



Troop 892 Committee Meeting

Call to Order: 6:30pm April 14, 2015

In Attendance: Scoutmaster Lou Tavares, Committee Chair Rich Flagg, Rick Nelson, Stan Karbowski, Cal Sweep, Jeanie Hoelscher, Tiffany Wagner, Carla Beisker, James Conomea, and Deb McDonald.

- Suwannee Camp Out 4/24/15 - 4/26/15
 - As of 4/20/15-33 total going
 - Do we need to borrow canoes
 - We have enough Canoes and Kayaks
 - Chris will buy food and cook/ Jerry will help fairy vehicles with Chris
 - 2 Eagle Scouts, Jason Nichols and Wesley Batey, may go on trip, lend boys their Eagle scout experience
 - Troop is tent camping Fri. night, sleeping in elevated tent like structures Sat., gear will be trucked to each days locations
 - Scoutmaster Lou will send out list of what boys need to bring, how trip will operate etc.
- May Events
 - Most adult leaders will be at OA Camp Out (5/15/15-5/17/15) making May campout difficult
 - Proposed and voted to skip May campout as not enough adult leaders to do both
 - Proposed and voted for an alternate activity for scouts not going on OA campout on 5/16/15:
 - First Class Cooking for 15's and any scouts who need it (have 15s shop for food as well)
 - Rich will follow up on possibility of CPR class with Jonathon at a later date
 - Elections will take place
 - Committee will function like board of review to consider applicants for positions of ASPL
 - Probably will be held on a non-meeting night due to amount of time required
 - Current leaders finish out this year thru summer camp, new leaders start in fall
 - However, will need to have some fill-ins during summer camp
- June Event
 - Discussed whether to do a camping trip in addition to summer camp or a friends of scouting event that would be family friendly
 - Proposed and voted to do family friendly event of tubing at Ichetuckee Springs on 6/6/15
 - Voted to do midway route because get more actual time on the river
 - Voted to cook/tailgate lunch there
- June Meetings
 - Regular Meeting on the 1st
 - 8th will be Court of Honor, end of year and flag retirement ceremony
 - Discussed location either church or Camp Chowenwa, voted to hold it at the church
- Summer Camp
 - All Medical forms due to Carla by May 18th Meeting!
 - Initial \$100 summer camp payments are all in

- o Next summer camp related email to go out is re: summer camp extracurricular amounts due, as most badges/ activities have an extra fee
 - o Last summer camp payment due by June 1st
 - o Summer Camp Parent Meeting planned for 5/30/15@3:30-Church
 - o Will be pairing up adults in vehicles to conserve gas
 - o We have 2 campsites at Pine Ridge
 - o There will be an early contingent that leaves with the trailers, everybody else to leave later
 - o Rich will have troop plan for travel and info. to check troop in. Mike A. will check Troop in at Medical Station
 - o Discussion on departure for camp date
 - Usually leave Sat. to avoid having to rush, but there does not appear to be much else close by to do and then have to pay extra night's food, camping etc.
 - Voted to leave Sun. morning instead 6/21/15
 - Will have check-in stations for gear etc. Sat. 6/20/15 at 3:00pm
 - o 6 people doing mountain man, more than 5 requires an adult so John Whitaker said he will do if needed
 - o Dinner proposed for adults that go to summer camp upon return –discussion tabled for later
- New Committee Positions
- o Rich Flagg- New Committee Chair
 - o Secretary -Deb McDonald has agreed to take on this position
 - Will ensure documentation of everything discussed at meeting
 - Will email minutes out
 - o Training Coordinator -James Conomea: (new dad that transferred from 482 w/ 2 sons joining troop) has agreed to take on this position
 - Will monitor training to ensure all adults have completed required training
 - Will keep track of Youth Protection training to keep people up to date
 - Provide updates of upcoming adult leader training being offered throughout the year
 - o John has agreed to attend roundtables for the Troop, but may need others to fill in periodically and always good for those who can attend to do so
- New Committee Meeting Day
- o New meeting day needed to avoid conflict with Pack committee meeting as new secretary, Deb McDonald, is also a den leader with the pack
 - o Proposed and voted to move committee meeting to first Tues. of the month starting in May
 - o Next meeting will be May 5, 2015
- Scoutmaster conferences and Board of Reviews
- o Scouts are to email Scoutmaster to set up a SM conference
 - o When SM conference complete, then scout is to email Rick/ Lou to set up a Board of Review
- Troop Webpage
- o Discussion on ways to improve troop webpage
 - o Proposal of switching to Troop Master but some difficulties with large group emails and spam bots
 - o Regardless of program used there is a need to revise who has access to what email lists and Webmaster Jeanie Hoelscher will revise that, with only the SM, Committee Chair and Officers able to send to all
 - o Would like to make site easier to use/ get into, fix calendar, email system and keep dues payments, but perhaps move photos to FB
 - o Final decision on what to do with webpage tabled to allow Webmaster time to research options
 - o Scout Luke Chop (Scout Webmaster) to update calendar
 - o Webmaster will create 2 email groups:
 - One to include Luke and his father Nick for communication about what is needed from him regarding Calendar/ website

- And one for parents to be able to reach the leadership with questions (leaders@892.com)
- Treasurer
 - Looking to start a different account but need to talk to BofA about possibility of waiving certain fees usually associated with the savings accounts
- Additional Fundraising Opportunity
 - Rick Nelson brought up an opportunity that Kelly Lotze approached him with
 - The Church has graciously offered the food vending portion of their Craft Fair (to be held 9/26/15) solely to the troop because of all the troop does for the church
 - Voted to accept their offer and run all the food ourselves
 - Lou and Rich met with new Pastor and Church committee and informed them that we will provide food at Craft Fair-will discuss what food at later meeting
 - Church agreed to give us large portion of wall in Education Building to display Troop Bulletin Board (pictures, etc.) and Eagle Plaque
 - Church gave green light to start fire ring and walk way behind Scout Shed-will discuss at another meeting

Next Meeting: Tues. May 5th, 2015 at 6:30pm at Crossroads Lutheran