

Troop Committee Meeting

February 26, 2007

Members present: Austin Patneau, Mike Lenahen, Bob Chapa, Ginny Chapa, Tina Holland, Judy Delbreuck, Julie Buckley, Patty Smith, Ben Adams, Dick Bayse, and Steve Linn.

Ausin Patneau called for a motion to approve last month's committee minutes. They were unanimously approved.

RECENT CAMPOUT: Ben Adams reported on a successful ski campout, including travel, food, scout's behavior, etc. A merit badge was achieved by the boys who attended the campout. Dick Bayse will take care of obtaining the blue cards for this merit badge and give them to the boys at the next "A" meeting.

EAGLE SCOUT CEREMONY 2/24/07: Bob and Ginny Chapa reviewed highlights of the past weekend's Eagle COH for Matt Smith, Michael Bradfute, Andrew Barbour and Rob Chapa.

Patty Smith announced the date of next month's Eagle COH for Travis Allen, Ian Svilokos and Brendan Hogle, which will take place on Saturday 4/21/07 at Ponte Vedra Presbyterian Church at 10:00 am.

NEW BUSINESS: Austin Patneau reported on open positions in the troop. Tina Holland has already stepped into many of these positions. Since Judy Delbreuck will be leaving in a few months, her duties will have to be assumed. Mike Lenahen stated that he would like to see at least one adult per scout family volunteer for a position within the troop. The positions of Merit Badge counselor, recharter and membership, Court of Honor, recruiting and new scout orientation are presently available to be filled. Dick Bayse offered to assume the merit badge counselor position. Various scout parents names' were discussed for the remaining positions.

CAMPOUTS: The following dates are scheduled for campouts. : Camp Blanding March 23-25, Camp Shands April 13-15, Caves May 4-6. Steve Linn suggested that the proposed canoing campout be scheduled for a fall campout. It was suggested that the upcoming year campouts be decided upon in June, 2007. The newly elected PLC will be involved in that determination.

UPCOMING ELECTIONS: Mike Lenahen suggested there be elections for new PLC at the March 5, 2007 "A" meeting. Mike L. stated that there are 5 possibilities for SLP in the troop presently. He stated that he would like Chris Morrill to continue as Quartermaster. He suggested a 2nd year scout be a 1st year patrol leader. The March 5 "A" meeting will be the election for SPL.

SUMMER CAMP: Reservations need to be confirmed for Raven Knob on July 7 – 14th 2007. Bob Chapa, George Pisacano and Dick Bayse will collaborate on confirming these reservations. Dick Bayse offered to arrange summer camp payment collection, etc.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tina Holland reported that there is \$5,054.23 in the bank account.

EQUIPMENT REPORT: Mike Lenahen reported that T 277 bought another trailer, therefore they won't be purchasing T288's old trailer. It was suggested that in light of T288's growing numbers, it may once again be necessary to utilize the old, larger trailer. Brief discussion took place among committee members re: investigating what it would take to get the old trailer in safe, working order, including insuring it, etc.

Regarding signage for the new trailer, Mike Lenahen located a sign company that would do the job if the trailer is brought to him. Tina Holland offered her husband; John could transport the trailer to the company to do the signage.

NEW WEBELO CROSSOVER: The following dates are scheduled for various pack crossovers: March 6 Pack 291

March 19- Pack 277

March 27 – Pack 266

Mike Lenahen stated that he will attend the crossovers.

Judy D. suggested that there be a new parent orientation on April 9, 2007. She solicited Ginny Chapa to assist her at that meeting. GC will assist.

NEW CALENDAR CHANGES: There were schedule changes made to the existing scout calendar to better fit the new scouts entering the troop, spring break and campouts.

These changes will be forwarded to Rick Jarvis to update the calendar on the Troop 288 website to reflect these changes.

EAGLE SCOUT UPDATE: Mike L. reported on Eric Nickerson's update.

SERVICE PROJECT: Patty Smith reported on the January service project at LOL, which included taking down posts. The next project day is scheduled for Saturday, 3/31/07 from 10:00 – 12:00. This will include post removal as well.

MERIT BADGE PLANNING: Mike L. reported that he will get with George P. to plan upcoming merit badges. Julie Buckley reported that her husband has offered to teach the 3 citizenship MB's.

TRAINING: Ginny Chapa had nothing to report. Dick Bayse reported that he recently attended the University of Scouting. As soon as elections are completed, Junior Leadership Training will be completed.

Dick Bayse reported on his attendance at the past weekend's camparee.

ROUNDTABLE: Dick Bayse attended the February roundtable. Bob Chapa will attend the March roundtable scheduled for March 1.

MAY COH: Judy D. reported that it is scheduled for May 7. She stated that she check to be sure that we have the Landrum cafeteria secured for this event.

Mike L. asked about unit accident insurance. Judy reported that she recalled paying it in the past when she was treasurer. Tina Holland checked the check registry, as well as Jeff Humbarger being contacted during this meeting to verify that it has been paid for the troop. It was discovered that it has been paid and the troop is covered presently.

The next committee meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2007.