BSA TROOP 428

TROOP COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Monday, October 18, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by J. Meriano.

Present: J. Meriano, Jennings, K. Spaar, J. Wilkinson, P. Amarante, B. Day, A. Parfitt, C. Levesh, C. Meglin, M. Radulski, S. Darby & S. Fillion

The minutes from September 2010 meeting were approved as written.

1. **Treasurer’s Report:**

P. Amarante reported:

* Checking- $1,030.89
* Memorial Fund- unchanged
* P. Amarante, treasurer, to collect Summer Camp Sequassen 2011 fees
1. **Troop Website:**

K. Spaar reported:

* Upgrade of Scoutmaster to track advancement is now Web based
* J. Wilkinson will provide wreath sale information to be broadcasted by Scoutlander
* Requested S. Fillion to load Troop Committee Meeting Minutes in Scoutlander
* D. Fillion to load outdoor activities w/fees for 2010-2011 year
* B. Day will email D. Fillion final list
1. **Advancement Chairman Report:**

B. Day reported:

* + Eagle Scout progress update:
		- A. Day- waiting for Court of Honor date
		- K. Byrne – Court of Honor planned for 11/10
		- B. O’Neill- completed Eagle requirements
1. **Fund Raising Chairman Report:**

J. Wilkinson reported:

* + Candy Sale 10/9 &10/10 – discussed changing sale minimum to 3 boxes per scout
		- Candy money due by 10/20/10
	+ Wreath & poinsettia sale- each scout will sell $200 worth of wreaths and/or poinsettias
		- Forms will be distributed during 10/20 troop meeting
		- Final sales due by 11/17/10
		- Wreath & poinsettia pick up 12/3/10
		- Discussed if we can use credit card for purchases
	+ Christmas Tree Pick up- start advertising early & contact scout alumni, old customers, etc
		- Bottles and Cans- consider with Christmas Tree pick up; new facility in East Haven
	+ First Aid Kit- proposed as fourth fundraiser; no minimum purchases; free purchases; troop will receive 50% profits- tabled
	+ Jersey Mike’s- will pick a day & receive profits from sales; use for Troop fundraiser this year
		- Tabled
	+ Camp Sequassen fundraising to be determined- will apply directly to scout fee for scouts who participate
		- Tabled
	+ Light Bulb sale- no report available at this time
1. **SPL Report:**

Jay Meriano reported for upcoming troop meetings where each week troop will meet as a group & then split into patrols:

* 10/20
	+ Court of Honor
	+ Introduction of Patrols
* 10/27
	+ Opening ceremony
	+ Each patrol leaders will discuss plans for patrol
		- Work on advancement
		- Play games
	+ Flaming Stickman Patrol- will go through First Aid box
* 11/3
	+ Opening ceremony
	+ Each patrol leaders will discuss plans for patrol
		- Work on advancement
		- Play games
* 11/10
	+ Prepare for Deer Lake campout- cold weather camping
1. **Outdoor Activities Chairman Report (refer to Outdoor Activity Schedule for other activities scheduled)**:

B. Day reported:

* + All camps reserved except for Block Island
	+ Lighthouse Fall Camporee (10/15-10/18)-
		- Total 50 scouts & 30 adults participated
			* Troop 428 hosted- 23 scouts & 15 adults from Troop 428
			* 5 troops & 1 pack participated
			* Worked on Leave No Trace award
			* Plan for 10/11- Light house Park
	+ Tabor cleanup & shed cleanout 10/30/10
	+ Flag placement 11/6
	+ Camp Pomperaug- only availability is 11/12-11/14
	+ High adventure trip tentative for Thimble Island- Horse Island in November 2010
	+ Discussed High Adventure Camp 6/20-6/27- Canoe/Camp trip in the Boundary Waters, Minnesota
1. **Training Chairman Report:**

A. Parfitt reported:

* + Youth Protection Training evening at Walsh Intermediate School for leaders needing training 10/19/10 6p-9p
	+ Den Chief training- 10/30 9a-12p
	+ Merit Badge counselors need to be re-chartered
1. **Scoutmaster’s Comments:**

K. Spaar presented:

* Discussed new format for troop/patrol meetings
	+ Separate patrols meet 1-2 times monthly
	+ Allows scouts to be more accountable
	+ Job sharing
* Discussed having shed clean out with Tabor clean up
1. **Quartermaster Report:**
	* No report available.
	* Plan for shed cleanout
2. **Old Business:**
	* None discussed
3. **New Business:**
	* Ronald McDonald House Movie Night 10/23- service hours will be awarded
	* Discussed ideas to motivate scouts- Will explore programs to support BSA with Lions Club, Elks, etc
	* Discussed reinforcing dress code requirements for Board of Reviews
	* Scout Sunday in February- B. Day will query if troop mass can be hosted by Tabor Lutheran

Meeting adjourned at 8:30p. Next meeting scheduled for Monday, November 15, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Fillion

Troop 428 Secretary