

Troop 34 Committee Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2011

Attendees: Eric Voss, Don Robert, June Stoll, Trina Schollmeier Matt Vance

Apologies: Faith Keller, John Masters

Order of Business

1. Treasurer's Report – Don Robert

The committee approved the Troop's financial record for the past month and discussed the needs of the Troop for the upcoming year based on estimates of cost per scout per year. The agreed initial estimate of \$94 per month Troop cost (for all scouts) was accepted by the committee. This is subject to change and will be periodically re-assessed by the Treasurer.

The Scout Accounts are all fully updated to reflect the Scout's use of credit accrued for payments of dues, where used, and are available to view.

The treasurer also reported that the Sea Base fees were up-to-date, both for the troop and individually.

2. Scoutmaster's Report – John Masters

2.1 Current Troop Roster

It was requested that a full and up-to-date roster of the Troop be made available to the committee members.

2.2 Summer Camp 2011

All transportation has been arranged based on the numbers registered. The troop collected enough money within the cost of the camp to cover gas and meals for the outbound trip and return.

In total there are 15 scouts and 5 adults registered to attend:

Devin Laramie, Jacob Burroughs, Joshua Burroughs, Ben Robert, John Schollmeier, Jay Schollmeier, James Ariail, Grant Berkbigler, Wyatt Henning, Dane Aerne-Moore, Matt Lawhead, Jacob Mulvehill, Derek Gorsage, Diego Rodriguez, Rafael Rodriguez
Bev Laramie, Don Robert, John Masters, Cheryl Hennig, Jenny Mulvehill.

- 2.3 Glen Carbon Memorial Day Services
All three services were well attended by the scouts and their families. Pat Ripley received a presentation at the Oaklawn cemetery for beautifying the area with his Eagle project work.

3. Committee Chairman's Report – Eric Voss

- 3.1 Committee Positions
Cheryl Hennig has accepted the position of Outdoor/Activities coordinator and Linda Lawhead has accepted the position of ScoutParent coordinator.
- The troop still needs a Training coordinator, and in the future will require an Advancement chair. The committee has been asked to consider possible candidates and forward a shortlist at the next meeting for these important roles.
- 3.2 Scout Requested Activities
The May 2011, PLC generated a number of ideas for activities that they would like to have included in the next Scouting year. They included; Kickball /Capture the flag with Troop 216, City Museum, Upper Limit (after scouting for food again)
- 3.3 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Training
The district has scheduled a position specific training course for September 10th.
- 3.4 Glen Carbon Homecoming Parade
The parade was well attended by the Troop.
- 3.5 Troop Calendar
The 2011/2012 calendar of events will be generated at the July 12th Committee meeting. This will be the main topic on the agenda and will be held a week earlier than usual due to a conflict with Sea Base.

4. Advancement Coordinators Report – Faith Keller

- 4.1 Scout Advancements
No advancements were reported for this period.
- 4.2 Order of the Arrow Election
OA eligibility has been assessed and Troop 34 has two scouts and one adult who qualify:

Diego Rodriguez, John Schollmeier, Eric Freese

These names were submitted for vote at the April 25th Troop meeting.

4.3 Eagle Project Review – Alex Komeshak and Pat Ripley

Both scouts worked on their Eagle projects in May and were able to complete them. The work days were well attended by Troop scouts and adults.

5. Merit Badge Coordinator's Report – Matt Vance

Matt has expressed a need for a full listing of scouts and the Merit Badges they are currently working on. A Merit Badge Policy document has been generated and is awaiting approval from the Committee prior to issue this month which outlines expectations of both scouts and the counselors.

The Aviation Merit badge field trips were very successful and well attended. The trip to Scott Air Force Base served as a reminder of the importance of permission slip distribution prior to an event. It is felt that the parents need to be reminded that the forms are available on our website and should be completed prior to the trip.

6. Quartermaster's Report – Matt Vance

Matt has assessed troop supplies with the intention of establishing three separate patrol camping supplies. It is estimated that it would cost around \$1000 to fully equip three patrols. Due to present budget constraints it was decided to postpone this expenditure. A scout Quartermaster, once elected, will work with Matt to further assess the quality and condition of current supplies with the intention of outfitting two patrols instead.

A Troop Policy has been issued for approval and subsequent use regarding Troop supplies. A copy will be sent out to all Troop members.

7. Recruitment Coordinator's Report – Eric Freese

No new items.

6. Fundraiser Coordinator's report – Trina Schollmeier

7.1 GlenFest – June 17/18

This year the Troop changed the items for sale at Glenfest, moving away from soda and trying candy, ice-pops and popcorn in addition to water. This was deemed less successful than soda sales alone. The Troop had to purchase a Food Handler License to be able to sell popcorn at \$50 for a single use. It was decided that if we are going to sell food that we should

sell bratwurst and soda at the next Glenfest. Possibly looking at a combo meal priced at around \$5. Matt Vance will contact the co-ordinator of next years event and request we are sole vendor of bratwurst at the 2012 event.

It was considered a real bonus to be without a trailer at clean-up as there was no need to wait for traffic to pass before we could leave the area. Also, it was noted that a float of \$100 min. should be available at the sales tent, but preferably \$150 - \$50 in \$1 bills, and \$100 in \$5 bills.

The Troop raised \$504.53 for the Troop account from GlenFest.

Next year, Matt would like the co-ordinator of this event to use the scouts more in planning, preparation and sales.

7.2 Papa Murpheys Pizza Card Sale

Trina has contacted Papa Murpheys in Edwardsville and they are organizing discount cards for us to sell as a Troop. Once available they will be distributed.

Also, the committee considered running a car-wash after camp but prior to school starting in conjunction with Joe's Crab Shack in Fairview Heights.

7.3 BSA Popcorn

The dates for the "Show and Sell" popcorn were released by the District. It will be available on September 8th, 2011.

Trina has booked space at Walgreens in Glen Carbon to sell popcorn on September 9th, 10th, 17th and 18th. She is waiting for Wamart to return her call regarding availability there.

Meeting adjourned at 9.20pm.

**Date of next Committee Meeting : Tuesday, July 12 , 2011
Scout Hall**

Upcoming Troop Events:

June 26/July 2 – Summer Camp

July 4 – Flags for Independence Day

July 12 – Committee Meeting (Calendar setting)

July 21-27 – Sea Base Camp