

Troop Committee Minutes

March 20, 2012

Members Present: Chairperson Dee Archer, Scoutmaster Jack Stevens, Steve Feist, Deacon Michael Thomas, Ann Bak, Marianne Gallivan, Bryan Gallivan, Shari Duff, Tricia Moore, Steve Lowe, Michelle Lowe, Eric Locher, Luke Palmer, and Mark Duff

Guests Present: Mr. John Rose, Former Scout Master for the Troop, and Life Scout Greg Bak

Call to order: Mrs. Archer at 7:06 pm

Opening Prayer: Opening prayer by Deacon Michael Thomas

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the February 28, 2012 Committee Meeting Minutes by Mr. Feist, second by Mrs. Moore. All Approved, Motion Carried.

Eagle Scout Presentation: Greg Bak made a presentation for Committee Review for his Eagle Project Proposal. Key Information:

- Fort Ancient Outdoor Information Signage Repairs (2 signs)
- Re-Set Posts
- Remove existing rock/pavers/fill material
- Replace existing rock/pavers/fill material with a larger footprint of river rock obtained on Fort Ancient Site (creek bed). Reminded that he must follow “Leave No Trace” – ie...only surface rocks may be used so that no future erosion will occur from removal of rocks in the Creek Bed.
- Anticipated work day – May 19 or May 20. Reminded that this is WOW weekend, which the PLC/Troop voted to participate.

Motion to approve the project as presented and discussed, Mr. Feist, seconded by Mr. Duff. Mrs. Bak abstained from vote. All others approved. Motion Carried.

Scoutmaster Report: Mr. Stevens reported on the following:

- The Troop is in need of new/more patrol boxes. Once more information can be obtained regarding designs, and supplies, then committee can review/approve expenditure. Discussion that there may be old National Jamboree patrol boxes, kits, etc. available as there is a sale at council on these items. If available and in good shape, may purchase those instead.
- Troop currently has 4 – 8 person patrols and one “Old Goats” patrol.
- Troop is in need of more tents. Midway USA has sale on 3-man tents for about \$30 each. They may not last long, but could be a quick stop-gap in needs of the troop. Motion to approve expenditure to purchase all available by Mrs. Gallivan. Seconded by Mr. Feist. All approved. Motion Carried.
- Would like the committee to approve expenditure of purchasing the three Merit Badge books for the new Merit Badges and another set of Eagle Required Merit Badge Books (we already have one set). Motion to approve expenditure by Mrs. Gallivan. Seconded by Mr. Duff. All Approved. Motion Carried.
- There was one discipline issue at Fish Fry, but was resolved that evening.
- Regarding the Ft. Benning, GA – High Adventure Trip. They have no official program, so pulling together information has been difficult. The trip would be 1262 miles round trip, requiring 2 nights in a hotel (one night up and back). Six of the boys

would be eligible to go (High Adventure minimum age requirement is 14 years old), and 4 adults would need to go. Including camp site fees, food, museums, etc, the trip should be about \$300 per person. Mr. Stevens hopes to make final contacts soon.

Secretary's Report: Mrs. Duff reported on the following:

- Mulch Sale will conclude soon. Final orders due March 27th. Scouts/families/vehicles will be needed for delivery on Saturday, April 14th at 9am.
- Newsletter ideas and items needed.
- Fish Fry Voting continues through March 30th.
- Suggested having the major cleaning of the kitchen and equipment this coming Friday from the Fish Fry – even though next week is the final week. Rationale: Final cleaning takes considerably longer - and the troop will be leaving early the following morning after the final Fish Fry to go to Mammoth Cave. Everyone agreed that the Big Clean would take place the 24th, with a normal cleaning on the 31st.
- Was asked to send out an email regarding the above cleaning, that we need only one two-liter this week, and that completed blue cards boys receive from Merit Badge Challenge need to be to Mr. Duff by April 6th.

Treasurer's Report:

- Mr. Feist indicated there is \$6,958.08 in the account, of which \$673 is allocated to various boys.
- There is a small amount of leftover popcorn.
- We've made approximately \$3000 on Fish Fry to date.

Outdoor Chair Report: Mrs. Moore reported on the following:

- Updated Emergency Medical forms and Caving Permission Slips will need to be turned in by the March 27th meeting.

Advancement Chair Report:

- Mr. Duff indicated that the Court of Honor is scheduled for April 10th in the STM Cafeteria. He must have any completed Blue Cards no later than April 6th for presentation at this Court of Honor.
- Mr. Duff has the tours set for the Mammoth Cave Trip. One of the tours will limit adult participation to two with the boys. This is due to limited space being available.

Training Chair Report: Mr. Stegmann was unavailable for this meeting.

Chaplain Report: Deacon Thomas reported on the following:

- Thank you to all the parents for helping with the Merit Badge Challenge to fulfill the Youth Protection Requirements
- Reminder that the Boy Scouts have been asked to “man” the Easter Vigil Fire Bowl.

Equipment Chair Report: Mrs. Gallivan reported on the following:

- Would like to set a date for Mr. Duff, the Quartermaster, and a few others to do the inventory of the trailer.
- Presented a picture of “before and after” views of the cast iron that was recently re-seasoned. Mr. Gallivan will help with the on-going proper care of cast iron.
- Additional equipment with the influx of young men into the troop may be needed, especially for the patrol boxes.

Old/New Business:

- Troop needs to know in what capacity they will be needed at July Fest. Mrs. Archer will email the July Fest Committee and let us know.

Next Troop Committee Meeting:

- Tuesday, April 17 at 7pm at More Martyr Hall (Troop Hall).

Motion to adjourn at 8:47 pm by Mr. Gallivan.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shari Duff,

Troop Committee Secretary