

# BSA Troop 918 Committee Meeting Minutes – 18 March 2019

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## Attendees...

- Maureen W
- Brien C
- Aaron K
- Paul S
- James L
- Keith Li
- Rick W
- Brett M
- Dave N
- Len M
- Dang N
- Donna C
- Keith La

## SECRETARY – Brien C (/Maureen W)

- Meeting minutes for the previous Committee Meeting - Approved

## CHARTERED ORGANIZATION REP—Keith L

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## TREASURER/FUNDRAISING — Suresh J

- Dues status – everyone up to date
- Summer camp payment + Exec Comm Decision on “supplement”
  - \$35 supplement – agreed by Exec committee
  - Apr 5 due date for payments
- Camp Cards
  - 300 camp cards distributed, 80 returned
  - Len to provide due date (believes end of Apr)
- Popcorn
  - Need to sign up before June
- 12 debit cards outstanding – need to reconcile

## ADVANCEMENT – Dave N

- BoRs
  - Aaron passed for 2<sup>nd</sup> class
  - Jack’s Eagle BoR is staffed
- CoHs
  - Jack’s Eagle COH, will schedule when notice comes back from National (maybe end of May)
  - Next troop COH – end of May?
- Lots of patches inherited from 857, means we don’t have to buy as many patches
- Only 10 Scout rank patches remain in stock, can only order more when they’re earned

## MEMBERSHIP – Dave N/Len M

- Adults in the pipeline: Mike P, Keith Li, Tom P, Vanna Z, Mark Z?
  - Keith Li, Tom P – Len has applications
- New Scouts
  - Everyone has crossed over or transferred now

#### **OUTDOOR PROGRAM – Brett M**

- See below

#### **QUARTERMASTER –Aaron K**

- Ordering new patrol patches once count is in
- No equipment purchases in months

#### **SPL –Garrett B**

- Switching to 3 patrols
  - Need for new chuck box for adults
  - Need new cookware, pop up, stove, etc.
  - Work with youth quartermaster and adult quartermaster (anything over \$30) to determine plan
  - Downsizing wash station – each patrol gets a small wash station instead. Will save space in trailer
  - Downsizing axe yard as well
- Request reflective poles for trailer parking space
- Request 12v air compressor to inflate trailer tires in case of emergency
- Battleship NJ
  - 42 people going
  - 7 scouts going for radio merit badge
  - Carpools for different departures
- Jack W Eagle BoR
- Calder Eagle project this coming Saturday
- Merit Badge Madness
- 6 Scouts registered for NYLT (5/17-19)
- April trip caving Laurel Caverns
- Assigning new scouts to patrols – will be worked out shortly

#### **SCOUTMASTER –Mike B**

- Need to verify Youth Protection and medical forms A/B for adults attending Battleship NJ
- Need committee help for Apr 6 to build out new patrol kits
- Need markers for trailer parking assist – quartermaster to research
  - Can't be yanked out of ground
  - Won't injure children
- New patrol rosters
  - Need to be redone
  - Even distribution of leadership
  - Brothers in separate patrols
  - Roughly even age distribution
  - 14ish scouts per patrol, assumes 50% attendance at most outdoor events
  - Will circulate for comment once a draft is ready
- Calder's Eagle Project
  - Difficult work for adults and scouts
  - Respectable number of scouts showed up and worked hard
- Isaac Eagle Project

- Needs help this Friday 7pm (scouts age 14+) for pre-construction
  - Will hang gates one day next week
  - Deadline for completion is March 28
- Mike to spend \$1/person (\$42 total) for Independence Hall tickets –approved by committee
- Mike will book OSLC for night before Old Rag camping trip (5/10)

#### **CALENDAR REVIEW**

- St. Margaret's Winter Relief Service Opportunity – March 25-31
- Scouting for Food –need adult volunteer to run it in April

#### **WEBMATTERS – Len/Maureen**

- Get new Scouts/parents on Scoutbook

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- New Troop T-Shirts, et al
  - Decision on website store for order
  - Need to finalize design and get troop approval – Maureen will provide a few options for troop vote
- Neckerchiefs

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Rick has old Eagle Court of Honor programs for the troop going back to 1980s

## **2018-19 TROOP 918 EVENT** **SCHEDULE**

### **March 2019**

Overnight: Battleship NJ \$69/person  
/Eastern State Penitentiary/Philadelphia  
3/23- 42 confirmed  
Paid in FULL \$2898  
Suresh collecting \$\$

Merit Badge Madness 3/30-3/31

### **April 2019**

Overnight 4/26-28:  
Laurel (PA) Caverns- 3 hr drive

- 1) Reserved Geology merit badge for 10am (\$18) and Lower cave tour 1400 (\$25) on 4/27
- 2) Scouts <12 and others can do upper cave tour later for no additional down payment
- 3) Stay at Ohiopyle state park 4/27- Site 228 Reserved \$69 (#2-11365520)

### **May 2019**

Overnight 5/11/19: Old Rag hiking  
Stay: Matthews Arms Campsite  
Reserved \$50, Group site D166  
Other: NYLT 5/17-19

### **June 2019**

Overnight: Whitewater rafting-Harper's Ferry  
(Tentatively 6/21-23)

- a. River and Trail-- ½ day with lunch (\$10/pp) Campsite included- estimate emailed 3/19
- b. Harpers Ferry Adventure Ctr. ½ day \$46/person. Add ropes course for

additional \$31/pp or zip line \$46/pp.  
Available camping for addtl fee.  
Reservations taken after 4/1

### **Campsite:**

White water raft company location OR  
Blue ridge lodging and environmental  
stewardship-9min drive  
Washington Monument State Park  
20-25 camper limits- 25 min drive

### **July 2019**

Overnight: BSA Summer Camp-Goshen (7/7-13)  
RESERVED  
\$375/scout by 4/12; \$415 by 5/18; \$455 by 7/6  
\$35 additional fee for transportation and to  
subsidize adults

### **August 2019**

Overnight: Age>13, Seabase (8/2-9)

### **September 2019**

Overnight: Wilderness survival weekend  
Other: Drive-In Movie (Benjie's)- could camp out  
or not 9/7-8

### **October 2019**

Overnight: Gettysburg 10/18-20/2019-reservation  
made site#1  
Gettysburg Battlefield/ghost tour

### **November 2019**

Overnight: USS Constellation and visit to  
Baltimore sites

**Future:** Philmont in 2020?