

BSA Troop 697 Committee Meeting - 4-10-08
David Pendleton – Scoutmaster

*Need to motivate the scouts to participate in meetings...work within their patrols...that's why they have leaders.

*David will call the leaders to get them into action.

*We have a good attendance record which shows a core group of scouts that is always there...and another group that comes and goes. The patrol leaders should be contacted if a scout in that patrol is not going to make it...and the scoutmaster should be made aware of excessive absences or conflicts.

*David is also putting out the call, again, for an assistant to help run the show. Please contact him if you can help out with some of his duties.

James Willette – Treasurer

*Had a \$750.00 BWCA check returned and was charged 10.00 in the process. James will try to contact the bank to find out who it was and try to re-claim the funds.

*Flag Fund Revenues – Motion was put to the floor to reward the scouts who participate in the Flag Services each holiday. 10.00 for each session. Motion passed. Treasurer needs a list of participants to move monies to the scouts accounts.

Mike Mikac – Advancement Report

*Tom Kiefer and Mark Kittredge have volunteered to take over the Eagle Award.

*Possible leadership board on website that is password protected – Deb will work on that.

*An idea was floated on keeping a bulletin board in the meeting room to show the Patrols and their leaders. No decision made.

*Michael Frantz urged the need for a Code of Honor Chair to take over Carla's duties – this person is responsible for brochures, snacks, set-up, etc. Mary Axelsen volunteered (yea!) her services for the position.

*By-Laws – Still not getting enough adult participation. The Bylaws of Troop 697 state that a parent/guardian of a scout must participate or pay \$50.00.

*Mark Kittredge – There is a need to plan a parent/guardian meeting to explain expectations or alternatives. No decision was made on this.

*CHURCH IS THE NEW MEETING PLACE – All camping and hiking activities are now meeting at the church instead of triple A.

*Packing list on Permission slip – it was decided to remove the packing list from the permission slip with the exceptions of a "special" trip in which particular equipment is needed.

Deb Moresh – Outdoor Chair

*Canyon de Chelly – James reported that he is ready to go with the Navajo guides. Tom Kiefer is collecting monies and permission slips and Tim McCormick is in charge of the shopping for the common meal Saturday morning. Blake Pendleton and Karl Willette were volunteered to plan the meal for the scouts. James will coordinate cars and riders in the next week.

*Bob Meiers – Looking for a porta-potty for the next canoeing trip. Also, bring PFD's and paddles if you have them. David Pendleton volunteered his easy-up shade structure (Thanks David)

*Lake Roosevelt – May 2,3,4. Still need more boats...if anyone has one. BWCA people will be going up and camping Friday – the rest of the troop will come up Saturday morning.

*Cherry Valley – June Session – no news. July session – no news.

*BWCA – The last weekend in April to hand out packing lists and specific details for the trip.

Deb/Heidi - Thinking about an international trip for the scouts in the future. Maybe world Scout Jamboree in Sweden? Japan? The committee liked the idea and is exploring the possibility for a trip in 2010? 2011?

Meeting adjourned.