

Troop 626 Committee Meeting

April 14, 2008

7:00 Call To Order - Molitor

7:00 Invocation - Haffely

7:05 Treasurer's Report – Miller

- Review Financial Status
 - We're in good cash shape for the year
 - Final numbers for Snow Base, Phillippo, and Welch –
 - Welch had loss – expected
 - Others are pretty much break even

7:10 Eagle Coach Report – Smith

- Tom F – completed Eagle Work – awaiting BOR stage
- Daniel H – presented to district on Thursday, needs to make a couple of additions
- Asked district representatives about James M and Scott M paperwork – they will check into it

7:15 BOR Chair Report – Podvin/Shearon

- Minimal activity in last month

7:20 Religious Awards – Podvin

- Nothing to report

7:25 Unit Commissioner's Report – Hudson

- Roundtable May 8
 - Safe swim / safety afloat training
- Webelos Woods May 16-18
 - 4 scout leaders going, 3 adults

7:30 Fundraising Chair Report – Haugland

- Linder's Gift Card Weekend – Friday through Monday – May 16 - 19
- Purchased 350 cards, so far – off to a better start than last year
- ½ dozen or so of new scouts are participating
- Church bulletin will mention selling and weekend date
- Look at working on the Scouts for Hire – concentrate on Philmont group, but will be open to other scouts
- Email to Angie Heinz – has done Twins fundraiser
 - Purchase blocks of tickets from Twins at discount
 - Sell to others and face value or slightly under
 - Fairly easy

7:35 PLC Report – David K / Teddy T

- Started by taking attendance – almost ½ group tardy
- Tomahawk training – Bear is first and last day of June

- Week in July – swim test
- COH outside – Sucker Lake park
- District Dinner – help clean, serve – told patrols to promote service
- Camporee in October – other troop helping run – Wacky Olympics – looks like fun – requesting feed back
- Teddy T taking over on May 1, Brian B taking over as ASPL
- Asked Daniel J about library – looking for more books;
- Publicist – board is staying updated
- Mystery Cave tour – must be 13 or above for the 4 hour tour; under 13 will take shorter tour and then go trout fishing
- Rocket camp has lost interest – been done every year; Do astronomy camp instead with 15 professional telescopes; work on Astronomy Merit Badge
- Two year rotating cycle for campouts – prevent same campouts year after year
- Linder’s Gift Cards – 15% of profits
- Two weeks ago, when adults were removed from meeting – trying to get a room for adults – trying to go to more scout led – during breakouts return to work with patrols – goal to do this more frequently – scouts liked it

7:40 Scoutmaster’s Report – Glander

- Rambunctious PLC meeting
- New scouts are anxious to get into their roles
- Current patrol leader helps the transition
- Chain of command in troop meetings
 - Patrol leader needs to manage patrol – needs to deal with patrol when sign’s up
 - Discussed reason for PLC meetings and patrol meetings
 - Increase role and responsibility of Patrol leaders

7:45 Good Turns Report – Andrews

- Walker T did fine job with doughnuts
- District Dinner handled by Caleb K
- Two opportunities
 - Facilitate a Car Wash with funds to go to Philmont
 - Maybe create a High Adventure Fund at the troop level
 - Portion of funds for Philmont, portion for charity
 - Shared / combination good turn and fundraiser
 - All Day service project coming up – Saturday or Sunday

7:50 Camping Coordinator’s Report - Evenson

- Camping Calendar (review next 1 or 2 campouts)
 - April Trip – Mountain Bike Challenge (AHATS) 4/18-4/20
 - Philmont shakedown group covered
 - Set up bike course and then do own thing
 - Campfire issues

- Orienteering and first aid covered – especially during the race
- 3 first year parents are teaching skills
- May Trip – OA Spring Campout (Phillipo) / JOLT Training (Fred C) 5/2-5/4
- Canoe/Kayak Day Trip – Rice Creek 5/10
 - Swimming tests – issue for first years?
 - Becomes a contingent factor for first years
 - Swim test needs to have been completed within last 12 months as a member of the troop
 - Long float: 10 to 4
 - Need to be comfortable in water
- Webelos Woods (Fred C Anderson) / Habitat Restoration Campout (Miss River Nat'l) 5/16-18
- Whitewater Rafting (Jay Cooke) 6/6
 - Need adult leader
 - Rafting adventure costs extra
- Southern MN Adventure (Forestville State Park) 6/27 – 6/29
 - Long tour for older boys; shorter tour for younger boys
 - Trout fishery for younger boys
 - Adult leader needed
- Lazin' by the River Campout (Fred C Anderson) 7/11-7/13
 - Need adult leader
 - In process of getting reserved – space was available
- November – do rockets as a day camp portion
- No High adventure plan for 2009 yet
- Need to start thinking about 2010

7:55 Philmont Trip Report – Haugland

- Philmont – July 22 – Aug 7, 2008
- Working on shakedown trips
- Upcoming two campouts
- One along the North Shore trail
- Changing Flights – were on Frontier, rebooked with NorthWest (extra \$250)
- Travels concerns pretty well booked
- Renting car for a couple of days for the in the area
- Most scouts have boots and packs
- Keeping good notes about the process to pass on to the troop – Good start for high adventure for troop;
- Some supplies that will be able to be passed on to the troop.

8:00 Tomahawk Report – Schmittiel

- Tomahawk Scout Camp – Aug 2 - 9, 2008
- Timeline / process
- 29 scouts registered, including 3 first years (have until the end of April)
- Quentin T is SPL, Jack H is ASPL – start attending the PLC meetings
- Merit Badge material is being distributed next Monday

- All health forms in by June 2 when final payment is due
- Short on commitment from adults, especially those with experience

8:05 Camporee Planning Status Report – Swanson

- Planning meeting last night – broke into different committees
- Next meeting is May 5
- Need more assistance – modest commitments
- Need people to commit to being there in October

8:10 New Items

- Adult Recruitment – **Glander** – 5 min
 - Still in lead of adults for BOR (2 or 3 first year parents)
 - Look at the patrols and identify those who are ready for to help
 - Need more Merit Badge Counselors, especially Eagle required)
- Adult Leaders 1st Aid / CPR Training before June 1, 2008 – **Haffely / Glander** – 3 min
 - Trainer is available April 30 from 5:00 to 9:00 pm
 - Cost is \$25 per individual
- May 19 COH site – **Glander** – 2 min
 - Shelter at Sucker Lake Park – 96 and Rice; new shelter; number of grills – start of efforts to get more of our meetings outside

8:20 Old Items

- Grey Wolf process/status – **Chervenak** – 5 min
 - Three scouts are being nominated: Alex E., Scott R., Richie P.
 - Youth Basic Leader Training on April 12: Kevin B., Michael C.,

8:30 Secretary Clarification - Chervenak

8:30 Adjournment

Next Committee Meeting:

May 12, 2008

St. Odilia Cafeteria