

**Boy Scout Troop 306- Committee Meeting Minutes for  
Tuesday, February 8, 2011**

<b><u>Attendees:</u></b> M. Farmer	M. Lodes	R. Chappell
K. Duncan	L. Mobley	L. Payne
S. Conerly	S. Shinner	B. Auerbach
C. Luckart	K. Conerly	J. Lodes
R. Fanning	S. Ciesla	
SPL- M. Donahue		

**Opening:** 7:01 with prayer led by Mr. Conerly and introductions.

**Reports:**

**Scoutmaster-** ([Sent to all members prior to the meeting via email](#))

**Past Outdoor Activities:**

None since the last committee meeting

**Future Outdoor Activities:**

February: The official Troop camp out will be a backpacking weekend. We will be hiking from Pat's Island on the Florida Trail to Hidden Pond. This is a 3.5 mile hike each way and should not be too difficult for less experienced Scouts.

March: The dates are March 11–13. Location will be at Camp Rybolt. We will be taking canoes out on Saturday for a trip down the river at Juniper Springs.

April: The dates are April 15-17. This will be at the Spring Tuscarora District Camporee. The theme will be “Scouting Olympics” and is planned to be near the airport in New Smyrna Beach.

May: The dates are May 13-15. The theme is Scouts Skill-a-thon. No location has been determined.

Summer Camp 2011: We will be attending Camp Raven Knob July 17<sup>th</sup> through the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

I have been working on next year's calendar. Many of the dates have been set but still working on themes, etc.

**Equipment:**

The painting of the trailer is not finished yet. I spoke with Bruce recently, he has been working on it and feels he will be done “soon”.

**Scout Roster:**

We are at 42 active registered Scouts currently. We recently crossed over two Webelos Scouts from Pack 312.

**Behavior:**

No major problems at this time.

**Equipment Coordinator-** No report

***Outdoor Activities Coordinator-VACANT***

**SPL-** There are many activities planned for the upcoming months, which include: backpacking along the Florida Trail, a lock-in, canoe trip at Juniper Springs, swim test at RDV, man vs. wild OA, and safety float.

The scouts would like to try selling moon pies again as they felt that they did not use the opportunity when they had the chance.

The rummage sale needs to be better organized in the future.

Jacob and Mark are doing campout leadership while Mark and Matt are doing Scout Show leadership.

\*\*The committee discussed potential dates for a lock-in (4/6 or 5/8), and Mrs. Farmer gathered information to share with an adult volunteer who is willing to coordinate the event. The OA lock-in is 3/ 4 & 3/5.

**Secretary-** *no report*

**Treasurer-** [\(Sent to all members prior to the meeting via email\)](#)

Finances:

**Net Worth** – As of 1/31/11 the Troop's net worth is \$3,499.61.

**Scout Account Statements** – Next quarterly Passbook statements will be sent out after 3/1/11.

**Miscellaneous Income and Expenses:**

**Income –**

- ❖ Profits (\$184.31) from online popcorn sales were finally credited by Central Florida Council into the Troop's Unit Account. Distribution was then done into the Scout's Passbook Accounts.
- ❖ Mon Pie Sales of \$497 has been turned in so far; this is from show & sells and show & delivers.
- ❖ Rummage Sale has had a total income to date of \$1,047.25. Leah Payne took the books home and is going to post them on Craigslist, so there is potential for additional income. Profit distribution into Passbook Accounts will not be until after it is determined if will have additional income from Craigslist sales.
- ❖ Other income in the month of January was the typical deposits into individual passbook accounts, t-shirts and neckerchiefs, summer camp, and dues.

**Expenses –**

- ❖ We had Activity expenses of \$52.19 to reimburse Angie Wilder for Christmas Party decorations.
- ❖ Award expenses were \$57.12 for Troop level awards & patches.
- ❖ Miscellaneous expense was \$34.96 for plates and forks to be used at Troop activities.
- ❖ Mike Lodes was reimbursed \$319.00 for the Moon Pies that he purchased to have product in stock for the show & sells and the show & delivers.
- ❖ Rummage Sale expenses were \$38.67 for the PennySaver ad and Counterfeit Detector markers.
- ❖ Other expenses included Campout Expenses (\$35 for January campout at Camp La-No-Che).

**Brian Wentworth Memorial Fund** – Current Balance is \$3,730.

**Advancement Coordinator-** [\(Sent to all members prior to the meeting via email\)](#)

**RANK:** 4

**MERIT BADGE:** 0

**OTHER AWARDS:** 0

Inventory was conducted and submitted with the monthly advancement report.

Some date corrections to advancement reports for Signaling MB were successfully made as well as the removal of MB from one Scout (Christopher C.) that was erroneously reported.

Still a work is in progress... form that defines the various steps taken prior to a Board of Review (BOR) that will ensure all data has been entered into Troopmaster for each Scout. Advancement Coordinator needs to follow-up with Mr. Lodes regarding input mentioned during last committee meeting.

Follow-up for the latest BORs are needed to ensure all dates were entered for both Nicholas E. (2<sup>nd</sup> Class) and Tyler T. (Star). We had noticed during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Class BOR, the Scout's book is not the current book and did not have a notation for the new 2010 requirements. Do we need to also ensure that notes are annotated in the books? We did speak to the Scout about the requirements and knew they had been met. Does Troopmaster track the new requirements?

Feedback from BORs as follows:

1. Offer rewards (like candy) for model behavior (sort of like marble jar in Cub Scouts).
2. More MB work as a troop... it's fun.
3. More Archery type camp outs or events.

A special Eagle Candidate/Life to Eagle Mentor meeting was conducted and a follow-up email was sent to the Scout with a courtesy copy to all parties involved to rule out any misunderstandings of the various topics covered. We still have one outstanding Eagle/Check-Up BOR to go (Nicholas H.).

\*\*Mrs. Fanning asked what period the advancement report covers and Mrs. Mobley explained the time frame.

\*\*Mrs. Mobley added that since she sent this report they have had an eagle candidate BOR with Nicholas Hundley and his father.

**Chaplain- No Report.**

**Training- VACANT**

**Scout Parent Coordinator- No report**

\*\*Mrs. Ciesla commented that the troop has a critical need to fill position, especially the training coordinator so that we can re-charter successfully. She is going to continue to contact adults.

### **Discussion Items:**

- ❖ Brian A. Wentworth Memorial Fund- Mr. Wentworth was present and spoke to the committee about his wishes for the fund. He provided an outline that his family has generated in regards to the purpose, qualifications of candidates, desired attributes, and other requirements for the recipient. His hopes are that the fund will be used in memory of Brian and what was important to him in scouting. It is designed as an impetus for scouts to demonstrate leadership skills. Mrs. Wentworth would like a written essay from the recipient upon completion of summer camp so that it may be included in a memorial book that the family maintains. Mrs. Conerly stated that the adult leaders are working on fine-tuning specific details. Some suggestions that the committee discussed are as follows:
  - Quarterly nominations
  - Use of the fund
  - Investment
  - Qualifications and definitions of leadership
  - There will be a meeting on 2/22 @ 7PM where a committee will convene to set parameters. Mrs. Conerly, Mrs. Mobley, and Mrs. Duncan volunteered to sit on the committee.
- ❖ Moon pie fundraiser- Mr. Lodes stated that the orders have been submitted and he is waiting for delivery. Sales totaled \$1485 with 11 boys selling. Mr. Lodes was slightly disappointed with the product, but he felt the price point was good. He suggested that it might be worthwhile to find another product that is similar in nature. Mrs. Farmer commented to the SPL that for future fundraisers the scouts will need to be more involved in planning and organizing.
- ❖ The anonymous donation for summer camp was discussed at last months' meeting. Mrs. Farmer will bring sample of applications to next months meeting.
- ❖ DAM Award- (District Award of Merit) Mrs. Farmer would like committee members to fill out nomination forms and return them to her or Mrs. Conerly

- ❖ Boy Scouter of the Year- This is an award for an adult nominee who may have held any position within the troop. It is another award based on noteworthy service. Nominations are due by roundtable (March 17<sup>th</sup>)
- ❖ Donation for 2011 summer camp- There has been an anonymous donation of \$260.00 made to the troop. There were no specifics on the use. Mrs. Fanning suggested that the adult leaders who are attending Camp Raven Nob decide whether they would like to accept a portion of the donation to help subsidize their camping costs. Mrs. Duncan made a motion to distribute the donation evenly among the adults attending Camp Raven Nob to help cover their costs, and that any person may decline the award whereas the funds will be divided among the remaining adults. Mrs. Chappell seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- ❖ Journey to Excellence- Mr. Lodes is developing a report that the SPL will review monthly in order to check the troop's progress. One area of concern is making sure that all adults are properly trained. Committee members must complete Youth Protection Training, This Is Scouting, Fast Start for Boy Scouts, and Troop Committee Challenge. These are offered online. Mrs. Duncan made a motion that all adults complete all available online training for their positions before their applications are submitted to the council. Mrs. Mobley seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- ❖ WDW Grant- the committee still needs to consider possible uses for this money. One new suggestion was using the money to help pay for CDL training for the volunteer drivers. This item has been tabled for the next meeting.
- ❖ Troopmaster- There is a new web version. It requires installation on one administrative computer but may be accessed from any computer with internet. The information will remain online only to those with access. The cost is \$60.00 per year. Mrs. Mobley made a motion to purchase the program. Mrs. Fanning seconded the motion and all were in favor. Mr. and Mrs. Conerly will purchase the program for the troop.
- ❖ Mr. Auerbach discussed the ordering options and costs of fuel for the backpacking stoves. The most cost effective option is to purchase the stove with the fuel. Mr. Auerbach made a motion to spend \$100.00 to purchase 50 stoves with fuel. Mrs. Payne seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- ❖ Mr. Conerly announced that he will be stepping down as scoutmaster. Mr. Lodes will be filling the position. Mr. Conerly will still serve the troop as the chartered organization representative. He plans to remain as active as possible and hopes to fill the training coordinator position. This will go into effect as of April 2. Mrs. Conerly will be stepping down as an assistant scoutmaster but plans to continue in her role as treasurer.

Meeting adjourned at 9: 23 PM

Next meeting Tuesday, February 8, 2011 @ 7 pm