

Troop 288 Committee Meeting Minutes
Date: Sept 24, 2007

In Attendance

Tina Holland	George Pisacano	Rick Jarvis	Steve Linn
Ray Rahaim	Dick Basye	Cindy Tanton	Mike Lenahen
Leigh Leisle	Gary Christiansen	Julie Buckley	Amy Oulette

Meeting was called to Order by Tina Holland

Minutes from Previous Meeting: Accepted and approved

Scoutmasters Report: - George Pisacano

- Recap of Princess Place campout: Hot , Humid and Snakes! Senior scouts hiked in, New scout did 5 mile hike on Saturday. Highlight was building of the catapult. Campsite was free and a place worth returning. Vespers needs to be improved. Suggest the chaplain get with the assistant chaplain to work on this.
- Patrol Leader Training – we need to select dates to implement this.
- Meeting review: New format is more work, but also more productive and rewarding.
- Parents: need to remain quiet if they stay in the room. This is a scout meeting, not a parent meeting. Should parents or subcommittees have the need for discussions they are to take it out of the scout room. Your cooperation and consideration will be appreciated.

Secretary Report

- Website and calendar are up-to-date
- Brief discussion whether we need Troop Talk if we are maintaining a web site. Suggested having just for COH. Will determine need with subcommittee

Outdoors Report

- Change of dates for Jan & February. Keys trip now in Feb to take advantage of 4 day weekend. Backpacking moved to January.

Treasurers Report

- Current balance - \$1,362.08
- 19 of 31 scouts added \$20 to their summer camp fees.
- Initial budget for upcoming year dictates the need to enforce both dues and fundraising as a scouting requirement
- Fundraising – Wreath Sales begin October 1. All scouts are required to sell \$300 minimum.
- Long discussion on incentives and contests became quite complicated. In end, opted to allow an price for the top 3 sellers to

- \$75, \$50 and \$25
- Future Fundraising incentive tabled for review by subcommittee

Advancement Report

- Most scouts got 90% of the camping MB done
- Need to get the CPR Dummy to complete.
- Have BOR schedule on the web site

Membership Report

- All adults who have changed status, need to submit an updated registration form.
- New Parent Registration – goal is now to get them all registered as volunteers, so that at least one per family is represented
- Need adult volunteers to assist in recruiting Webeleos, will approach 1st year parents as they are the closest to the packs.
- Question: Must a parent be registered if not a volunteer?
- Medical Forms – Parents need to have forms on record if they are to camp.

Training Report

- PVPC has a requirement of Youth Protection called “Covenant Care”. We need the SM, ASM’s and CC to attend this training on Tuesday October 23. Committee voted to approve this training attendance
- **Reporting T288 Trained Adults to District** – District will accept a copy of training certificate from individual or a list of trained adults signed by Training Committee Member as proof of training. Suggest T288 require a copy of training certificate from adult or a list of classes taken **signed by adult** as proof. Should Youth Protection Training need special proof? Need committee vote/approval.
- **Tracking T288 Adult BSA Membership and Training** – Suggest T288 use Troop Master Software to track Adult Training. Any objections? Approved
- **Adult Volunteer Training Requirements for T288 Campouts** – Sent a letter on 9/12/07 to all listed on T288 Yahoo e-mail outlining requirements. Who from T288 coordinates adults attending campouts and will thus need to see list of adults meeting campout requirements?
- **Training required for T288 Adult Positions (SM, ASM, etc.)** – Present Report
- **Osceola District/North Florida Council Training** - Mike Sargeant just took position of Osceola District Training Chair. No Osceola training scheduled as of now. North Florida Council has training opportunities listed on their website.

Equipment Report

- Major cleanup was done at last campout in Princess Place
- Awaiting appointment for trailer sign application
- New tires were donated by Tire Kingdom for the trailer. Will send a thank you with troop picture from summer camp
- It was suggested that we have a supply for publicity to use as thank you's
- Need to rebuild shelves in the trailer.
- Need to move some old gear to the shed
- Scouts have asked to personalize patrol boxes. It was agreed that this is a good patrol spirit activity.

Old Business

- A spending allowance was discussed and approved that up to \$100 could be spent for equipment and supplies by the SM, ASM, Advancement or Equipment Chair in concurrence with the Committee Chair
- Expense reimbursement – All expenses are expected to be submitted within 30 days of date incurred during the scouting year. Please convey this to the treasurer asap if unable to.
- PVPC service – the troop would like to be active at PCPC for service to thank them for hosting our meetings. The Bethlehem project will require much help.

Next Roundtable - October 4. George and Tina will attend

Next Committee meeting – October 22

Pumpkin Patch – needs volunteers to unload Oct 12. Also need volunteers to sell wreaths at Pumpkin Patch