

Troop Committee 1/4/09

Present: Michelle Roddy, Sandra Y'Barbo, Daree Stracke, Don Sanford, Wendy Valley, Mike Zarella, Pat Smith, David Gibson, Lisa Gerdes, John Landry

Meeting opened at 4:10

New Parent's meeting is scheduled for 1/25/09. We will give our Troop handbooks and summer camp information. There are 20-30 new Scouts coming in January and February. Pack 1333 will crossover in February.

There was discussion by John Landry on shelving for the new trailer build out. The wire shelves he has looked into are adjustable and light weight. Lowes and Home Depot carry only one size. We will build out to 24" on one side and 18" on the other. It will cost \$750-\$800 to order the shelving online. It comes in 4ft. width with a 63"-64" height. Tables can go at the front of the trailer. The project will cost \$1000-\$1200 including shock cords and accessories.

Our tentative calendar is as follows:

January camp out is at Kaiserhof with cooking as the theme.

February camp out is at Trinity Lutheran and the theme is computers.

March 2nd is the scheduled date for the garage sale at Klein Oak.

March 6-8 camp out is at Brazos Bend.

April 15th is the date for Scout Fair.

May campout will also be COH picnic at Spring Creek park.

The boys have decided that they prefer to do the garage sale as the fundraiser instead of the Spring Festival at Trinity Lutheran.

Troop elections will be held in February.

Daree will reserve the room for the parent's meeting.

Treasurer's report:

There is only \$12 outstanding for popcorn sale. David Gibson will check at SHAC headquarters for the \$809 refund we have due from Cockrell River Camp for overpayment. We have registered 62 boys including Venture Crew which has 10 boys. We are doing better at camp outs in controlling and assessing cost.

Kaiserhof needs work done. There are title issues needing to be worked out. The back lot with the access that we currently use is part of that title work. We need to help with the improvements and make sure we have input into all of the work being done.

There are two boxes of Kettle Corn missing from our popcorn order and David Gibson will look into that for us.

BOR's were increased in December. The next one is January 11th and there are 10 requests so far. Can we try to revise the scheduling system to better serve the boys?

Life to Eagle report:

Next meeting is on 1/20 from 7-9PM. We have 15-20 Life Scouts. Carver Ray's Eagle COH is on January 11th from 2-3PM. Sandy would like to pair the boys up with the older Scouts as mentors. Maybe we can assign an adult mentor to each of these boys. We had to reschedule one L to E meeting due to Ike in September. There is a new part to the application process we want to know about. Mrs. Trimble mentioned it. Can we get the Venture Crew to help with this program? We will talk to Stan to work on this. Mike will send out another email about this.

We have qualified for the World Unit and the Centennial award. Mike has a table reserved at the Polaris District dinner. We need two more attendees. Wendy and Daree will check their schedules. It is 1/24 at Lakewood at 5:30PM. We asked whether it was too late to nominate anyone for an award. The deadline has passed for that.

The next COH will be in February on the 22nd.

Daree has made reservations for the following:

January – Kaiserhof – special cooking

February – Trinity Lutheran - computers

March – Brazos Bend – hiking, orienteering (32 allowed, but could go up to 40 in the youth group area)

April – April – Los Pines

May – Spring Creek Park

June – Bastrop

July – Camp Hale

August – Lake Somerville

We need to go ahead and book ERock way in advance or we will not be able to go there.

We have also won the Philmont lottery and will have 2 groups of 10 + 2 adults with each group.

IOLS training is at Spring Woods church next weekend.

Meeting adjourned at 5:35PM.