



Troop 002 Committee Meeting Notes March 20, 2011

Please forgive the abbreviated notes – computer issues prevented better note-taking!

Present: Mike Shambaugh, Dayna Contreras, John Head, Lynn Massey, Allen Massey, Steve Parker, Rob Tallis, Tina Shambaugh, Jason Cook, Craig Dimmett,

Scoutmaster's Update:

- Had 10 new scouts join at Crossover (9 from LP Pack 2, 1 from Pack 422) and have also added 2 new Life Scouts (Jerry and Ernie McQuade)
- 1st Scoutmaster Conference with 2 new scouts tomorrow night (for Scout Rank)
- All new scouts are set up and have been invited to join ScoutManage
- We'd like to include Troop 510 in an upcoming trip – now that the calendar is set out thorough the end of the year, we need to identify which trip we'd like to promote for this

Craig's Update

- Re-opened the discussion about how to allocate funds from various fundraising events; current system is extremely cumbersome to the person managing the event; After discussion, Committee voted unanimously (by all present) to alter system in the following way: Events that are products sold by individual scouts (popcorn, pine straw, poinsettias, hanging baskets, etc) will go fully to the scout account; Events that generate income from LP (newsletter, LP events that we support) will go fully to the troop. The Committee will have a further discussion to put a plan in place to ensure that all troop members participate in activities that fund the troop so that it's not just a few people. That will happen at a future meeting.
- Future Committee Meetings and PLC meetings will be at the Clubhouse and will start at 6 pm in order to handle the number of people now involved. Growth is good!

PLC Report:

- March 21 – Eagle Patrol (Service Patrol); Iguana (Flags)
- March 29 – Iguanas (SP), Racoons (Flags), Kevan/Ted (Field Sports activity)
- April 11 – Racoons (SP), Cobras (Flags), Kevan (Lashing activity)

Treasurer's Report:

- As always, please keep scout accounts funded. The troop is not in the position to be able to float scout accounts! Take advantage of fundraising opportunities if your scout account needs funding!

Camping/Outdoor Update:

- Upcoming trips
 - April – Spring Camporee – Wagon's Ho – John Head reports that each troop is to build and bring a Conestoga Wagon to the event – We are doing trailer camping for this event, not backpacking; Pioneering is the focus
 - April 30 – Pack 002 Family Campout
 - May – Coffee Can camping – One night only, in order to allow the boys to build a shelter in daylight rather than late at night
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Fundraising:

- Hanging Basket Fundraiser – Sales going on now. Forms and money due to Craig on Friday, April 15;
- Conversation continues on fireworks fundraiser; Dayna to research; **UPDATE POST MEETING: Dayna researched and the info was disseminated to the committee and a vote was held via email; at this time, the vote led the troop to NOT do the fireworks fundraiser with TNT, but will possibly revisit the option via another avenue in the future**
- Pinestraw sales going on now – delivery next weekend. Forms and money due to Jason tomorrow night.

Advancement Update:

- Next Court of Honor – April 25;
- 2 Scoutmaster conferences and 1 BOR tomorrow night;
- New Scouts need to bring books to Lynn regularly so their advancement info can stay up to date.

Training Info:

It continues to be CRITICAL that all leaders and Committee members get his/her training up to date. Go to www.myscouting.org and log-in (see Craig if you need your member number) and choose e-learning. Scroll to bottom of page and click on Boy Scout tab, then take courses. EVERYONE needs Youth Protection, This is Scouting and Fast Start. Once you've taken a course, email Craig with the date you completed it and print off your completion certificate to give to Craig. We

Steve Parker is our new Training Coordinator (Thank you, Steve!) and he'll be contacting various people as certifications expire.

Miscellaneous Events and Info:

- Mammal Study Merit Badge – 5/1 – Chattahoochee Nature Center - \$20/scout
- June 4 – Insect Merit Badge Clinic – Juan has secured Rollins to offer a Merit Badge clinic. More info to follow. Sign up on the website
- Steve Parker proposed that the Troop host a “Belt Loop Bonanza” for the district where Webelos can earn up to 5 Belt Loops in one day. The Committee voted to approve this. Here's the info:
 - Oct. 1 at Proctor Landing
 - 10 stations available – each scout chooses 5 to attend
 - Sell concessions (possibly see if the Pack wants to handle this part)
 - \$10/ Webelos scout to include 5 belt loops and a lunch box (hot dog, chips, drink)
 - Jeff Higgins will head this event up
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- Plan for Woodruff and Seabase now – get the medical forms in as soon as possible!