

Troop Committee Meeting Agenda
Thursday, October 25, 7:30 PM
St. Mark's Church Room 135

Dan called the meeting to order at 7:40pm.

Present: Committee Chair Dan Snow, Advancement Chair Jim Karas, Committee member Doug Gilg, ASM Mark Roper, SM Tom Rolfes

Not Present: Dan Shattil, Deb Carney

Discussion was held about discipline on campouts. Dan Snow encouraged the leaders and committee to develop a policy that would make clear what would happen if an incident occurs on a campout or meeting.

In general, if a disciplinary incident occurs,

1. The "victim" reports the misbehavior to the ranking boy leader. The boy leader intervenes with the involved Scouts and then reports the incident and intervention(s) to the Scoutmaster or ranking adult leader.
2. If misbehavior continues, the incident is escalated to the Scoutmaster or ranking adult leader who intervenes with the involved Scouts.
3. If misbehavior continues, the Scoutmaster will call the parent(s) and the Scout or Scouts will be removed as soon as possible from the activity or outing at the parents' expense.
4. BSA Summer Camp discipline policies supersede those of Troop 25.
5. Incidents or suspected incidents that violate the Youth Protection policies of the Boy Scouts of America are reported directly to the Cornhusker Council Scout Executive and to law enforcement, if necessary.

Minutes and Treasurer's Report – Tom Rolfes for Deb Carney/Jim Karas for Dan Shattil

Doug moved that the September minutes be approved as distributed. Jim seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Jim Karas distributed the Treasurer's report. Scouts are reminded to begin paying their 2008 dues. The fee will include a pro-rated national registration fee (~\$9), Troop 25 annual dues (\$59), and the Troop 25 equipment fee (\$35) [for only the first three years of paid membership in the troop].

The committee needs to complete their canoe and trailer purchase as soon as possible and then report back to the St. Mark's Foundation Committee.

Madeline Arnold will assist with Holiday wreath sales. Sales must occur in early November.

Advancement Report/Rechartering - Jim Karas

Jim reported that rechartering must be completed by November 17, 2007.

Scoutmaster Report

- Haunted Woods Volunteers, Oct. 26-28—Joseph Roper will assist on Friday night; Trent and Ty Carney will assist.
- 2008 Pinewood Derby - recruit volunteers/car show?
- Dan Snow announced that we need a coordinator for the Derby. Any interested volunteers should contact Dan.
- Summer Camp July 13-19; (866 miles, 13 hrs):
Overnight lodging (Casper, Wyoming, 635 miles, 9 hrs) We will seek overnight lodging in Casper, Wyoming.
- We anticipate doing an independent high adventure trip, some Buffalo Bill high adventure, and then the main camp activities during the summer camp week.
- Venture Crew 25: Venture Training is on November 3 at the OEC. Dan Snow and Tom Rolfes will attend. A presentation will be made to the St. Mark's pastors to discuss the possibility of forming a co-educational Venture Crew.
- Canoe/Trailer Purchase: Tom will re-present the Troop 25 offer to the Troop 2 canoe committee.
- 2008 High Adventure: Boundary Waters trip and Wyoming backpacking trip must be planned as soon as possible. Troop 2 has once again secured an option for a Philmont Trek for 2008. Some older Scouts may be interested.
- Pack, Troop, Crew Websites: Troop 25 has paid the annual hosting and domain naming fee (www.bsatroop25.org) from Lincoln Web Design and has investigated linking the Pack and Crew to the Troop website.

November calendar:

- 1 Trevor Brass Eagle SM conference
- 1 Salt Valley District Roundtable (rechartering)
- 3 Venture Training
- 3 1:30pm-5:30pm S.O.S. VIII--HyVee, 69th & O
- 5 Troop Meeting
- 9-11 Leadership Training—Camp Cedars
- 11 Veteran's Day FLAG DUTY
- 12 Troop Meeting
- 15 Adult Committee Meeting
- 19 Troop Meeting
- 26 PLC

Meeting was adjourned at 9:40pm.

Minutes recorded by Tom Rolfes, Scoutmaster