

# Committee Meeting Minutes – April 9, 2009

Submitted by Debi Moreash

Present: Mike Mikac, Dave Pendleton, Deb Moreash, Michael Frantz, LeAnn Rickert, Mark Moorehead, James Willette, Mary Axelsen, Gary Weber, Dan Moseman, Dianne Bischel, Bob Meiers, Werner Bruckner, Sam Thompson, Heidi Hutchins, Wendy Lea

## Agenda Item 0: Eagle Project Presentation

Sam Rickert presented his Eagle project. He will be organizing the building of several percussion boxes to be donated to the Corona del Sol band room. Several parents offered suggestions and the project was approved.

## Agenda Item 1: Call to Order

The meeting was called to order.

## Agenda Item 2: Scoutmaster's Report, Dave Pendleton

Dave reported on the last PLC meeting. Dave will provide the new leadership positions and meeting plans so we can update the troop roster and calendar. Dave will be organizing the new patrol campout on May 2-3. We have two Cub Scout bridging ceremonies to attend in April and Dave wants to make sure we have Scouts and adult leaders in attendance.

## Agenda Item 3: Treasurer's Report, James Willette

James Willette announced that he estimates 25-27 Scouts will be attending summer camp this summer and taking advantage of the \$100 stimulus package. Tim McCormick gave James a check for \$6,000 for proceeds from the garage sale fundraiser. As soon as those who participated have checked the spreadsheet of everyone's hours, the total proceeds will be divided amongst the participants based on number of hours worked.

## Agenda Item 4: Advancement Report, Michael Frantz

May 5 is our final Court of Honor for the year. The committee agreed that Mexican food will be served since it is Cinco de Mayo. Mike Mikac offered to help with the food and will ask for help from another parent. Thanks, Mike! We will ask for a \$1 per person donation to help cover food costs; the troop will pay for the rest. The dinner will start at 6:30. Mary will make sure the church is available at that time and that we can use the kitchen.

Michael announced that the deadline for submitting any advancement or merit badge records to him is April 24 at 3 pm and the last night for Boards of Review is April 21. We need a Scout to act as master of ceremonies for the Court of Honor. Mary is going to ask Jude Haycraft. The next advancement

days are June 6 and June 27 and LeAnn R. volunteered to be in charge of them. Thanks, LeAnn!

Michael also mentioned there are several tenderfoot, first class, and second class scouts that need help from an ASM to advance.

Blue merit badge cards need to be retained by Scouts and not held by leaders, especially for partially completed badges. The committee agreed that the Scouts need to be responsible for their merit badge blue cards and keeping track of what items need to be completed and having them signed off and turned in to the proper people.

Michael also discussed that Scouts need to be responsible for tracking their service hours and turning them in to the advancement chairperson. He proposed that we create a form that can be downloaded and printed from our Web site and then the Scouts can get it filled out and signed whenever they work on a service project, and then turn the form in to him. Michael offered to create the form and send it to Deb to post on the Web site.

#### **Agenda Item 5: Chairperson's Report, Mike Mikac**

Mike reviewed the list of adult leadership positions with all present. Dave Pendleton has agreed to remain Scoutmaster for at least one more year. Thank you, Dave!! Mike polled all the adults present who have troop positions and all agreed to remain in their position until the end of the 2009-2010 year. Thank you, EVERYONE!!!! We would encourage other parents who are interested in a position to work with someone next year in their role to make a transition easier. We do need a new person to be in charge in medical records to take over from Betty Frantz, who has done it for several years. Thank you, Betty!

#### **Agenda Item 6: Outdoor Chairperson, Deb Moreash**

April Horseback Trip - Michael Frantz presented. The permission slips have been distributed and are due at the April 14 meeting. The number of horses is limited so the first ones to sign up will get preference. The activities will include a horseback ride, hike to an archeological site, a service project, and a Dutch oven cooking contest.

New Patrol Campout - moved to May 2-3 and will be at Aztec Peak. Dave Pendleton will coordinate. He needs some other ASMs and some senior Scouts to help him out. The committee agreed to pay the costs of any Scouts who attend to help on the campout. Deb and Mike are going to drive up on Friday to save a camping site for the troop and then meet up with the troop on Saturday morning for the backpack trip.

May Backpack Trip - Deb is working with Bob Meiers and Tom Sands of Troop 172 to coordinate this outing. Bob expects that Troop 172 will have a large turnout as they have 22 new Scouts bridging to their troop this spring. We will coordinate with them as the date gets closer. Gary Weber has

organized a service project for the Scouts to work on during this outing; there is an SRP water gauge that will be installed.

May Lake Roosevelt - We have at least 4 boats so far for the trip. The space in the cabins is limited but Gary said there is plenty of room in the yards outside for Scouts to set up tents if we have a larger group, and he will even arrange to have the sprinklers turned off. Deb offered to organize a backpack trip as an alternate outing for that weekend if anyone was interested. (No one was.)

July Holcomb Valley - James Willette and Sam Thompson announced that 5 Scouts and 2 adults have signed up for Holcomb Valley. There is room for 6-7 more Scouts. Bob Meiers is going to see if anyone from Troop 172 is interested in attending.

Camp Geronimo - LeAnn is coordinating the Geronimo trip.

Sailing/Dive Trip - Trip leader Tom Kiefer. The trip head count is currently 12.

#### **Agenda Item 7: Recruitment, LeAnn Rickert, Heidi Hutchins**

There are bridging ceremonies on April 13 and another on April 21. Heidi is going to check into having a color brochure printed. She suggested that next year the recruitment chair should be one of the newer parents, as they will have more ties with Cub Scout packs.

#### **Agenda Item 8: District Roundtable Report, Bob Meiers**

Bob gave out info on Advancement Days, Lake Pleasant summer aquatics camp, summer camp staff applications, 2010 National Jamboree, and more. Bob also brought a box of Venture crew shirts.

#### **Agenda Item 9: New and Old Business, All**

Mike passed around a sample troop newsletter from Troop 118 to see if the committee thinks it is a good idea for us to have a newsletter. Most of those present thought that we don't need a newsletter. The status of the Intel funds was discussed and Sam and Mary are following up on that item.

Two of our Troop 697 Scouts were selected to be Sister City representatives (Ian Casper and Coby Bruckner). It is a great honor for them, we are very proud of both of them! Werner asked if he could borrow some troop camping gear to take the sister city kids visiting Tempe to the Grand Canyon and all agreed that he could.

#### **Agenda Item 10: Meeting Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting is May 14. Thank you to everyone who attended and participated tonight!