

Troop Committee Meeting

March 26, 2007

Members Present: Austin Patneau, Mike Lenahen, Bob and Ginny Chapa, Dick Bayse, Rick Jarvis, Tina Holland, Dana Ventouras, Julie Buckley, Marie Walchle.

Austin Patneau opened the meeting by requesting approval of February, 2007's committee meeting minutes. They were unanimously approved.

MARCH CAMPOUT: Bob Chapa reported on the recent weekend's campout at Camp Blanding. He reported that 42 people attended the campout and rated it as a "10". Much was accomplished. There were 9 new scouts that attended. Older scouts started the Orienteering merit badge. There was reportedly one scout who sustained an injury on the campout. Bob C felt assured that all appropriate protocols were followed. Julie Buckley, who also attended the weekend's campout agreed.

He also reported on a few incidents at the campout that required discipline. The specifics were reported. Various discipline measures were discussed, with the respective parents to be spoken with re: informing them of the individual scouts "probation" type status.

As a new parent on her first campout with T288, Dana Ventouras reported that "new parent" impression was positive.

Various patrols and leaders were discussed, with modification suggestions made. Campout attendance requirements were discussed as well for SPL's. This will be discussed with the SPL's at the next PLC.

Austin P. inquired re: committee member responsibility assumption of various positions. Lisa Adams will now assume responsibility for recharter and membership.

Karen Nickerson will assume responsibility for recruiting and helping with new scout transition into T288. The troop is still in need of COH chairperson. Rick Jarvis suggested that the scouts plan and execute the COH rather than parents. This was briefly discussed, with agreement that the past COH tradition should be modified to transition to having the scouts be more responsible. Therefore, this will be discussed at the next PLC, with Mike Lenahen assisting in carrying through with plan.

REMAINING CAMPOUTS:

Bob Chapa reported on the Camp Shands campout on April 13-15. It was reported that there will be difficulty that weekend at Camp Shands, with 1500 scouts attending an OA event there. The committee encouraged investigation of other camping options for that weekend. BC stated that he had other camp options to investigate and will report back.

May 4-6 The campout at the caves is still planned for that weekend.

AP inquired re: reservations for Cumberland. Bob C will followup.

Mike Lenahen reported on recently assigned POR among troop scouts.

SUMMER CAMP: Dick Bayse reported on various details. There's going to be a \$75.00 fee for the first deposit. Tina Holland will send out an informative email to troop members re: summer camp.

CLASS 'B' SHIRTS: AP reported that there are presently not enough of the "B" red shirts. The troop will need to decide on new shirts for the troop. BC suggested new shirts in the "quick dry" fabric. Rick Jarvis reported that he had a contact that could help with printing the troop logo on the shirts, etc. He will price it out and report back to the committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tina Holland reported that there's a current balance of \$3,621.05. There was recent equipment purchase for the troop due to the significant growth of the troop. Lengthy discussion took place re: appropriateness of items purchased.

EQUIPMENT: It was suggested that the troop have a fundraiser to make up for the recent money spent on camping equipment. Connor Holland is the new quartermaster, who will now monitor future equipment needs and then will present to the committee prior to purchase.

SERVICE PROJECTS: AP reported in Patty Smith's absence that the next service project day is 3/31/07 at LOL to complete the initiated project.

WEBELO CROSSOVER REPORT: Mike Lenahen reported that he missed the Pack 23 crossover. He reported that he has T266's crossover on 3/27/07 that he plans on attending.

ADVANCEMENT REPORT: AP reported that there will a scoutmaster conference opportunity on April 16th. This will be the last chance before the May COH.

COH: The next COH is scheduled for May 7, 2007.

DISTRICT ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE: Mike Lenahen reported that Eric Nickerson's Eagle BOR will take place at the next DAC. Carl Brown is going to present his Eagle Project proposal. This will take place on 4/12/07.

MERIT BADGE REPORT: Dick Bayse reported that the troop has an additional 7 merit badge counselors. Forms need to be completed by the respective MB counselors. Dick B inquired on what criterion should be instituted to complete incomplete MB for individual scouts. MB suggested each respective scout be presented with their incompletes and have the scout determine when they will complete it.

TRAINING: Ginny Chapa reported on the requirement of new scout parents completing the Youth Protection Course on line. Bob Chapa reported on his attendance at the last roundtable meeting. He briefly reported on his experience there. He offered to attend the April 5, 2007's roundtable.

PLC – Yet to be determined when the next meeting will take place.

The next committee meeting will take place April 23, 2007.