<u>Boy Scouts of America</u> <u>Troop 270</u> Doug Moore, Scoutmaster

Minutes of Committee Meeting, July 13, 2010

In attendance were **THE SCOUTMASTER** (aka Doug Moore) Michael McVeigh, Stan Dery, Jim Grace, David Whittlesey, Randy Hughes, Ray Beckwith, Don Herweck, Rick Pfadt, Lisa Pfadt, Robin Woolsey, and, if you will pardon the expression, Lou Leonardi.

1. <u>Treasurer's Report.</u> With our checking account, petty cash and cash and checks not yet deposited, we have a total of \$4,387.33. Additionally, we have a Council store balance of \$299.45 for a total of \$4,514.98 in assets. We have \$846.07 remaining to be collected for summer camp and of the total assets \$542.63 is allocated to Sea Base 2012. \$1,097.78 to the Boy Accounts, \$765.85 is in the scholarship account and \$489.94 in the gas fund. \$280.37 is allocated to funds collected for Summer Camp 2011 at Cherry Valley and this leaves us with unallocated funds available of \$1,510.21. The Committee noted that there are arrearages on certain boys' dues. Those boys who are no longer in the Troop will be dropped and the other active boys who have not paid their dues cannot be re-registered until they pay up. We also have one adult who owes camping fees for two campouts in 2009 and one campout in 2010. Another boy owes camping fees for the Civil War campout in April.

2. We have 3 boys awaiting their Eagle Board of Review. They are Aric, Nino and Nick. Derrick completed his Board of Review and his Court of Honor is on July 23rd. All four boys are now 18 years of age and will need to be re-registered as adults. Stan will update the Eagle list on the wall of the Scouthouse.

3. <u>Outings</u>: Sequoia had to be cancelled again due to weather and snow in the campground. There was some discussion of scheduling it next year in June or July, but a 3 day weekend is needed and Labor Day will not work. The Aviation Merit Badge Program at Flabob was a success with many merit badges awarded. The trip to the Midway Aircraft Carrier in San Diego was a success although lightly attended. Five boys went to Foxfire and Buckskin. 16 boys and adults are scheduled to go on the bike campout. Scoutmaster Dougie is in charge of Summer Camp at Whitsett and David Mendoza is in charge of the Sheriff's Rodeo in September.

4. Next Troop Court of Honor is scheduled for 9/17/10 and Derrick is having his Eagle Court of Honor on 7/23/10.

5. Fourth of July food sales were a roaring success thanks to Betty and Debbie who did a fine job and almost certainly will be clamoring to do it again next year. The Troop made a profit of \$580.00. As to other fundraising activities, Mary Valdes is to schedule an adult meeting for those families interested in a scrip program. Sondra Callahan will chair the popcorn program again and as a reminder 100% of the profits go to the boys.

6. Historic Merit Badges. Thanks again to Brian Callahan, Ray Beckwith, Rick Pfadt and Stan Dery for volunteering to be counselors. The boys have the requirements and it is up to them to complete them. So far, one boy has completed Carpentry and three have finished Pathfinding.

7. Stan is working on the expiration dates for each adult's Youth Protection, Safety Afloat, First Aid, etc. and will pass it on to Betty so she can compile it into her report.

8. Ray will order long sleeve Class B shirts the next time he orders regular t-shirts. Ray checked and the cost will be about \$12.00 per shirt.

9. New outside picnic table. As David Whittlesey has failed miserably in trying to line up a new table by way of donation or otherwise, he has found a \$119.00 fold up table at Costco. The Committee unanimously authorized him to purchase the table and he will be reimbursed if we feel like it. We still may continue to look at putting a concrete table in back if we can get one donated.

10. Leader training. It appears that only **THE SCOUTMASTER** need to go to training so we can be re-chartered. It appears that it is not necessary for the Committee Chair to attend.

11. If the boy in charge of the troop meeting game does not show up, we need a fallback plan with a notation on what game is to be played and the rules. This will be on the PLC weekly plan.

12. Rick Pfadt had proposed getting the second restroom (now used as a storage closet) operational for next July 4 so we can have two restrooms going and try to cut down on the lines. We have approval to proceed and the Committee authorized Rick to begin to look into this. Rick's proposal is that it be a project for the boys to do with adult supervision as it will provide them experience in carpentry, plumbing, flooring, etc. Once completed, it can be used again for storage until it is opened up for next July 4th.

13. We have a new merit badge counselor, Mary Moore (**MRS. THE SCOUTMASTER**) but I never did find out what merit badge she signed up for but will know once Michael McVeigh gets an updated counsel list and Betty prepares the Troop counselor list. In the meantime, if anybody wants to know, they should ask **THE SCOUTMASTER**.

14. Eagle Scouts can get a formal portrait taken for free at Council for display on the Eagle Scout Honor Wall at the Council offices. If they want their own copy of this picture, there is a fee (amount unknown). Don Herweck has additional information.

15. Our next street cleanup is on 9/11/10 and following the cleanup the adults will meet at the Scout House to discuss 2011 campout ideas. The Committee had a long discussion about the low turnouts that have been experienced on campouts recently and ways to fix it. It was decided that new camping areas needed to be explored and the campouts publicized more by way of fliers, discussion, etc. earlier on. Permission slips and tour permits need to be prepared well in advance too. Doug Moore (**THE SCOUTMASTER**) will prepare a check off list for volunteers who are in charge of each of the campouts. The Committee also had a long discussion regarding certain scout skills that are lacking in the boys and the possibility of a local campout for rank advancement only was discussed and will be considered when the next year's calendar is completed in September. One idea was to vary the campouts more and be creative about it.

16. Next Committee meeting is September 14, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Robin Woolsey, your humble servant, Recording Secretary and Man About Town.

