

Troop 626 Committee Meeting

August 18, 2008

7:00 Call To Order – Molitor

7:00 Invocation - Haffely

7:05 Treasurer's Report – Miller

- Tomahawk and Philmont checks coming in and out
- No major changes from last month

7:10 Eagle Coach Report – Smith

7:15 Unit Commissioner's Report – Hudson

- Roundtable this Thursday – Watermelon feed

7:20 Fundraising Chair Report – Haugland

- Nothing to report
- Linder's – 2 loose ends
- Wreath packets will be out next week
 - Usual kick of second week of September
 - Need 2 to 3 adults for assistance – need some new people
- Twins game
 - Ended up between 35 and 40 tickets left – maybe a loss of about \$280
 - Even though there is a loss, camp bucks earned by the scouts will still be awarded
- Have two established fund raisers – Linders and Wreath Sales
 - If there are other ideas, present idea to a sub committee instead of full committee
 - Review the idea for possible issues
 - If a go, then present to the full committee

7:25 BOR Chair Report and Religious Awards – Podvin/Shearon

- Approximately 35 to 40 BOR at Tomahawk
 - 17 to Tenderfoot to second
 - 2 Life
 - 1 Star
 - 4 First Class
- Ad Altare Dei is on agenda for this fall
 - 2nd and 3rd years (7th and 8th grade)
 - Being run earlier
 - Final celebration in February

7:30 Philmont Crew Report – Haugland/Frisbie

- Final billing report will be sent to Miller
- Continuation of trips – everything was given to Michael F – he did a great job
- Has paperwork for next application (2010)
- Met several adults from other troops – advisors coffee; some troops had multiple groups

- Twice as hard; but then twice as rewarding
- Great group
- Would encourage other groups to go
- Troop will purchase the two-man tents that were used for the trip

7:35 PLC Report – Brian B

- 5 meeting plan
- Camping
 - Tettegouche - September 19-21
 - Camporee Oct 10-12 / shakedown on Sep 13
 - Astronomy Nov 7 to 9
 - No December campout
 - Jan – boundary waters (for snowbase); or snowbase
 - Feb – wreath sales
- Planning for the next 6 to 12 months
 - Have general idea of what to do
 - Shooting sports
 - Hiking /Geocaching
 - Whitewater kayaking
 - Skiing
 - Lazing by the river
 - Astronomy
 - Other misc merit badge
 - SE Minnesota
 - Cycling – bike there and back
 - AHATS
 - Canoeing – possibly lead to Northern Tier/BWCA
 - Camping and Cooking merit badges
 - Two Service projects
 - Instructors in month of or month previous to campout – teach basic skills for campout
 - Learn one week; practice another week in an inter-patrol activity
 - Rotate between Tomahawk, Many point, out of state camp for weeklong camps
 - Don't think we'd lose the reservation priority at Tomahawk
 - Council encouraging this type of activity
 - District Waligazu
 - district run competition for 5 or 6 scouts from troop;
 - Knot tying, first aid, lashing
 - Create inter-patrol activity to determine which scouts are top
 - Patrols would be vertical integrated, not age integrated
 - Philmont guys said it was awesome
 - A lot of interest for high adventure

7:40 Scoutmaster's Report – Glander

- Planning process last night went well

- Good input tonight
- Brian and folks are coming together on running the PLC meetings
- Gaining ground
- Not asking for major format changes
- Talk about tucking some merit badge activity into the meetings (invite counselors ½ before meeting)
- Den chiefs ready to go

7:45 Tomahawk Report – Schmittziel /

- Wrap up report
- 40 scouts were there
- Phenomenal success
- Adults worked out pretty well – never less than 10
- Next year – August 1 through 8 – let people know as soon as possible so they can plan
- Want to focus on using the ASPL more at the second campsite in the future
- Created a lessons learned – will share at next committee meeting
- Good idea for the boys selecting their own merit badges – showed more excitement; should continue on that path
- If we do wood carving – we need to bring some of our own tools; the tools at Tomahawk – not quite enough, dull; direct the boys to a different merit badge

7:50 Good Turns Report – Andrews

- Service project on Saturday
- At Coon Rapids dam
- Looks to be a good project
- Environmental Science learning and Soil Conservation
- Fall Festival - Sep 6 and 7

7:55 Camping Coordinator’s Report - Evenson

- Camping Calendar
 - See information from PLC meeting for schedule
- 1st and 2nd years; 3rd and above are staff at Camporee
- Snowbase – look at Tomahawk program
- BWCA winter trip
 - Hudson and Evenson;
 - try and do during the Christmas Break;
 - need prior winter camping experience
 - 7 scouts
- Scouts would like due dates further out from the campout
- Campout communication needs to increase? – Explanation and synopsis of what does the campout mean on yearly plan
- Camporee videos on website

8:00 New Items

8:10 Old Items

- Need 15 adults and 15 scouts for shakedown and camporee

8:15 Secretary Clarification - Chervenak

8:30 Adjournment

Next Committee Meeting:
September 15, 2008
St. Odilia Cafeteria