

Meeting Notes
 Boy Scout Troop 288 Committee Meeting
Monday, October 25, 2010
 PVUMC
 7:00 – 8:30

<p>Call to Order Introduction of New Members and Guests Attendance Recorded by Secretary – names highlighted in BLUE were in attendance as well as John Van Zyl, Tina Holland, Bill Rieger, Todd Coleman</p>	<p>Chair Leigh Leisle</p>
<p>Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes - Minutes approved</p>	<p>Chair Leigh Leisle</p>
<p>Reports from Troop Committee Leads</p>	
<p>Scoutmaster –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on COH Date Change to allow for Holiday Party – Would the troop like to have a Holiday Party/Meeting? Looking at the calendar, there isn't a lot of pre-work for the December or January camp-out. There is an Eagle COH on Dec 18. There is a Troop COH on Dec 13. Would like to consider moving the COH so we don't have 2 COH in the same week. What about moving the COH to either 11-29, (1-1/2 weeks after we camp and 1 week after BOR), or to Jan 3 (day they go back to school). I would lean towards 1-3, I think we could get good participation, holidays are over and would be a great time to talk some about upcoming events, ski trip, Webelos day, crossover, etc. If we move the COH to either date we could have a holiday party on 12-13. <p>Holiday party was discussed but the decision was not to have one. Decided to move Troop COH from December 13 to January 3.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December camp-out, Princess Preserve, Steve Linn had it on his P277 calendar for Webelos. If we don't invite the Webelos they will need to go to the Webelos/Akela weekend (same date and we won't be there but 277 participated last year). Some of the Webelos still need to do this for their AOL. This is the only camping option we have (November is backpacking and January skiing). I propose to have The W's/Akela that want to come down Saturday to join us for Saturday night. It is a low key fun camp-out where primary objective is fun, sports, fishing (a few early rank requirements for the younger scouts). After discussion, it was agreed that the Webelos would come down Saturday to join us for Saturday night. Will need to invite Pack 291 Webelos as well. • Spook-O-Ree was a big hit. Problem with all older scouts being in OA and leaving to work on trail, no troop leadership. I have discussed via email with Jack, Gary & Will. We will address before returning to Spook-O-Ree next year. Troop 288 took many awards. will send list as soon as I find it. • IOLS Training - 5 adults completed IOLS while there, John D'Aquilla, Skip Skipper Bill Rieger, Steve Wise, Michael Paull. That makes Bill & Steve fully trained now as ASM's- Congratulations and thanks to all for taking the time. The training was so good they asked us to put together an advanced IOLS class for leaders. A group is meeting 1/2 hour before the November round table to work on this. • Round Table - Council has 3 openings on the 3 Philmont contingents. They also have several openings for the SCUBA trek at sea base next summer. River Quest was a huge hit in 2010, so they are adding an additional week in 2011. Chip Bennett is the leader for all three Council contingents. • PLC- Patrols assigned as service patrols. Patrol leaders were reminded their patrol needs to be there by 6:45 when they are the service patrol and they will be the last to leave, straightening everything back up (sanctuary, restrooms, meeting rooms used) It was suggested that the service patrol be put on the on-line Troop 288 calendar. All thought this was a great idea. 	<p>Dick Basye</p>

PLC asked that we buy or make our own soda bottle rocket launcher for inter-troop, patrol competition. This may be done at the December Campout.

Lists of needed supplies for patrol boxes was given to Aaron, Need to make sure these are acquired. Question was raised if Mike Dahlin knows this falls under him and it was confirmed that he does know.

PLC agreed to do the trunk or treat at the church. It would be doubtful to have the trailer emptied out by then so we will need to use a couple of cars. They may put up a tent instead of using a car. Not sure yet who will buy the candy. Todd Coleman agreed to donate free Chick-fil-a icecream coupons for the event.

Ian & Arie are to teach Fireman chit at November camp-out. Will have some scouts teach totin-chip November or probably December camp-out.

The PLC was reminded of the mid term TLT on 11-22 at 6:00, before the PLC (this is easier than coming in on a Saturday for 90 minutes- abbreviated TLT) Individual SM conferences with each scout with a POR will begin 10-25-10. I will ask an ASM to sit in on these. The scouts with PORs were all given a position description sheet at the TLT (or by Tyler if they missed it), I send individual self evaluations to the scouts to use for these meetings. The purpose is to answer any questions and to help the scouts to succeed in their POR.

Secretary

Correspondence

- **Thank you note/certificate** - The PVUMC custodian, Ron Hovedstadt, helped tremendously with the shed on two Saturdays.
- **Thank you plaque** - Heritage Bank and Atlantic Engraving – Leigh will create a thank you certificate for each of these businesses. She will e-mail the certificates to Tina for printing (good quality printer), buy frames and then give the frames to Tina. Tina will give the framed certificates to Todd Coleman who has agreed to bring the businesses lunch as a “thank you.” He will bring a scout along (probably one of his sons) and take a picture to be sent in to the paper. It was also mentioned that it might be nice to invite Atlantic Engraving to the Eagle COH as they engrave the T288 Eagle plaques for free and made the new plaque holder. As a side note, it was stated that manager of Heritage Bank that we have been dealing with for all of our fundraising efforts (car washes and TPC parking) is no longer there.

Newsletter update - none

Website Update - none

Public Relations Announcements

- **Thank you in News Paper** – Would like to take 2-3 scouts to Heritage Bank and Atlantic Engraving, take pictures and then submit to two local papers

Outdoor Coordinator –

Equipment

- **Trailer/Equipment/Shed Status** –The shed is complete!!! Need to move the equipment and then sell the trailer. Gary asked if Debbie could list it on Craig’s list and it was mentioned that Steve Linn could possibly list it on his fishing website.

Outdoor plans

- **October Outing - Spookoree follow-up** – see Scoutmaster comments above
- **November Outing Status** – Going to Ravines instead of Bayard. Back up plan is to go back to Bayard but use a different site. The next few troop meetings will address backpacking. Will more than likely have a “troop” menu for this campout but patrols will still purchase the food. The trip will be Friday to Sunday with a 2 mile hike on Saturday.
- **December Outing Status** – Princess Place for sports and possibly astronomy.
- **January Ski Trip Status** – 26 scouts and 9 adults and possibly more. Fundraising was discussed and a car wash was deemed the best idea. Dick will talk with Heritage Bank about a date.

Diana Rawle

**Gary
Christiansen**

Miscellaneous

Drivers for Troop Events – The BSA Guide to Save Scouting (page 49) states that the driver has to have a valid driver’s license and that the vehicle is adequately insured. For summer camp, all adult volunteers were required to read the document which implied that they know the rules and are abiding by them. For monthly campouts, service project carpools, etc., we do not have a process in place that verifies that the adults know the rules. How do we want to handle this?

- o Does being a BSA member imply that you know the rules and are abiding by them?
- o Do we want to collect proof of insurance?
- o Discussion from Committee Gary will begin to collect the drivers license and insurance information for our adult drivers. Gary will address any driving concerns that arise.

Special Events

Discussion/Guidelines for Special Events – *As meeting time was limited, this discussion was postponed until the next committee meeting.* Once a year, usually over a 4-day weekend, T288 has a special outing/campout/trip. This is not a mandatory trip. Instead, it is something our troop offers. It is in the same category as summer camp in that it is not necessary to attend in order to progress as a scout. We keep offering these trips because there is interest. We try to offer reasonable activities at a reasonable price. We realize that not everyone will feel that the price is reasonable, but we need to make sure that the majority do.

To our knowledge, there has never been a "standard/suggested" budget for these trips. Going forward, does there need to be some troop policy made? We do not want to create a program that only some can afford. Yet, it does take money to be a participant in some really neat activities. We need to set up some guidelines. Discussion...

Service

- **Buddy Walk – Saturday October 2, 2010** - The event went as good as could be expected, although we had long periods with nothing to do. We started off the morning running a water station on the beach for the 5k run, but after that had a long down period. Going forward, when we do service projects for "5K type" events, it would probably be better to volunteer from 8am-9:00am OR 11:00am-1:00pm as there is not much to do in the middle hours Everyone at the Buddy Walk was very appreciative for our service. **Five Hours:** Hayden Reel, Tyler Smith, Timmy Kyle, Andrew Brown, Evan Holland, Joey Gannon, Michael Leisle (**Adults:** Lisa Reel and Leigh Leisle) **Two hours:** Chris West and Chalker Kingry (**Adults:** Sherrill Brown and Chris West Sr.)
- **PVUMC Ministries Fair – Sunday, October 24, 2010** – PVUMC asked T288 to be a part of their Ministries Fair to share with PVUMC who we are and what we do. Tom Murta was on site to set up the table along with several other T288 adults/scouts. Timmy Kyle made an impressive tri-fold board with pictures and info about our troop.
- **Veterans Ceremony - Thursday, November 11, 2010** - Veterans Ceremony at Ponte Vedra Valley Cemetery (On Palm Valley Road, East of Landrum lane.) - Ceremony Honoring Veterans - THURSDAY, NOV 11TH, 2010 from 10:30-11:00. Arrive between 9:30-9:45 as the guests will begin arriving at 10:00. We will be done by 11:30. We will be assisting guests to their seats (several will be elderly and need assistance), handing out programs and handing out water bottles. Wear Class A. Sudha will resend e-mail closer to the event.
- **Clean PVUMC – Saturday, November 13, 2010** - The new custodian, Ron Hovedstadt, will be taking the weekend of November 13 & 14 off. Typically PVUMC hires a cleaning service to prepare the church for Sunday services. The preparation entails vacuuming, sweeping, mopping and general straightening up the place. With enough hands, it shouldn't take the troop more than a couple hours, if it takes that long. We can accomplish two things here, a few service hours for the scouts and a thank you to the church for being our sponsor. Joye Christiansen will head up this effort. It was asked which scouts need service hours. Marohn will e-mail Gary with the scouts names.

Treasurer

- Greenery orders are due tonight, will be tallying orders over the next couple days, and have final order in by **Thursday, October 28th**.
- After this week, Debbie and I will be working on collecting recharter fees.
- October **Campout** is presently \$90 under budget. I don't have any gas receipts yet.
- Trailer was repaired for \$267.

Lisa Reel

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paid \$600 deposit for Ski Trip, collected \$1500 from 9 adults and 25 kids. 			
<p>Advancement Coordinator Troop Advancement Progress</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Camping • Personal Fitness • Personal Management <p>Boards of Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No BORs for Rank advancement were held in Oct <p>Life to Eagle (Tina Holland)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew Nickerson's EBOR is scheduled for Wed. Oct. 27, 7:00 PM at the YMCA. • Ed Kiley (sp) from North Florida Council is gathering a group of individuals to rewrite the Council Procedures for the Life to Eagle packet. I will be involved as well. • Jeff Chapa – informed Mr. Brown that he still has some outstanding items to complete and will contact him when he is ready • Chris Morrill – has asked Mr. Basye what requirements he needs to finish – has had initial contact with Jon • Zach Murta – working with Brad • Gavin Linn, Nicholas Leisle, Micah Coleman, Matt Moore – developing project ideas 	<p>Marohn Pacitti</p>		
<p>Chaplain – suggestions Update on chaplain support to Troop Religious emblems programs/participation</p>	<p>Tom Murta</p>		
<p>Membership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recharter forms have arrived. All registered scouts and adults will be contacted to make sure that they are rechartering for 2011. Fees are due in November and the Recharter is due in December. Scout fees are \$200 and Adult fees are \$15. All money is needed by November 22, 2010. Debbie will send out e-mails this week asking if people plan to recharter. Debbie will also look into adults that just joined BSA as to if they need to pay the fee again in 2011 since they just paid. 	<p>Debbie Selvagn</p>		
<p>Training coordinator – Training Entered into TroopMaster since the last Committee Meeting</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="134 1140 1360 1465"> <tr> <td data-bbox="134 1140 768 1465"> <p>A.J. Ruvane</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Protection – 09/27/10 <p>Todd Colelman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Protection – 09/29/10 <p>Leigh Leisle</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Protection – 09/29/10 • Safe Swim Defense – 10/04/10 <p>Michael Paul</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IOLS – 10/16/10 </td> <td data-bbox="768 1140 1360 1465"> <p>John D'Aquila</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IOLS – 10/16/10 <p>Steve Wise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IOLS – 10/16/10 <p>Bill Rieger</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IOLS – 10/16/10 <p>Skip Skipper</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IOLS – 10/16/10 </td> </tr> </table> <p>Pastor Jeff Bennett has completed Youth Protection training – 10/15/10 (not in TM) Steve Wise and Bill Rieger have completed all ASM training.</p> <p><u>Training Needed and/or Expired</u> Needs Youth Protection Sudha Bharathan, Stacey Gannon, Lyle Hall, Nancy Krupka, Brad Shannon, John Van Zyl</p> <p><u>Upcoming Training Opportunities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is Scouting – Sat., Nov. 13 at 8:00am at PVUMC • North Florida Council's University of Scouting – Jan. 29, 2011 at Orange Park High School • North Florida Council Wood Badge Course – 1st weekend Fri., Feb. 11, 2011 7:30 AM to Sunday Feb. 13, 2011 6:00 PM; 2nd weekend Fri., March 11, 2011 7:00 AM to Sun., March 13, 2011 5:00 • Osceola District – SMS May 14, 2011 time/location TBD 	<p>A.J. Ruvane</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Protection – 09/27/10 <p>Todd Colelman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Protection – 09/29/10 <p>Leigh Leisle</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Protection – 09/29/10 • Safe Swim Defense – 10/04/10 <p>Michael Paul</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IOLS – 10/16/10 	<p>John D'Aquila</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IOLS – 10/16/10 <p>Steve Wise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IOLS – 10/16/10 <p>Bill Rieger</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IOLS – 10/16/10 <p>Skip Skipper</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IOLS – 10/16/10 	<p>Sherrill Brown</p>
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<p>Old Business</p>	<p>Leigh Leisle</p>		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Van Research</u> – (Tina Holland) Summer Camp 2011 - Unless we can find vans at no charge or extremely minimal charge (\$100 to \$150 each for 10 days), van rental is completely cost prohibitive and does not offset 2 to 4 extra adults needing to go to summer just to be drivers. • <u>Jaguar Campout/Reduced Tickets</u> (Leigh Leisle) – Info was e-mailed to Troop last week. Will not be participating as a troop but scouts/families/friends may participate individually. <p>New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>New Adult Volunteer</u> – (Leigh Leisle) Sankar, Mahi’s father, is now a registered BSA member. Could any of our committees use any help from him? 	
<p>General Announcements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next Committee Meeting – Monday, November 29, 2010 	<p>Leigh Leisle</p>
<p>Adjournment – Reminder to Follow through, ask for help if needed</p>	<p>Leigh Leisle</p>