

Boy Scouts of America – Troop # 324

Meeting Minutes – Parent Meeting 2-20-06

Attendees: Brian Hill, Ken Mason, Glen Carney, Renee Jalowiec, Jerry Weinstock, Sherri Conklin, Doug Butcher, Ron Dado, Bob Shulman, Hal Weintrub, Steve Arkin, BJ Leonard, Steven Geiger, Jon Appleby, Kelly Rotert, Mark Wehmeyer, Susan Beauchaine, Marilyn Golub, Donna Fye, Scott Smith, Bob Welchlin, Eddie Hulse, Bill Kelm, Jeff Siler, David Dickey, Lori Hill

1. Meeting Called to Order at 7:15 pm by Jeff Siler (slight delay because church door locked due to holiday).
2. Friends of Scouting Presentation: Assistant District Commissioner Red Tail Hawk District Council Representative spoke regarding Friends of Scouting program. Goal is for each scout family to donate \$140, which will meet goal of \$2,352. Hope everyone will join in supporting Boy Scouts of America program.
3. Wood Badge Presentation. Steven Geiger. This is a fabulous training program for adults and will have a tremendous impact on the troop. In addition, the training is good for other aspects of life besides boy scouts; you would pay thousands if you attended this type of training through your employer. Handout re the five central themes of Wood Badge. One sixth of the class is women. No one ever says they wished they waited to take this program – so don't put it off. Sign-up sheet for classes circulated.
4. Eagle Badge Presentation. Reed Weinstock. Electronic Entertainment Drive for Homeless Shelter. Reed asked for donation of electronics. Needs drivers to help with collection and distribution, March 25 and April 1. Sign-up sheet circulated.
5. Troop Policies, Procedures, and Issues. .
 - Renae Jalowiec recognized. Jeff Siler presented award to Renae Jalowiec for Outstanding Committee Member. Her services are greatly appreciated.
 - Senior Patrol Leader Elections. If scout wants to apply, needs to go to web site for leadership position application. Preference, if all else is equal, will go to scout whose application was received first.
 - Order of Arrow Elections. Elections are coming up next meeting – Monday, February 27. It is imperative that we have enough scouts in attendance at that meeting to hold the election.

- Cub Scout Den Chief Needed. Glenn Carney's cub scout troop has opening.
- Browsea National Youth Leader Training Program – Issue of whether the troop should provide a stipend or pay part of the tuition for this program. Glenn Carney spoke to the value of the program. Scouts who have done this report it is very valuable. It is intended for scouts about to be patrol leaders or who have done so once. Families in the past have paid for their sons. Discussion of whether the troop should help with the expense, selection process, limit on number of participants, chairs with backs as reward for completion. Agreed troop supports this program and agreed that funding for a portion of the program should be made available. Glenn will layout options for how many and what level of scout it should be available to.
- Scout Sunday is February 26. Sunday, February 26 is Scout Sunday at Christ Lutheran Church, where our troop meets. This annual event is an opportunity to give back to our sponsor. Everyone is invited. Adult leaders and boys should wear their full class A uniform and especially any religious awards that have been earned. Volunteers should arrive 20 minutes early. The schedule of volunteers is below; we still have open spots for scout volunteers! Hal Weintrub, troop chaplain, Paul Drown, chartered organization representative, and Steven Geiger, Scout Sunday co-organizer will be present during the morning.

	8:15	9:35	11:00
Acolyte	Adam Shulman	Church Usher	Luke Brettmann
Crucifer	Hayes Carpenter	Peter Colletti	Ben Appleby
Usher Helper			Derrick Hill
Usher Helper			Matthew Siler
Door Greeter			Ryan Jalowiec
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6. Advancement. Kathy Wehmeyer (represented by Mike Wehmeyer). Kathy will provide a spreadsheet of merit badge cards and rank advancement. Deadline to turn in materials to have badges or ranks included in it is March 6. The next court of honor is at the end of March. Final court of honor is in June at the picnic.
7. High Adventure. Phil Winegardner not present; nothing to report.
8. Summer Camp. Ron Dado. Six full-time adults have signed up for camp. Those adults intending to attend part-time will have a deadline to sign up in late March.

9. Campout Calendar. Ken Mason

- February - Kansas Cosmosphere. Trip was successful; very positive feedback.
- March – Elmdale, Kansas YMCA Camp. 20 min SW of Emporia. Will be able to earn the horsemanship merit badge. Need money tonight.
- April – Will not be in Lonestar; will camp at Pioneer Trail, which will negatively impact time on service project. Two mile hike to Lonestar.
- May – bicycle trip at Katy trail.

10. Recruitment. Jon Appleby. Thirteen boys joined us. Scouts say they are going to the troop of their den chief. We are losing den chiefs, which will negatively impact recruiting. To prevent this, want to have scouts talk at the meeting about being a den chief, keep scouts in troop active as den chiefs.

11. Adult Training. Mike Wehmeyer. End of April training; handout provided. As troop parents operate as a committee, want to provide training to all, will be in the auditorium. April 29 Assistant Scoutmaster/Scoutmaster training. Signup sheets for both circulated.

12. Community Service. Kelly Rotert. Three hour service opportunity at the Church of Resurrection conflicts with horsemanship campout, so Kelly will look for other opportunities.

13. Quartermaster Report. Doug Butcher. Nothing to report.

14. Treasurer Report. Bill Kelm.

- Annual Registration Fee. There is a Secondary Obligation that will be billed to each family individually in late April, due May 22. It is possible to meet the obligation with fundraising, but he hasn't heard anyone planning to do this.
- Bartle. A \$6,020 payment must be made to the Council for Bartle in late April, so will collect payments between March 17 and April 17. By April 17 Bartle should be paid for. For our troop this totals \$15,000.

15. Secretary Report. Nothing to report.

16. Next Parent Meeting April 24. There is no parent meeting in March.

Meeting Adjourned.