

Troop Committee Minutes
March 18, 2014

Members Present: Chair Dee Archer, Steve Feist, Theresa Westendorf, Angie Payer, Tricia Moore, Jenny Elig, Deacon Michael Thomas, Joel Barnhill, Karmella Everhart, Jennifer Mann, Rebecca Rapp, Michelle Lowe, Tanya Hartness, Shari Duff, Kevin Palmer, Marianne Gallivan, Shawn Hartness, and Mark Duff.

Guests Present: None.

Opening Prayer: Mrs. Dee Archer gave the opening prayer.

Welcome and Call to order: Mrs. Dee Archer at 7:02 pm.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the February 18, 2014 Committee Meeting Minutes by Mrs. Theresa Westendorf, seconded by Mrs. Michelle Lowe. All Approved, Motion Carried.

Chaplain Report: Deacon Michael Thomas reported the following:

- Those needing to complete their background check for the Catholic Church, please see Shari for your VIRTUS token.
- Asked if we were going to have an April 15, 2014 Committee Meeting. It was decided that we would have a meeting due to everything that is upcoming.
- Asked if we were prepared to man the Easter Vigil Fire – start approx. 8:15pm on April 19th. Mr. Duff will coordinate.
- Girl Scouts asked if they could sell cookies at the Fish Fry. Based on the attendance at the last few fish fries, we are concerned that there really isn't any room for them to set up. Suggested that they sell after mass.
- Troop was invited – along with cub scouts – to help with setting up the Cemetery of Innocents. It was determined that this should be a non-troop event. If a scout comes with a parent, that is fine. It is not a scouting function and is dangerously close to the main roadway.

Scoutmaster Report: Mr. Duff reported the following:

- Troop Progress – Currently welcoming the addition of the newly crossed over Webelos.
- Will be suggesting that the scouts add another ASPL to help manage the scouts, due to the size of the troop.
- Disciplinary problems – Leaning very hard on Patrol Leaders to manage and keep their patrols under control.
- Other Troop Needs – ALPS tents have a Boy Scout direct program. Tents can be purchased for \$214. For \$246, we can get both the tents and the floor saver.
- Updates on:
 - Scout Ski - Mrs. Bak is finishing up the book work portion of the MB tonight in the basement of the Scout Hall.
 - OA Spring Fling – did not participate – fell during MB Challenge.
 - Merit Badge Challenge – Our troop did the closing flag ceremony. New scouts performed the ceremony as they needed to for a rank advancement requirement.
 - Summer Camp – The Scoutmasters and Mrs. Moore will be going to the 12 days out meeting. There are 34 scouts currently signed up. There was an omission on the camp age requirement on some of the activities. Anything in Frontier – scouts must be 13 or older.
 - As scouts turn in MB and activity forms for Summer Camp, their sheet is numbered. When registration for the events and activities open, the scouts will be entered into the system based on what order they turned in their form.
 - Blue Springs Cavern – We will leave early afternoon on Saturday, April 5, stop for dinner along the way, stay in the cave, and visit the gift shop prior to the return on April 6th.
 - District Camporee – Grassy Run – end of April. Six scouts and two adults will be ‘called out’ for the OA.
 - Summer Camp – suggests that we have up to 6 adults for Summer Camp. Mrs. Gallivan indicated she could come up for a partial week. There are a couple of other adults who can do the same. Four adults are required based on the number of scouts we have going. Motion for approval of up to \$300 to pay for two additional adults for a full week at summer camp by Dee. Seconded by Steve Feist. All approved, motion carried.

Cubmaster Report: Mr. Dick Bader was unavailable for the meeting.

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

- Looking for next topics for the newsletter to keep it "fresh".

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Feist submitted a report with the following:

- As of 2/28/2014 –
 - Checking Account - \$12,736.68
 - Troop - \$7,801.90
 - Boys Account – \$1,205.78
 - Campership - \$1,553.00
 - Equipment - \$2,176.00
 - Blue Springs Expense - \$440.00
 - Advance payment for 41 Buy It In Clermont Books
- 4 currently working on Religious Emblems

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

- Make sure your Medical forms are up to date and on-file for Campouts. She will be contacting you via email if your son's Medical form is out of date.
- Fundraiser for Dickie's BBQ on May 12th. This will be a flyer fundraiser (will need flyer for the organization to get credit for sales.)
- YOLO will also do a fundraiser. A new store will be going in the old Kroger location at Bach-Buxton Rd.
- Asked if there was any interest in a Skallywag Tag fundraiser – YES!
- Waiting for the check from our fundraiser at Everything Bagels.

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

- The following scouts have completed a BOR and advanced:
 - Tenderfoot – Jack Hall, Sammy Bader
 - Scout – Jack Everhart, Nathan Hartness, Logan Eads, Sam Schoolfield, and Will Duff
 - Eagle Palm – Benjamin Gallivan
- Chris Bak presented his Eagle Project for consideration:
 - Making fleece tie blankets for children in ICU at Children's Hospital Medical Center.
 - Making 25 double sided.
 - Cost per blanket – approximately \$30 each
 - Looking for donations of bolts of fabric, fabric scissors, time from scouts/parents to cut fabric and tie knots.
 - Suggested washing blankets in Dreft prior to delivery.
 - Committee approved the project.

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

- Deferred to Deacon Michael regarding the VIRTUS training.
- Encouraged parents to do their online training and any additional training via Dan Beard site.

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

- Mr. Gallivan made a cleaning bin for the Fish Fry cleaning supplies. The other containers burst in the cold, so new containers needed to be obtained and mixed.
- Fish Fry
 - Expenses - \$3,147.03
 - Income - \$5058.25
 - Approximate Net Income - \$1,900.00
 - Number of Meals ordered/served – week one – 275, total entrees 286
 - Number of Meals ordered/served – week two – 378, total entrees 407

Action Items and Old/New Business:

- None

General Announcements:

- Council Updates –
 - April 5, 2014 – Camp Conservation Day
 - April 11-12, 2014 – Scout night at the Cincinnati Cyclones
 - April 25-27, 2014 – Grassy Run
 - April 15, 2014 – Committee Meeting
- Community Events – none known at this time.

Next Troop Committee Meeting:

- Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 7pm at More Martyr Hall (Troop Hall).

Motion to adjourn at 8:08 pm by Mrs. Theresa Westendorf.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shari Duff,

Troop Committee Secretary