

Troop Committee Minutes
January 21, 2014

Members Present: Chair Dee Archer, Russ Bowman, Christy Hale, Theresa Westendorf, Tricia Moore, Dick Bader, Deacon Michael Thomas, Steve Feist, Joel Barnhill, Steve Lowe, Michelle Lowe, Tanya Hartness, Shari Duff Marianne Gallivan, Shawn Hartness, Bryan Gallivan, Eric Locher, and Mark Duff.

Guests Present: None.

Opening Prayer: Deacon Michael Thomas gave the opening prayer.

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

Presentation of Marine Corps. League Certificate to Rob Duff – Mr. John Rose was unavailable for the meeting and presentation.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the December 17, 2013 Committee Meeting Minutes by Mr. Steve Feist, seconded by Mr. Joel Barnhill. All Approved, Motion Carried.

Chaplain Report: Deacon Michael Thomas reported the following:

- Scout Sunday will be celebrated at the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, February 16, 2014 – all scouts are welcome and encouraged to attend this service in full scout uniform and their religious neckerchief.
- It was suggested that when Mr. Duff speaks to the congregation – that either he or Deacon Michael will mention the 50th anniversary of the Troop.
- Additionally, from Mr. Steve Feist, 4 scouts completed their Board of Review for the Pope Pius XII emblem and attended the ceremony at the Cathedral downtown, this past weekend. One Scout has started working on the requirements for the Ad Altare Dei Religious emblem.
- A new Business Manager is in the process of being trained to replace the retiring Mike Gennett.
- Mr. Gennett will still be working, on a part-time basis, as the Safety Manager.
- The new background check will be implemented prior to the June 2014 deadline. Look for more information on that soon.

Scoutmaster Report: Mr. Duff reported the following:

- Troop Progress – New Youth Leaders were elected last week. The SPL and ASPL were given lesson plan templates and duty roster documents so that there is no question regarding what is to take place during the meeting/campouts.
- With the growth of the troop, Mr. Duff is recommending the consideration of adding another Assistant Scoutmaster to the roster. He is asking for consideration of Mr. Fred Schoolfield, who has a Webelos crossing over in a few weeks, is a former Scoutmaster for the Troop, and is already trained via the Church and BSA. Mrs. Archer will review.
- Mr. Ryan Payer has submitted the appropriate paperwork and is awaiting final confirmation and will offer First Aid MB, CPR Training for scouts and parents, and will offer a full First Aid refresher for all the scouts prior to attending Summer Camp.
- February 4, 2014 is the Blue and Gold Webelos II Cross over from Pack 452 at the STM Cafeteria. Scouts need to wear their full Class A uniform to welcome these new scouts to the Troop. Some scouts will be staying at the event if they are Den Chiefs.
- Actions of the PLC –
 - PLC meeting will be January 28, 2014 at 6pm. The committee asked who was required to attend those meetings:
 - Senior Patrol Leader – Symon Gallivan
 - Assistant Senior Patrol Leader – Brady Barnhill
 - Quartermaster – Edmund Hale
 - Scribe – Rob Duff
 - Patrol Leaders (if they cannot attend, then the Assistant Patrol Leader attends)
 - Scoutmaster
 - Assistant Scoutmasters
 - Junior Assistant Scoutmasters (age 16-up, appointed position)
- Updates on:

- January Bushwhack Hike – Shawnee State Park. Scouts and adults completed a 7.2 mile moderately difficult hike during the Campout. There were a couple of scouts who will need new camping “equipment”, as there were some boots/socks that were too close to the fire in the cabin. A good time seemed to be had by all.
- February and March – MB Challenge at Bethel High School. Scouts need to work on Pre-Requisites.
- March – no campout scheduled – will be a one day Leadership Training for scouts.
- Mrs. Gallivan and Mrs Locher will be working on Dentistry MB with the troop during the coming weeks. The PLC will schedule time for them to work on that.
- February 23, 2014 is one of the Skiing Days at Perfect North Slopes. Mr. and Mrs. Bak will join us again, but will not be offering the Merit Badge. Mr. Duff indicated that he might become a counselor for the MB, should it be needed.
- April 5, 2014 is the Cave Camping Campout at Blue Springs Caverns. Currently, there are more scouts signed up than can be driven to the site. Final arrangements may require the rental of a van to get the scouts to Indiana for the campout.
- April 25-27, 2014 – Grassy Run Campout in Williamsburg, OH. Scouts will get more information on this campout closer to the date.

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

- Newsletter published the previous week. Looking for next topics to keep it “fresh”.
- Meeting set for January 28, 2014 to allow existing parents the opportunity to sign up for Fish Fry jobs. Scouts will be encouraged to let the SPL know what they like to do with Fish Fry as well. SPL assigns scouts jobs during the Fish Fry. Meeting for new parents will be on February 11, 2014 to explain about Boy Scouts and the upcoming Fish Fry.

Treasurer’s Report: Mr. Feist reported on the following:

- As of 12/31/2013 –
 - \$12,405.23 – Full Balance
 - \$2,104.96 – Scout Accounts
 - \$1,553.00 – Campership
 - \$2,176.00 – Equipment
 - \$6,571.27 – Unencumbered for the Troop
- Working with a new class of Ad Altare Dei Students – 5 total.
- Took 4 Scouts to the Cathedral for Pope Pius XII
- Circulated a Scout Account Balance list for parents to see what is currently in their son’s account.

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.
- She will get dates out for Restaurant fundraisers shortly. She is waiting for different places to contact her with available options.

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

- Rob Duff completed his Eagle Scout Board of Review on 12/19/13.
- No other scouts have contacted her for a BOR.

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

- MB Challenge is February 15, March 1, and March 15, 2014 at Bethel HS. Snow date: March 22, 2014.
- NYLT will be the last 3 weeks in June 2014 and 1st week of July 2014. Scouts must be 13 years of age and First Class Rank or higher to attend.
- Check the Dan Beard Website for upcoming training opportunities.

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

- Will need to make/refurbish 2 new patrol boxes. Mrs. Gallivan indicated that the “Old Goats” would get one of the old patrol boxes in the interim, so the scouts will have access to the patrol boxes.

- Mr. Gallivan and Mr. Locher will make a prototype patrol box to see if it meets the needs of the troop. They were authorized up to a “reasonable” amount for the supplies.
- Scout Training for fish fry will be set through the PLC.
- Kurtis Moore is putting together a separate Patrol Box for his brother who is an incoming Boy Scout from the Pack. His brother has Celiac Disease and cannot have cross contamination of supplies. Kurtis will also discuss with the troop when his brother comes over.
- January 28th – current parent Fish Fry Job sign-up
- February 11th – New parent meeting and Fish Fry Job Sign-up

Action Items and Old/New Business:

- None

General Announcements:

- Council Updates –
 - Jan. 30 – 6:30pm Life to Eagle Seminar – Scout Achievement Center
 - Feb. 1 – 9am-4pm Fly Fishing Merit Badge – Oasis Conference Center, Loveland
 - Mr. Duff also checking on another opportunity for Fly Fishing and Regular Fishing Merit Badge
 - Would be held at Coney Island
 - Working with MB Counselor on availability
 - Feb. 1 – 2-4pm Eagle Scout Court of Honor – Scottish Rite Masonic Lodge
 - Calvin VerPlank
 - Benjamin Gallivan
 - Robert Duff
 - Feb. 22 – 5:00pm Wood Badge Reunion Dinner – Friedlander Dinning Hall
- Information from the Chartered Organization –
 - Catholic School Open House, this Sunday from 1-3:30pm. Asked if Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts could be present. May not be possible with short notice.
- Community Events –
 - Mrs. Gallivan shared the information from Mr. John Rose regarding the 4 Chaplains event and flag raising event in Northern Kentucky coming up shortly.
 - February 9th - 4 Chaplains Event
 - February 23rd – PFC – Mt. Sterling Rd.
- Birthdays in the last week (or tonight) – Mrs. Tricia Moore, Mr. Steve Lowe, Mrs. Regina Bowman, Mrs. Shari Duff, Cameron Lowe, Isaiah Hartness, Nathan Hartness, Rob Duff, Will Duff (and others that we may not know about.) Happy Birthday to all.

Next Troop Committee Meeting:

- Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 7pm at More Martyr Hall (Troop Hall).

Motion to adjourn at 8:04 pm by Mrs. Marianne Gallivan.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shari Duff,
Troop Committee Secretary