

Committee Chair Joan Holladay called the meeting to order at 7:45 pm.

Members present were Joan Holladay, Bob Melton, Ruthy Stephens, Jeff Glaze, Trevor Alexander, Gene Gaultney, Rob Alexander, Barry Deutsch; Nancy Farrey, John Peterson

Committee Chair Joan Holladay reported on rechartering. Thirty five Scouts and thirty five adults were rechartered. The Troop met Quality Unit requirements. She noted that 100% of the Troop participated in an outdoor activity or service project. There were 22 rank advancements, four special awards and 65 merit badges earned during the year. The visiting Troop from the Clemson area spent the night and appreciated the Troop and the Holladays' hospitality. Joan would like the Troop to be prepared for future visitors by having pads in the church so that the Scouts could sleep comfortably. Joan discussed the Boy Scouts policies on disabilities and will continue work on educating Troop members on working with boys with special needs, including learning disabilities. Nancy will draft an addendum to the health forms. Completion would be voluntary, but parents could share info about their Scouts disabilities or ways to work more successfully with him.

Secretary-No report

Chartered Organization Rep-No report

Camping report was given by Chair Gene Gaultney. Gene wrote two thank you notes to the church in Alabama who hosted our Scouts on the trip to the USS Alabama. The December trip to the Museum of Aviation in Warner Robbins went well. The Cooking Challenge was well done and the Scouts enjoyed that. Bob will email photos to Rob Alexander for the newsletter. The January trip, January 19-21 to Standing Indian will be led by Campmaster David Fessenden. Plans are being made for the February trip to the Kennedy Space Center over the long February break.

Health and Safety No report.

Treasurer No report

Community Service Ruthy reported that the family was very appreciative of the Troop's efforts and gifts during Christmas.

Advancements Peter Bain reported one merit badge.

Facilities No report.

Equipment No report. Troop Quartermaster Preston Burns has resigned this leadership position.

Membership Jeff Glaze reported on the plans for the 36th anniversary celebration. A reception will be held in the Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 am Scout Sunday service on Sunday, February 10. Displays and demonstrations will be done by the Scouts. Eagle Scouts and Assistant Scoutmasters will be recognized. The Troop will host the church's Wednesday night supper on Wednesday, February 13. Jeff has completed the post cards and given them to Scouts to address to two friends. Barry Deutsch will get the addresses of the Webelos from Pack 477.

Hospitality The next Court of Honor is on Thursday, January 31. Dinner will be at 7pm with the awards to follow. The PLC requested pizza, so Nancy Farrey will research prices and order. The Patrols will bring salads, dessert and beverages. The Troop will

provide the paper products. Scouts are also requested to bring an offering for the Food Pantry.

Training Chairman No report.

Communications and Publicity Report Articles are needed for this month's newsletter. A meeting for those participating in either of the expeditions to the Northern Tier will be held on Thursday, January 10 before the Troop meeting.

Senior Patrol Leader The Troop will be doing art of different types at the January meetings. They will be doing wood burning to make new Troop signs, and will hold elections for Patrol leadership on Jan 24. February will focus on Communications and public speaking. Scout Sunday preparations will be tied into this topic.

Scoutmaster's Report: Team building activities will help prepare the Troop for the Camporee in March. Dean Melton will assist the Troop by teaching a Wilderness First Aid Training Course. This training will be valuable for all Troop members, but especially those leaders attending Northern Tier this summer. There is \$700 in the Church's Account to be used for transportation.

The next Troop Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 4, at 7:45 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Farrey