

Troop Committee Minutes
November 15, 2016

Members Present: Teresa Westendorf, Teri Mochabee, Michelle Lowe, Shari Duff, Cindy Abrams, and Mark Duff.

Guests Present: None.

Opening Prayer: Mrs. Teri Mochabee gave the opening prayer.

Welcome and Call to order: Secretary Shari Duff called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the October 18, 2016 Regular Committee Meeting Minutes by Mrs. Teresa Westendorf, seconded by Mrs. Teri Mochabee. All Approved, Motion Carried.

Chaplain Report: Deacon Michael Thomas submitted the following:

- A list of adults on the Troop charter was submitted to Mike Gennett for VIRTUS compliance
- SVDP house – Jacob Treinen completed the painting of the house in exchange for his 8 hours of Community Service for a merit badge.
- Protestant Religious Emblems – Still in process.

Scoutmaster Report/Outdoor Coordinator Report: Mr. Duff reported on the following:

- Troop Progress –
 - We have been visited by Cub Scouts and Adults from other Packs in the area. We have a group visiting tonight and another group in the coming weeks. Pack 196 is visiting tonight and Pack 742 will visit next week. Pack 452 has been in attendance recently.
 - Class B Zippered Hooded Jacket orders are due tonight. \$35 each – includes Last name on the sleeve..
- Actions of Patrol Leaders Council –
 - No Meeting in October as the Court of Honor was the same night.
 - Planned Calendar for 2017
 - January – Winter Bushwhack – Hocking Hills – staying at Chief Logan Scout Reservation
 - February – Skiing and 2 MB Challenge Weekends
 - March – Introduction Campout for Cross overs
 - April – Archery Campout at Camp Friedlander or Cub World
 - May – Mammoth Cave/Abe Lincoln Birth home/Cavalry Surplus Store
 - June – Ft. Ancient/Zip-lining Campout
 - July – Summer Camp at Camp Friedlander and National Jamboree
 - August – Shooting Campout
 - September – Fly Fishing/Fishing Campout
 - October – Fall Camporee (TBD)
 - November – Turkey Bowl
 - December – Game Night
- Disciplinary problems and attendance – n/a
- Troop Needs –
 - Position Elections will be held during the Game Night Campout/Overnight on December 10th.
 - Last meeting for the year will be Tuesday, December 13, 2016. No meetings on December 20 or 27th.
 - First meeting of 2017 is January 3, 2017. OA Elections will occur during that first meeting.
- Updates on past events - Mark Duff reported on the following:
 - October 22 – Nathan Hartness' Eagle Project – Mt. Moriah Cemetery – went well and was well attended
 - October 22 – Mining in Society and Geology – Indianapolis – no attendees from the troop
 - October 25 – Fall Court of Honor/Wood Badge Presentations – 2 adults going next year.
 - November 5 – Handyman Challenge – American Modern Insurance – 21 enrolled of which 16 were from Troop 452.
 - November 5 & 6 – Railroading Merit Badge – Springfield, OH – 3 scouts from Troop 452 attended
 - November 11-13 – Annual Turkey Bowl – Camp Friedlander – 104 RSVP'd. Group consensus was to book the same site again next year.
- Upcoming Activities (group report):
 - November 14 Registration opens (today) for Merit Badge Challenge
 - November 20 – Revised Date for Cameron Lowe Eagle Court of Honor
 - December 10 – Card Night Campout – More Martyr Hall
 - December 27-31 – Winter Camp at Camp Roy C. Manchester in Benton, KY. Same 7 scouts from last year are going this year. Mrs. Hartness and Mrs. Westendorf are helping transport scouts and gear with Mr. Duff. Cost of Winter camp is \$175 (\$155 – if paid by next week).
 - January Bushwhack Hike – 12 mile hike at Hocking Hills. We will be staying at Chief Logan Reservation in the Mason Lodge on January 21-22, 2017.
 - Spring Court of Honor is April 25, 2017

Venture Crew: Mrs. Michelle Lowe/Mr. Mark Duff gave the following report: (Venturing meets the first Monday of the month at 7pm)

- Past Events:
 - October campout was Peterloon – group had a great time.
- Information for Upcoming events:
 - October outing is to attend the Escape Room. This will be a recruiting event as well.
 - December Event will be a recruitment event and Game Night on December 17-18, 2016.
 - January 28-29, 2017 – Wilderness First Aid Course - \$85 for the certification. Open to the Troop as well. Open to scouts aged 14 and up.

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Michelle Lowe submitted the following report:

- Completion of the transfer of troop funds from 5/3 Bank has occurred to PNC Bank.
- Money earned through projects/fundraising
 - Recharter fees are due tonight, will be due to Council by December 1
 - \$60 per Scout w/commitment to work two fundraisers
 - \$120 per Scout w/o fundraiser participation
 - Sign up for fundraisers will be online per Mrs. Lowe
 - Please remit fees to Mrs. Lowe this evening
- As of October 31, 2016
 - Two outstanding checks – for \$420.00
 - Troop General Fund \$15,272.55
 - Gas Fund - \$369
 - Bill Fehn Campership Fund \$1,143.72
 - Troop Equipment Fund \$665.84
 - Troop Leadership Training Fund \$480.00
 - Troop Trailer Fund \$399.38
 - Scout Accounts \$4,469.85
 - 4 Scouts with Negative Balance (\$119.74)
 - Outstanding Checks \$0.00
 - Interest Earned - \$unk – PNC and 5/3 bank statements in transit
 - Total Balance - \$18,330.49
- Financial Reports – motion to approve by Ms. Cindy Abrams Seconded by Mrs. Teresa Westendorf. All approved. Motion Carried.

Secretary/Newsletter Report: Mrs. Duff reported on the following:

- Newsletter was released. Working on next one. Please submit items for the Newsletter.
 - Suggestions:
 - Getting to Know Corner
 - Q&A with reward for submission of correct answer
 - Highlight On: Merit Badges – such as Scouting Heritage MB

Webmasters – Mrs. Lowe/Mrs. Duff reported on the following:

- Please continue to RSVP on-line for tracking purposes.

Medical Records/Fundraising Opportunities Chair Report: The following was submitted:

- Keep checking the status for Emergency Medical Form Expiration dates.
- No other items available for the report.

Popcorn Kernel Report: The following was reported by Mrs. Teresa Westendorf:

- Final Report
 - Total sold - \$3,665.00
 - Due to Council - \$2,492.20
 - Commission Earned by Scouts - \$1,172.80
 - Donation Received - \$10.00
 - Because we did not sell more than last year, we did not earn the additional 3% commission.

Advancement Chair Report: Mrs. Melissa Schlueter reported on the following:

- Recent Advancements –
 - Quite a few have completed Rank Advancement recently.
 - Alex Forney
 - Nick Rahn
 - Myles Locher
- Upcoming Boards of Review – Unknown at this time
- November 19, 2016 4-9pm – Jacob Treinen's Eagle Scout Project – see Jacob to sign up.

Training Chair Report: The following was submitted:

- Deferred to the prepared report from Mrs. Archer on the Agenda
 - District/Council training opportunities on-line at www.Danbeard.org.
 - Scouting University is set for December 3, 2016.
 - VIRTUS classes:
 - Thursday, December 15, 2016 – 6:30pm @ St. Veronica
 - Monday, January 16, 2017 – 6:30pm @STM

Webelos to Scout Coordinator - (works with Membership Coordinator) – Mr. Dick Bader –

- Visits from different Packs (464, 196, and 452) will occur to satisfy the Webelos requirement to visit a Troop, will occur over the next few weeks.

Religious Emblems Coordinators – Mr. Feist and Mr. Mochabee (Catholic)

- Catholic Religious Emblems –
 - Currently Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII are being conducted.
- Protestant Religious Emblems – See report from Deacon Michael Thomas.

Equipment Chair Report/Fish Fry Committee: Mrs. Gallivan reported the following:

- On the cleaning/organizing day – will work with the Quartermaster to re-organize equipment, take inventory, and see what may need to be replaced.
- Will need to set up a “practice” meeting in the early spring for Fish Fry
- Start asking now for donations for Fish Fry.

Cubmaster: See prepared report from Mrs. Dee Archer from the agenda:

- Pack Progress:
 - Positions needed: Asst Cubmaster, Treasurer, Events Coordinator.
 - Den Chief needed for at least two of our Cub Scout Dens
 - Upcoming Pack/District Events:
 - December 3 – Christmas Service Project (Matthew 25 Ministries or Yellow Ribbon Support Center)
 - January 13 – Pinewood Derby – STM Gymnasium
 - Assistance from Boy Scouts will be needed for games/activities

Action Items and Old/New Business:

- Status of shelving in Troop Trailer – measurements and discussion underway. Will occur on the Work Day in December.
- Cleaning of More Martyr Hall – work day in December.
- Soles4Souls – will be done during Scout Sunday – February 5, 2017. Collection of shoes during Scout Sunday during church services. We have asked permission for this to be included in the bulletin for the church. Asking different groups – Venture, Cubs, and Troop to be available at the different masses for collection. The Pack will decorate tubs for this event.

General Announcements:

- Please note that email addresses have now changed for school personnel. Mrs. Archer’s is now darcher@sttmschool.org Parish office emails have remained the same.
- Community Event Updates –
 - November 25 - Thanksgiving
- Council/District Updates/Events –
 - November 17 – OA Chapter Meeting
 - November 24-26 SAC closed
 - November 24-December 4 – All camps closed
 - November 29 - #Giving Tuesday – please consider a gift to scouting.
 - December 3 – Scouting U – Princeton HS
 - December 7 – Friends of Scouting Kickoff
 - December 10 – Scouting U – UC Clermont College
 - December 10 – Camp STEM Event – Camp Friedlander
 - December 10 – Wilderness Engineers Workday – Camp Friedlander
- Other Information –
- Next Troop Committee Meeting:
 - Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at 6:30pm at STM Cafeteria/Parish Dining Room.
 - Those in attendance mentioned that West Clermont, Batavia, Bethel, and New Richmond Local Schools will be out of school at the above mentioned time. Many families will start their Holiday travels during that week and will be unavailable for the Committee Meeting. We will check with Mrs. Dee Archer and Mr. Michael Thomas about rescheduling to December 13, 2016 instead.

- Mrs. Archer wishes all of the Scouts and Parents a blessed Thanksgiving!

Motion to adjourn at 7:40 pm by Mrs. Teresa Westendorf.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shari Duff,
Troop Committee Secretary