

Boy Scout Troop 306 Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 10th, 2009

Attendees:

M. Farmer (chair)	J. Donahue	C. Cook
S. Conerly	D. Goodridge	P. McCray
K. Conerly	H. Good	J. Gonzalez (SPL)
K. Duncan	C. Sava	
M. Mack	S. Cieslla	

Opening:

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. and opening prayer led by Mr. Conerly.

Reports:

Scoutmaster:

The troop has added 14 scouts who crossed over and 4 adults. There are 19 new scouts so far this season, and there could be 20.

The assistant scoutmasters will meet tonight to work on reorganizing patrols.

Upcoming events

The next PLC will be March 31st.

April 3-6 campout: We will be having a 3-night campout at the Highland Park Fish Camp in DeLand. The camping fee is free, so it should be a very affordable extended campout for all. There will be no meeting on April 6th due to the campout and spring break.

April 17-19 campout: We are camping at Mullet Lake Park and will be attending the SCGAA Youth Fest. This is a day of shooting sports.

April 26th will be a backpacking event for scouts who are 16 and older.

May: Family Fest is the first Saturday. May 9th will be a planning meeting for upcoming campouts. May 16th will be the next Court of Honor.

June: Summer Camp at Camp Rainey Mountain.

Equipment

A propane tank has been donated to the troop and another was found that had been abandoned and is in good working order. We have not made any progress on the painting of the big trailer. However, the battery box has been mounted.

SPL: The PLC discussed:

- The personal management merit badge has been opened
- 3/16 the troop may begin the radio merit badge
- Many scouts have been late with their permission forms for campouts. In the future, those who are late will be responsible for taking care of their own food so that shopping may be done in a timely fashion.
- The service patrol for each meeting will be responsible for that night's game/activity. The Scout running the game/activity must call Mr. Conerly by the Sunday before the meeting so that he can review / approve it before the meeting.
- 3/23 will try to hold citizenship in the community and communications merit badge classes.
- Scouts can earn service hours on 3/28 by helping with Angel Food Ministries.
- The PLC discussed the spring break campout and SCGAA shoot fest
- Family Fest - to be eligible for troop level prizes such as a party in the church gym scouts will need to sell 15 cards in order to qualify. Some other prizes discussed for the top three sellers were a buck knife, tent, camping gear, and gift cards.
- An ASPL will be relieved of his duty and another quartermaster will be assigned
- A swim test will take place on 5/11 or 5/18 depending on YMCA approval. All scouts must be retested each year as well as any adult who wants to participate in water activities.

Secretary: Mrs. Duncan has nothing new to report.

Treasurer: Mrs. Conerly's report is as follows:

Net Worth – As of 2/28/09 the Troop's net worth is \$2,105.17 (the highest amount in the Troop's history).

Scout Account Statements – Passbook statements for February from TroopLedger were sent out 3/2/09.

Camping Supplies Reserve – We have received the American Express Cards for \$120 in rebates from the cookware sets. These will now be used to purchase camping supplies (propane, griddles, etc.) as needed.

Summer Camp – Next deposit will be made to Camp Rainey Mountain by 4/1/09. We currently have payments received from 30 Scouts, with interest expressed from a couple others including some of the new crossovers.

Outdoor Activities Coordinator: vacant

Advancement Coordinator: Mrs. Mobley was unable to attend this month's meeting.

Chaplain: vacant

Training: Mrs. McGuire was not present. However, the committee discussed that there are various training opportunities available online and at summer camp.

Equipment Coordinator – vacant:

See Scoutmaster report.

Scout Parent Coordinator:

Mrs. Cook did not have any new items to report. The committee discussed various ways to reach parents such as a phone tree.

Old Business:

Fundraiser review:

- a. InsiderPages.com: Mrs. Conerly received a reply from the website. There are currently no opportunities available, but the troop is encouraged to try again in a few months.
- b. Family fest: sign ups are going well. There are still some openings for show and sells. Mrs. Mack reviewed the show and sell booth guidelines with the committee for any suggested changes. It was suggested that both the scout and parent sign and date the guidelines. Mrs. Mack will make any minor adjustments before the next troop meeting so that the guidelines may be distributed.
- c. Troop activity determined for scouts who sell 15 or more cards will be a party in the church gym on 5/30. Mrs. Farmer will see if the family life center is available and fill out the appropriate paperwork. Mrs. Sava made a motion to go forward with this activity and Mrs. Cook seconded the motion. The committee passed it unanimously.
- d. Troop level prizes were determined as follows: top seller will receive a headlamp, 2nd will receive a tent fan, 3rd will receive a crank flashlight. Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept these prizes and Mrs. Sava seconded the motion. The committee approved the troop level prizes.
- e. Parent ribbons: Mrs. Donahue presented several options including the ribbon that can be purchased, a lanyard with green and tan, and a lanyard that has yellow and blue on one side and green and tan on the other. It was determined that it would be more cost effective if the troop made the parent ribbons (approximately .80 per ribbon). Each scout would receive one lanyard to present to his parents. Mrs. Sava made a motion for the troop to make the lanyard with tan and green and to have some alternate ones made that would have both the yellow and blue and tan and green. Mr. McCray seconded the motion. The committee passed the motion unanimously.

New Business:

- Family Fest: the question arose whether or not adults could earn fundraising money. Mrs. Duncan made a motion that adults who work fundraisers are included in the profit split whereas the money would either go into the adult scout account or the respective son's account. Mrs. Good seconded the motion.
- Mr. McCray brought to the committee's attention an opportunity for the boys to be a part of a maintenance party on 5/9 where they would work to help maintain a vessel. He will get the information and pass it along to the senior patrol leader for him to present at the next PLC.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 14th, 2009.