

BSA Troop 918 Committee Meeting Minutes – 19 June 2017

Maureen W.
Deb W.
Dani R
Rick W
Gordon C

Paul S
Greg W
Dave N
Len M

SECRETARY REPORT – MAUREEN W. Meeting minutes for 05/15/17 Committee Meeting were approved by the Executive Committee and posted on Troop 918 website under Committee tab.

CHARTERED ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE REPORT – GARY B.

- Gary could not attend
- Dave N. noted that there may be a need for the Troop to help cleanup because janitor is staying late. If the Troop leaves promptly by 8:30 the janitor will have time to do his work.

TREASURER REPORT – GREG W.

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Bank Account Balance | 3582 . 46 |
| Scout Accounts | 1452 . 00 |
| Video Projector | 180 . 00 |
| Balance | 1950 . 46 |

- Len questioned if anyone was in arrears. Greg noted that most accounts were up to date with the exception of a few t-shirts.
- Greg still needs to deduct for the August canoe trip.
- Deb noted that we have flexibility as far as the number of canoes for which we pay.

ADVANCEMENT REPORT – DAVE N.

- Two Scouts advanced tonight. It was noted that Darek has been sitting on First Class for some time.
- Dani questioned if service hours can be added for hours earned outside the Troop. It was confirmed that yes, they can, and the Scout should get a note from the person running the project.
- Chip is working on getting information filled in on ScoutBook regarding camping hours, service hours, etc. Chip will check if Scouts swimming is marked off. Chip is distributing Merit Badges to those who were not at COH.
- Dani is updating the forms info on Scoutbook.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – DAVE N.

- It was noted that Darion has moved to New Mexico.

OUTDOOR PROGRAM REPORT – DEB W.

- See attached copy of OPC Report.
- Deb noted that the Troop held a successful APLC & June canoe trip.

- There was some interest in the Summit for next summer and it was noted that all Scouts must do the same program; if the Scouts would like to do two different programs, they must be considered two different groups. Training is involved in everything including tentative online training, so all that should be taken into planning consideration.
- The Troop is confirmed for 12/17 Assateague Camping. Other trips will be booked after Deb's vacation.
- ILST training locations will be discussed with Deb, Mike & Len. It was noted that they need electric.
- Camporee date has been set 11/10-11/12/17; Tentatively to be held at Broad Creek.
- Summer camp for next year will be determined after Camp Horseshoe. Seven year plan will be revisited after Camp Horseshoe.
- Greg noted that 2019 World Jamboree will be held at The Summit.

SUMMER CAMP PREP – (ALL)

- Mike offered the BX Bus for Summer Camp if someone is willing to drive.
- Lloyd is going up Tuesday night.
- Mike B will consolidate swim test information for Horseshoe.
- A meeting will be held next Monday night meeting at 7pm for all Scouts attending Camp Horseshoe.

SPL REPORT – JACK W.

- Jack noted the Troop has moved to Class B uniforms and every other week meetings.
- Since the last Committee Meeting, the Troop has participated in Flag Placement and Jeremy's Eagle Project. Both went well.
- Meeting will be held on July 12th in preparation for the canoe trip. The previous canoe trip went well; they had fun. There was some Scouts who got sunburned legs despite multiple applications of sunscreen. Jack was at District Dinner where Mrs. Wood, Mr. Knox, Mr. Binnix and Jack's Mom won awards.
- Summer Camp is coming up and a meeting will be held on June 26. Marching cadences were being learned as Jack presented his report.

SCOUTMASTER REPORT – MIKE B.

- Mike distributed APLC Meeting minutes and noted that it was a great meeting with lots of discussion. One change proposed was a family dinner during the September Court of Honor. Request that it be potluck or a charge. The Troop would like to make the COH bigger deal, which may help families feel a bit more involved.
- The Fall COH is set for 9/18/17 at 6:30pm.
- It was noted that the Scouts would like more service projects and that the ASPL would help identify projects. Consideration given to finding an institution to support and doing a quarterly project. JTE service projects has to be once a year for Our Shepherd. It was also noted that service projects could be done at camping locations.
- Mike noted that the theme that came out was that they want to do backpacking. Three months of 2018 are dedicated for backpacking; start modest and build up to more challenging treks. Might need to split group into shorter & longer hikes based on age groups.
- Some discussion of going to Summit. It's under \$1000 per Scout and more cost-effective than Philmont. Boys would also like to go to Summit for a week next summer. Summit is a fun and ambitious program, and the Scouts want more adventure.
- Len noted that adult coverage is an issue and will need to be considered.
- One thought was for a weekend with family included, possibly in August or September.

- Fundraising: popcorn sales is no fun but the Scouts agreed they should still participate. Camp Card sales (March to May is selling season) is very easy and they would like to do that as well.
- Greg noted that one idea is to raise dues and all popcorn sales go to the Scout Account. Not required to pay money to BAC if they do not do popcorn sales.
- Len will write up the business cases and we will plan on selling popcorn and camp cards. No popcorn will be ordered if we are not having Show & Sells.

CALENDAR REVIEW – (All)

- June 20 - Adult Leader Meeting tomorrow night
- Summer Meeting Schedule (see Scoutbook)
- No committee meeting in July (none needed); Aug 28th Committee Meeting (changed to coordinate with Troop Meeting on summer schedule).

WEBMATTERS – LEN/MAUREEN

OLD BUSINESS

- Staffing – Succession for Treasurer, OPC, Sec’y; Assistance for Advancement (Len) (not discussed)
- Getting “graduated” Scouts to return/help (not discussed)
- PA system procured!!
- Flag Retirement ceremony; we have a lot to be retired. Maureen will mention to Jack.

NEW BUSINESS

- Eagle Scout Coaches and Mentors (review by 3 people, Coach, Scoutmaster & Beneficiary)
- Life to Eagle Seminar
- Merit Badges