participation. It was suggested that Webber boys talk about their past experience in this at the meeting this Thursday. Committee Chairman to follow up with Kingswood's coordinator (Jack DeVos) for this service project, and Leslie Kerben to get details and organize participation. Work dates needed.
- **Advancement:** Jeff Glaze reported that Jefferson Eagle Scout application has been returned to the Troop, signed and ready for Jefferson to schedule his Eagle Board of Review. Committee Chairman has the paperwork. Jeff reported that the new merit badge counselor list will be posted on the advancement bulletin this Thursday. Several merit badge counselors have been dropped from the list, and Jeff is awaiting



input from several counselors who still need to turn in their updates. Jeff also mentioned that he had made the commitment to the Scoutmaster to organize merit badge counselors to provide merit badge introductory programs for upcoming Troop meetings that coincide with the monthly program themes. Jeff admitted he was behind on this but will get it done. Jeff reported that we are back on our regularly scheduled board of review schedule. He mentioned that at least two Scouts, the Davees, are ready for boards, hopes to see them this month!

- **Life to Eagle Coordinator:** Robert Melton, absent – no report.
- **Equipment & Facilities:** Mac Bickerstaff, absent – no report. Discussion as follows: Jeff Glaze requested that the Troop Committee contact Cub Scout leaders who use the Scout hut and remind them to empty the trash after meetings, especially when food garbage is present.
- **Membership & Webelos:** Doug Newlands, absent – no report available.
- **Health & Safety:** Wendy Gibbons, absent – no report.
- **SME:** open, no report or discussion.
- **Recharter:** Mark Botsch, no report.

Senior Patrol Leaders's Report:

- Stephen Thomas, absent – no report.

Scoutmaster's Report:

- Peter Bain, absent – no report.

Old Business None was discussed.

New Business A discussion ensued regarding the need to include the parents of newer/younger scouts in the adult leadership of the Troop, especially in light of the fact that the current core group of leaders have sons who are older and may not be as active in the near future. The need to support Peter as Scoutmaster was discussed as his work and other commitments keep him from as intensive a role as he has been performing. Names of several adults were mentioned for possible “grooming” as a future Scoutmaster.

Meeting adjourned: The next Troop Committee Meeting is October 1, 2001 at 7:30 PM.
Committee members may submit written reports if they are unable to attend.