

Troop 626 Committee Meeting

May 14, 2007

7:00 Call To Order – Evenson

7:00 Fundraiser Chair's Report – Haugland

- 2007 Fundraising Summary
 - Linder's Weekend May 18 to 21; the troop receives 15% of all sales where the customer requests to "Support Troop 626"
 - Approximately \$6,800 of gift cards are out; collected about half the money
 - Scouts for hire: good response from the Sunday adds; minimal response from the scouts
 - Scout for hire add is being pulled: currently more work than the boys
 - Discussed creating groups of scouts by geographical boundaries, other methods of running the program

7:05 PLC – David

- Events Calendar/Leader's Planner
- Ripley Rendezvous – Steven O. is one of the SPL's
- Shooting Sports – Jack P. is one of the SPL's
- Superior Trail Backpacking – PLC voted to do this trip – but deferred until fall (MEA)
- Leaders Training – being conducted next Monday
- New Business
- Tomahawk Plans – 3rd year scouts want to cook 1 or two nights; not sure about 1st or 2nd year scouts
- Fun Night – discussed having an overnight at the community center; ultimate Frisbee or dodgeball; Also talked about having a Fun Night coordinator

7:10 Treasurer's Report – Rafter

- Bell Museum recap - \$13.79 loss
- White Water Rafting recap – Not all receipts in, probably about a \$15 profit

7:15 Camping Coordinator's Report – Glander

- Campouts review
 - Bell Museum 4/20/07 –
 - 22 scouts/ 7 adults
 - break even
 - positive evaluations
 - Whitewater Rafting 5/5/07 –
 - Recommended doing it again
 - Do as a troop, not with the council
 - Possibly stay at Jay Cooke State Park next time
 - Positive evaluations
 - Ripley Rendezvous 6/1/07
 - 37 Scouts / 13 Adults
 - 1 scout on waitlist
 - 15,000 scouts at the event
 - Shooting Sports 6/22/07

- 8 scouts going for shotgun merit badge; 3 scouts going for Rifle merit badge; 1 scout going as recreation shooter
- Nice group size
- Could use 2 additional adults for Saturday
- Superior Trail? – **MEA weekend?**
- Adult Participation Policy
 - There was general agreement of the need for the policy but that the policy shouldn't discourage parental participation; however, the troop leadership's primary responsibility is to meet the youth protection and safety requirements of both the Charter Partner and the BSA, and needs to control campouts to this end.
 - Tabled until potential revisions are researched (Tom C will provide optional wording to the draft and forward to Larry E)

7:30 Troop Chaplain/Tomahawk Coordinator's Report – Haffely

- “*A Scout Is Reverent*” – Troop Chaplain's plan update
 - Several planned initiatives have been adopted: Scout Oath after the Pledge of Allegiance; Prayer Cards; Service; Leave No Trace (strong desire for this to be scout led)
- Tomahawk Update
 - Final payment due June 4
 - Email to scouts requesting tent partner preferences
 - Email to older scouts requesting Merit Badges to be worked on (1st years is predetermined)
 - About ½ of the attendees have completed Bear Training
 - 9 scouts are attending the T2 program (High Adventure) and will be out of the camp most of the time
 - Tomahawk manual and Chippewa Supplement will be sent to adult leaders soon
 - Leader meeting: 6/4/2007 at 6:30

7:45 Unit Commissioner's Report – Hudson

- Openings still remain for the Fall Woodbadge course
- Mentioned Gray Wolf Leadership training for the scouts

7:50 Advancements Chair – Thiele

- Nothing to report.

7:55 BOR Chair Report – Keyport

- Matt T has his Eagle BOR on Wednesday

8:00 Scoutmaster's Report – Byron (Peirson)

- Talked with PLC about scheduling the Eagle Required Merit badges – on the back burner
- Need additional SPL/ASPL for Ripley and Shooting Sports Campouts
- Scouts want to cook an additional meal or 2 at Tomahawk
 - Done as a troop, not individual patrols

8:05 FOS Chair Report – Clysdale (Evenson)

- FOS Campaign recap
 - Funds were lower than 2006 but above 2005 levels
 - The troop met the growth goal set by the Council again this year, resulting in free rank advancements awards for the troop for the year
 - Mr. Clysdale did a fantastic job this year and deserves a BIG THANK YOU from everyone in the troop!

8:10 Old Items – Evenson

- Troop Neckerchief
 - Patches have been completed and ordered
 - The troop is going to go with a single color neckerchief; piping along the edges will distinguish the nights of camping
- Troop t-shirts have been ordered – need a volunteer to coordinate the distribution and collection of money for the shirts

8:15 New Items – Evenson

- Training Certification
- Toothless Walrus Patrol for adult leaders; Chris B has the patches – talk with him

8:20 Secretary Clarification

8:30 Adjournment

Next Meeting:

June 11, 2007

St. Odilia Cafeteria