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