

Troop 918 Committee Meeting Minutes - 19 Oct 2015

Meeting Start Time:	7:15pm	Meeting End Time:	8:15 pm
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Executive Committee			Other Attendees	
X	CC	Gordon C.	Rob S.	
X	COR	Gary B.	Len M.	
X	Treasurer	Greg W.	Rick W.	
X	OPC	Deb W.	Chris Y.	
X		Maureen W.		
X	Secretary	Linda W.		
X	Advancements	Dave N.		
X	Scout Master	Darren R.		

1. Committee Chair - Gordon C.

- Sep minutes put into the record

2. Secretary Report - Linda W.

- Rick W. and Paul S. are not getting Committee TroopKit emails. Some clean-up of the email distros is needed for Committee and Extended Committee.

3. Chartered Organization Representative Report

- NTR

4. Treasurer Report - Greg W.

- Troop balance of over \$10K, which includes \$1900 in trailer fund, with \$1600 spent on shed so far. Popcorn payments still need to be made to BSA BAC.
- several scouts and adults accounts do not have enough funds to pay for rechartering and Camporee. Will send emails to those who need \$\$ deposits to pay for these.
- Next Philmont payment of \$300 due end of October. \$300 due end of November and end of December, too.

5. Advancement / Membership Coordinator Report - Dave N.

- Re-chartering: 1 scout and 12 adults who have not indicated their status. Many boys who aged out and adults are re-chartering with Crew 1878. 30 Oct deadline to get re-chartering paperwork compiled.
- Several Board of Reviews to be scheduled over the next two months.
- Need more adult campers, possibly assistant scoutmasters in pipeline to assist Darren.

6. Outdoor Program Coordinator Report - Deb W.

- 7 scouts completed 50-miler bike ride in rain
- questions for Darren re: scheduling of Philmont Shakedown hikes
- Notice: SPL Jeremy will not be able to attend summer camp.
- Need more adult volunteers for camping trips.
- Dec camping at Jarvis, Valley Forge. Already paid for with previous credit

7. Senior Patrol Leader / Assistant Senior Patrol Leader Report – Jeremy W.

- SPL for four meetings. Worked on knots and lashings for rank advancement for first class scouts. Fitness testing – 6 1/2 mile hike at Oct camping. Also at Oct camping, fireman's chit and toten chit.

8. Webmaster Update - Maureen W.

- comparison of TroopKit vs Scoutlander continues, Maureen and Deb have not received much feedback. Investigating if can get Paypal thru Scoutlander, similar to how it is linked to Troop 918 website.

9. Scoutmaster Report – Darren R.

- Oct camping had 50 mi bike riding and camping by 5 scouts, with work done for junior advancements. Questions on whether several youth were re-chartering or not.
- Discussion of merit badges for Jan lock-in:
 - 1) need list of merit badge offerings
 - 2) need counselors BEFORE scouts start blue card requirements
 - 3) need offerings for younger scouts
 - 4) perhaps offer sessions for scouts who have partial merit badges (Dave N send out list)
 - 5) several potential counselors need to be registered as merit badge counselors for the troop and district (applications thru BSA, BSA Advancement Guide). Gordon offer Entrepreneurship?
 - 6) Demonstration of Scoutlander during lock-in? Motioned & seconded.
 - 7) Many boys interested in citizenship – it has LOTS of pre-requisites.
- Philmont Shakedown hike scheduled for early Sun morning Nov 15 so boys could participate fully in Camporee activities.
- Camporee - Broad Creek, Spencer. Some scouts still need more cooking work for advancement and merit badges. Grubmaster for Camporee needs to do breakfast and dinner.
- Personnel: Darren may get new job/orders in Spring of 2016. It may be shiftwork, and he would miss Monday meetings, but could still do camping weekends.

10. Old Business

- Shed is enclosed, more finishing work and painting to be done.
- Greg W. still needs popcorn forms back from several scouts.
- Philmont – registered 6 scouts and 2 adults. Need to get more scouts and an adult for trip. Len M. bring flyer to next Roundtable (Linda L will compose). Blue Sky options need to be decided. Next payment from troop to Philmont due in Jan.

11. New Business

- Rick W. from Roundtable: 1) Klondike, Philmont Training Center, and Order of Arrow upcoming events
- Scoutbook – Dave N. investigating using it to replace Troopmaster. Venture Crew used Scoutlander. CS Pack 918 now use Scoutbook, too. Scoutlander would combine the TroopKit events, communications and calendar with a website. Have both Scoutlander and TroopKit at the same time as overlap during transition? TroopKit costs \$12 a year. Website is \$99 a year for domain name, due soon. Scoutlander is free, they accept donations.

- Gary B. : for new chartering year 2016 Len M. will become Committee Chair, and Gordon C will start working on training to become an assistant scoutmaster/ASM
- Oct PLC meeting rescheduled for Wed 21st at 7:00
- SeaBase – Johan is spearheading. Scuba sessions opened up for whole troop?
- Philmont: dte for scout/parent meeting Wed, Nov 11 7pm (Secretary note: funeral of scout dad; meeting postponed to Nov 18 at 7pm at OSLC),

TroopKit Schedule of Events:

Camp Jarvis-Troop Camp	unknown	12/04/15 5:00pm	12/06/15 12:00pm
Lock-In Camp	unknown	01/29/16 5:00pm	01/30/16 11:00am
Snowtubing Day Trip	unknown	02/27/16 8:00am	02/27/16 9:00pm
Philmont Shakedown #2 Camp	unknown	03/11/16 5:00pm	03/13/16 12:00pm
TENTATIVE DATE: Merit Badge Madness 2016! Event	unknown	04/01/16 5:00pm	04/03/16 12:00pm
Maple Tree Treehouse Camp	unknown	04/15/16 12:00pm	04/17/16 8:00pm
Philmont Shakedown #3 Camp	unknown	04/15/16 5:00pm	04/17/16 12:00pm
Gettysburg Camp	unknown	05/13/16 5:00pm	05/15/16 12:00pm
Philmont Shakedown #4 Camp	unknown	05/13/16 5:00pm	05/15/16 12:00pm
2016 Rodney Summer Camp	unknown	06/26/16 12:00pm	07/02/16 10:00am
2016 Philmont Expedition Camp	Not Going	07/04/16 7:00am	07/18/16 12:00am
2016 Sea Base Camp	unknown	07/09/16 8:00am	07/15/16 7:00pm

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: 16 Nov 15 or 30 Nov? (Anne Arundel County schools closed Nov 23 for Thanksgiving week)