

BSA TROOP 918 COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 19 DEC 2016

ATTENDEES:

Len Morgan
Maureen Whittington
Dave Newell
Rick Wiles

Paul Shollenberger
Gary Bishop
Greg Weight

(Abbreviated meeting to accommodate holiday party.)

SECRETARY REPORT – MAUREEN W.

- Meeting minutes for 11/28/16 Committee Meeting were approved by the Executive Committee and posted on Scoutlander.

CHARTERED ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE REPORT – GARY B.

- SPAN expressed thanks for giving up our meeting space to accommodate their holiday basket activity.
- Reservations are done for the 1/27-28 lock-in.

TREASURER REPORT – GREG W.

- The accounts summary was presented, reviewed, and accepted. Greg will forward to Maureen.

Bank Account Balance: \$4117.09

Scout Accounts: \$1243

Balance: \$2874.09

- 2017 Registration Fees/Dues – Greg has a list of who-owes-what and will be reaching out to parents in coming weeks.
- Maureen gathered costs for Summer Camp (*see attached*); costs were discussed and will be discussed further during January's meeting.
- \$100 was approved for holiday party pizza.

ADVANCEMENT REPORT – DAVE N.

- Four Scouts completed BoRs this month. Thanks to all who participated! Two more are ready for January 9 BoRs.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – DAVE N.

- There was a question as to whether the recharter fees check had been cashed by Council.

OUTDOOR PROGRAM REPORT – DEB W. (*unable to attend*)

- March weekend activity should be addressed by PLC.
 - Patuxent River Research Refuge (fishing backpacking, etc.) is being reserved for the weekend of 3/24/17.

- The postponed Fall District Camporee is scheduled for the weekend of March 17. Len said that it's coming together at the district level, but slowly. No fees have been allocated to date.
- Either or both can be accommodated with sufficient planning.
- Merit Badge Madness (3/31-4/2) is "on your own"; no camping; Ed Knox will be Troop PoC for Scouts wishing to sign up anyway.

SPL REPORT – JACK W.

- No report was requested from SPL this month.

SCOUTMASTER REPORT – MIKE B.

- No report was requested from Scoutmaster this month.

CALENDAR REVIEW

- 1/9/17
 - Board of Reviews will be held;
 - Arrow of Light den from Pack 918 will be visiting to check us out.
- 1/16/17: MLK Day; no Troop 918 meeting
- 1/21/17: 4 Rivers Klondike Derby at Kinder Farm Park
- 1/23/17: January Committee Meeting will be held
- 1/27/17: Lock-in at OSLC – Merit badge info being worked on
- 1/30/17: Winter Court of Honor
- 2/3-5/17: Camping at Henson SR (Yurts/Tents)

WEBMASTER REPORT – LEN

- Paul was wondering if Andrew has been given anything to do on the website because he is Troop Webmaster. In response, Maureen noted that she had spoken to Lloyd (Dad) and Andrew regarding Andrew adding photos to the Scoutlander site; no further inquiries were made by Andrew.

OLD BUSINESS

- Staffing
 - Webwrangler needed, but not critical
 - Need MBCs for Lock-in

NEW BUSINESS

- Scoutbook? (Dave to present options at January meeting)
- Consider adding budget item for annual holiday party.
- Encourage adult leaders to consider training at the University of Scouting (3/11).

Camp Horseshoe 2017

- Total cost for a Scout to attend is \$410 (includes early bird rate plus \$20 for Troop t-shirts);
- 10/10/16: \$100/deposit paid for Crockett campsite (site holds 26-32 Scouts in 8-boy shelters; 4 adults)
- 3/31/17: \$50 deposit per camper (including adults)
- 5/15/17:
 - \$360 balance due for Early Bird discount (total cost \$390* + \$20/shirt)
 - \$130 balance due for adults (total cost \$180; shirts cost separate and optional)
- After 5/15/17**: \$440 cost per camper (not sure if adult cost changes) + shirt = \$460 total

** Families with more than one Scout pays the entire fee for the first Scout, then receives a \$50 discount for each additional Scout.*

*** First year Scouts crossing over or joining a troop after the May 15 discounted rate deadline are eligible for the discounted rate until June 15 IF all other Scouts are fully paid up.*