

Boy Scouts of America  
Troop 270  
*Doug Moore, Scoutmaster*

Minutes of Committee Meeting 01/17/2013

In attendance were Linda Jenkins, Michael McVeigh, Doug Moore, Ray and Nick Beckwith, Jim Grace, Steve McGuffey, David Whittlesey, Mark Gediman, Stan Dery, and your ever lovin' Man About Town, Robin E. Woolsey.

1. Minutes from the last Committee Meeting were approved with only one dissent from yours truly since he did not prepare them.

2. Treasurer's Report – Between the checking account, petty cash, cash and checks not deposited, Council Store Account balance, Stater Bros. Scrip cards and gas cards we have \$12,574.43. Of that amount, \$2,277.41 represents funds collected and allocated to Northern Tier, \$670.98 is in the Boy Accounts, \$1,840.00 is in the Eagle Scout Account (belonging essentially to one boy), \$2,819.11 in the Scholarship Account, \$1,690.15 in the Scout Scrip Account, \$384.99 is in the gas fund (including the gas cards already purchased) and \$355.21 in the trailer account. This leaves \$2,536.58 in useable funds, but I believe re-charter funds in the amount of \$1,238.00 may still be due. If that is the case, our useable unallocated funds are \$1,298.58. Despite a few snags, re-charter is essentially complete. There are a few adult leaders whose Youth Protection has expired and needs to be retaken online. Three were identified that Robin will harass for this. Linda will take care of the others.

3. Summer Camp – The Committee voted on Lost Valley, located east of San Diego and south of Julian as the Summer Camp for 2013. The Troop needs a trained leader in charge of this Summer Camp. Yours Truly may be able to go for half a week and split it with another leader who is determining whether he can go, but we need a trained leader to take charge of this Summer Camp. All weeks are open and the Committee selected July 7 to July 13<sup>th</sup>. A \$200.00 deposit is needed and the first payment is technically due February 1<sup>st</sup>, but we need to determine what boys will be going and obtain money from their parents. The cost for Summer Camp is \$375.00 for the boys and \$185.00 for the adults. The Committee decided that a \$125.00 initial payment is due by February 11<sup>th</sup> and once we know how many boys are going by the deposits received, we can make the reservations. The additional payment of \$125.00 each will be due April 1<sup>st</sup> and April 15<sup>th</sup> as required by Lost Valley. This money is non-refundable per Lost Valley, so if a boy decides not to go, he must pay the additional funds or find a replacement.

4. Merit Badge Counselors – Ray Beckwith has the information concerning Merit Badge Counselors in the Troop's adult leadership and also has the parent information sheets for potential new Merit Badge Counselors. All Merit Badge Counselors must go through a training session and we are attempting to get Christy Anderson from Council to attend the 2/11/13 regular meeting and provide the training. This will be discussed at Court of Honor.

5. Adult Leader Training – Mark Gediman has been working on a list of adult leaders, positions they hold and training completed. He showed up conveniently late and I am not certain whether that list is finalized. Otherwise, Linda Jenkins will follow up with the slackers who have not completed their training except the unholy trinity that yours truly will be hounding as noted above.

6. Fundraising – Scrip is going well but greater participation would be helpful. Trisha McVeigh will again lead the Fourth of July food operation and she has it down to a science but needs an assistant to help her out. Volunteers are requested.

7. Upcoming Campouts/Events – The Committee had an extensive discussion regarding campouts for the year as we needed to fill in the blanks.

- a. February 2013: Joshua Tree is on schedule for February 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> with Bob Cullen in charge.
  - b. March 2013: The March campout will be from the 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> at Hole In the Wall which is near Kelso and the now closed Mitchell Caverns in the Mojave National Preserve. Yours Truly has seemed to end up in charge of this but I plan on deputizing Duffy Exon as he is well familiar with the area.
  - c. April 2013: The April campout has been moved to April 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> and will be either a shooting campout or Civil War Re-enactment at Prado Regional Park. There remains some questions regarding the necessary NRA training and cost of the campout for those boys getting the rifle shooting or shotgun merit badges and those who are not. Steve McGuffy is getting further information and a final decision will be made in the near future whether to go forward with the shooting campout or instead go to the Civil War Re-enactment at Prado.
  - d. May 2013: The Fiesta Island excursion is May 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> and led by Rick Pfadt and Ray Beckwith. I believe Stan Dery is working on the application process. This campout, while open to all scouts is geared in particular for those boys going to Northern Tier.
  - e. June 2013: June 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> is the Sycamore Canyon Bicycle Camping trip. I have no information other than that Bob Cullen is in charge.
  - f. July 2013: There will be no campout in July as we have both Summer Camp from July 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> and Northern Tier from July 25<sup>th</sup> – August 4<sup>th</sup>.
  - g. August 2013: No August campout had been planned but the Committee decided to go forward with one August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> at Bluebird, which is located in the Angeles National Forrest. This campout will probably include a hike to the top of Mt. Baden – Powell. Yours Truly will attempt to shame a new parent into taking charge of this easy campout.
  - h. September 2013: The September campout will be at Big Bear Lake for fishing and camping. Mark Gediman has been drafted for this despite much wailing and gnashing of teeth.
  - i. October 2013: The October campout will be from the 4<sup>th</sup> to the 6<sup>th</sup> as that is the new moon weekend and the amateur astronomers will be out. We need a new parent to take charge of this and your ever helpful Man About Town will assist, including how to make reservations at the right campsites in the right campground.
  - j. November 2013: The November campout will be Afton Canyon from the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup>. We need a leader to take charge of this.
  - k. December 2013: Finally, in December, the Troop will take a day trip to Exposition Park to the L.A. County Museums and Stan Dery has generously offered to lead this.
8. Website - Speaking of Stan, he continues in his fine work on the website. Please be certain to take a look at the new slideshow on the photo page. Stan has outdone himself once again.

9. Court of Honor – Coming up on January 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Next Committee Meeting – March 12, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Be there or be square.



Robin Woolsey, M.A.T., Recording Secretary