

Troop 301 Committee Meeting

January 6, 2004 Meeting Minutes

Presiding: Tammy Smith

Attendance: Brian Turner, Cheryl Hodgeson, Kathy Sealy, Sonia McGrath, Mary Hiestand, Karen Hernandez, Joyce Hallaway, Steve Henry, Gerard Van Deursen, Demi Singleton, Linda Corredor

Minutes from the December 2 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Financial Report – Distributed by Mrs. Hallaway. Scout reports are available. A few scouts have not paid for the winter merit badge weekend.

Advancements

- Mrs. Hiestand reported four BORs were held in December. Discussion was raised with regard to BORs and whether they can fail the scout. It was stated that while the BOR is not a pass/fail review, the Board can choose to postpone the BOR if the scout is not prepared.
- The March Court of Honor will be on Monday, March 22, 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm at the Sugar Land Community Center. The COH needs a host.
- Merit Badge partials to be held at Mr. Turner's house on Tuesday, January 13 at 7:30 pm.
- First Aid Team – January 31; practice on January 10
- OA Banquet – January 10

Fundraising

- Entertainment Books – Mrs. Hernandez. Prizes being distributed.
- Fertilizer Sale – Mr. Henry – Packets were distributed at the January 5 Troop meeting. Deliver of product is February 28. There will be 7 weekly prizes.

Service Hours

- Rec Center Chair/Stenciling/Branding – No new info.
- MUD Building Landscaping – can be done whenever the Troop is ready. Mr. Turner will review the calendar to set a date.
- Eagle project – Aaron Amador – building a BBQ pit for Meadows Place. The City will pay for whatever Aaron doesn't raise. Mr. Henry has looked at the brochure for the pit and stated it looked fine. The Parks Department wants something easy to clean. Aaron is building the brickwork and the pit will be dropped in.
- Scouting for Food – the Troop will deliver the food collection bags.

Activities

- February 24, Tuesday – AOL Ceremony – Troop 992. Practices to be scheduled. Scripts have been handed out. Tryouts/practice on February 10. Non-OA member can participate but not have a speaking part.
- March 6, OA Merit Badge Day – awaiting info
- March 27, Swimming and Lifesaving Merit Badge – YMCA
- April 24, Scout Fair. An inside activity would be preferable as it would be cooler.

Camping

- Merit Badge Weekend sponsored by Troop 911 – December 27 – 29. Went very well. The location and facilities were great. The organization was not that great.
- Mr. K's Campout – January 16-18 – cancelled due to a conflict. The January campout will be January 23 – 25. Location will be confirmed.
- February 21-22 – Webelos Woods, Kendalton, TX
- March 12-14 – Pack 301 AOL Campout – Camp Strake
- April 16 – 18 – Spring Camporee
- Summer Camp – Slippery Falls Scout Ranch, Tishomingo, OK – June 19 – 26, 2004. Deposits beginning in February.

Elections

- Troop elections will be moved up before many of the new boys join the Troop.
- OA elections will be on February 23 for 1st class and above.

Issues

- Oceanography Merit Badge – several dates were chosen.
 - First Choice – July 9, 10; Second Choice – July 16/17; Third Choice – July 23, 24; Fourth Choice – July 30, 31; Last Choice – March 19, 20
- Space Exploration Merit Badge – being offered at Michael's Crafts on April 17 (same day as Spring Camporee) and in Sugar Land on April 24 (same day as Scout Fair)
- MUD Building – more info forthcoming
- Recharter due on January 31; \$75 is the Troop Recharter fee. Forms were distributed at January 5 Troop meeting.

Scoutmaster Minute

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.