

## **Troop Committee Minutes July 16, 2013**

**Members Present:** Chair Dee Archer, Deacon Michael Thomas, Joel Barnhill, Christy Hale, Theresa Westendorf, Michelle Lowe, Steve Feist, Shari Duff, Tana Hartness, Marianne Gallivan, John Rose, Steve Lowe. Also in attendance: Eric Locher and Bryan Gallivan.

**Guests Present:** None Present.

**Opening Prayer:** Deacon Thomas gave the opening prayer.

**Welcome and Call to order:** Mrs. Dee Archer at 7:03 pm.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve the June 18, 2013 Committee Meeting Minutes by Mr. Joel Barnhill, seconded by Mrs. Theresa Westendorf. All Approved, Motion Carried.

**Chaplain Report:** Deacon Michael Thomas reported on the following:

- The July Fest Committee has authorized a payment to the troop of \$500 for last year's July Fest Clean-up and another \$500 for this year's July Fest Clean-up.
- This July Fest was very busy and the scouts did an excellent job of staying on top of the trash throughout the entire weekend.

**Scoutmaster Report:** Mr. Duff was unavailable for the meeting but reported the following:

- Troop Progress
  - Summer Camp went very well despite being very wet and rainy the whole week. We took 26 scouts and 4 adults. The scouts earned 88 merit badges and scores of partial merit badges. Mr. Locher and Mr. Duff earned "Scoutmaster Merit Badge". A special thank you to Mr. Joel Barnhill and Mr. Pat Willison for spending 3-4 days each at camp to help Mr. Locher and Mr. Duff with the scouts.
  - July Fest – Thank you to everyone who helped. We definitely need access to more trash bags next year. We went through three cases. Scouts and parents did an awesome job keeping up with the amount of trash that was generated during the event.
  - New elections have taken place within the troop. Matthew Miller is the new SPL, Rob Duff is the new ASPL, and Kadin Locher is the new Quartermaster. The troop is voting on PL's, patrol QM's, and other positions this evening.
  - July 27-28, 2013 – 10 mile Bike Trip along the Loveland Bike Trail. Overnight at the Loveland Canoe Rental Property. \$5.00 per scout. Look for an email regarding specifics.
  - Call of Duty – October 3-5, 2013 – Miami Valley Council – similar event to our Peterloon. Commitments and money needed ASAP for registration - \$25.00.
  - August 16-18, 2013 – Red River Gorge Campout. Look for an email with specific details soon.
  - Early September – we are looking to try and re-schedule the shooting campout – providing ammunition is available. This may be a one day event at Friedlander.
  - September 21, 2013 – Committee voted to provide 25-30 Scouts/Parents for trash pick up at the finish line of the Hudey Run. In exchange, the troop will derive a donation of \$600. Times needed: 9:30am-2:00pm.
  - Mr. Duff and Mr. Locher have been looking at government vehicle liquidations through an auction site specifically for that – there are some 12 passenger vans that only have 50,000 miles on them going for as little as \$2,500.00. This might be something to consider as the troop grows, so that we do not need to scramble so badly for transportation for the scouts.
  - Currently Mr. Duff is attending National Jamboree with 5 scouts.

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

- The newsletter was emailed last week.
- Need items for Newsletter
- Mr. Duff and Mr. Locher were presented with their Woodbadge "beads" at Summer Camp.

**Treasurer's Report:** Mr. Feist reported on the following:

- Checking Balance – as of June 30, 2013 - \$10,420.32
- Boys Account Balance – \$3,539.23

- Troop Balance -\$5,064.09
- Equipment “Restricted” Donations - \$1,426.00
- Campership - \$391.00
- Buy It In Clermont Books – there are approximately 6 books outstanding – if books from 1<sup>st</sup> group - \$12/book is credited to scout’s account. If books are from the 2<sup>nd</sup> group - \$8/book is credited to the scout’s account. Money needs to be turned in ASAP.

**Medical Records/Fundraising Opportunities Chair Report:** Mrs. Hartness reported on the following:

- She will be setting up some additional fundraising opportunities.

**Advancement Chair Report:** Mrs. Moore was unable to attend the meeting but submitted the following:

- There has been 1 advancement since the last meeting:
  - 1 for Star Rank
- Reminded everyone that scouts need to call, email, or ask Mrs. Moore for a BOR after they have obtained their Scoutmaster Conference.

**Training Chair Report:** Mr. Locher reported on the following:

- Needs everyone’s login (not password) for the My Scouting site to get copies of certificates showing appropriate training.
- Suggested quite a few opportunities for training.
- Reminded that August 15-16, 2013 is the OA Ordeal for those still needing to complete that.

**Equipment Chair Report:** Mrs. Gallivan/Mrs. Hale reported on the following:

- The Fish Fry needs list, First Aid needs list, and a Patrol Box needs list will be uploaded onto the Scoutlander website and can be adjusted as items are provided.
- Has a work day scheduled for July 25<sup>th</sup> at 9am to fill/replace large propane tanks. Inventory and labeling will occur on this date as well.

**Action Items and Old/New Business:**

- Mrs. Theresa Westendorf has volunteered to be the popcorn kernel for our troop as long as we do not offer show-n-sells. There will only be one order and not an “early bird” order. Larger orders by the scouts will qualify for charter fee being paid. Cut off for money and orders will be indicated in a meeting with the scouts and via email.
- July 27, 2013 – Popcorn University at council.
- Fish Fry – Towels and aprons are clean and in the shed.
- Mr. Rose donated material for sheets for scouts needing them for camping.
- Mr. Rose indicated the shipping costs for the cots were higher than originally quoted and anticipated. Mr. Rose is donating the cost of shipping (\$214.50), rather than asking the scouts for more money. Mrs. Duff will get him a letter for this donation.
- Mr. Rose offered providing pictures with Santa mid-November as a possible fundraiser and activity for our Troop. It could be offered at More Martyr Hall if the space is available. Mr. Rose will check availability in his schedule for Saturdays during November.
- Mr. Rose indicated that there might be a grant opportunity for the troop via the Ohio Department of Marine Corps League. He will be getting more information soon.

**Next Troop Committee Meeting:**

- Tuesday, August 20, 2013 at 7pm at More Martyr Hall (Troop Hall).

Motion to adjourn at 8:13 pm by Mrs. Christy Hale.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

Shari Duff,  
Troop Committee Secretary