

## Notes for Parent Committee Meeting

**Troop 393- Committee meeting 27Aug2019 7:10pm**

**Troop web site: [troop393pa.com](http://troop393pa.com)**

**Next meeting date 24Sep2019**

### **Attendance**

Tina Keeler (notes), Ken Neumann, Tim Trussel, Beth Mitchell, Amanda Kneisley, Leif Anderson, Carolyn Onderdonk, Bill Onderdonk, Tina Daley, Wayne Beiler, Mike Prouse, Karen Becker

### **I.Treasury Report**

- Budget update

Checkbook balance	\$11,335.23
Scout accounts	2,994.80
Campership fund	1,066.15
Veteran's memorial fund	440.71
 Total Troop Fund	 \$6,833.57

- No Treasurer report tonight. This information reflects the April meeting update. Hersheypark camping trip and new scout fees to be deducted.
- If you would like to see a breakdown of your scout's account, please let Karen know. She can email a link to their individual account.

### **II.Old Business**

- Update on Alex Landis' Eagle Project: went fantastic, still needs to put the plaques on the picnic tables, made 20 tables for the West Lampeter fairgrounds and repaired some existing tables. Alex is in the process of finishing up his paperwork.
- Update on Aidan Wiley's Eagle Project: Aidan made high top tables for the West Lampeter fairgrounds. Took longer than anticipated due to the length of the drill bit needed and not having a large group of help, but was good for problem solving. Tables will be transported to the fairgrounds before the fair.
- Camp Rodney Wrap-up: It was a hot week, but the scouts had a great time. There was one stormy night that the boys had a pizza party and played games inside the cabin. Thank you to Leif Anderson for transporting the bikes. Thank you to Wayne Beiler for taking care of the mosquitoes!
- Merit Badge Ideas/Counselor for Fall: if you would like to be a counselor, you must do about 2 hours of online training and fill out a BSA application – there is no fee. If you have a hobby or interest that you would like to share with the scouts, please consider being a counselor.
- Swim Party: Thank you to the Beilers for hosting! Everyone had a great time.

### III. New Business

- Summer Camp 2020: Ken was hoping to visit Camp Ockanickon but was not able to get there while summer camps were in session. The troop will most likely return to Resica Falls (tentative week is July 19-25, 2020). The troop was there 4 years ago and the scouts really like that camp. Nights are a little cooler since it is in the Poconos. Cost is comparable to Rodney. Will have to eat at the dining hall instead of at the campsite.
- Climbers Run Campout with Webelos: coming up Sep 6-8. There is a signup out – please signup soon so leaders know how many tickets are needed for the Buck.
- Return to ‘normal’ Eagle Scout procedures: scout should come up with an idea for a project and discuss with Ken/Neal, then present to the parent committee to see what kind of questions/issues might need to be worked out. There is a packet that they should print out to start filling out. The scout then meets with Ken/Neal, and Mrs Kurau for signatures. Ken would like to reinforce this process with the scouts so they understand the process when they are ready to start.
- Grant Beiler presented his Eagle Project idea: Would like to make ten 6-foot benches for the Lampeter Fair so there are places for people to sit. Would like to begin the project after the fair ends this year. Will probably schedule weekend work time, maybe a scout meeting time. Total cost for benches should be around \$500 and will raise money through donations / discounts from Lowes. Still deciding on putting plaques on the benches. If not using plaques, names can be put in fair book next year for donations.
- NYLT – Patrol Method: the 3 boys that went to NYLT asked why our troop does not do the Patrol Method where the patrols do all the planning for the troop. The boys are asking for this and this will help them develop stronger leadership skills. Adult leaders are going to try to become more hands off and let the boys take more leadership.
- This is the last year for Maureen Beiler to chair the poinsettia sale, so she requested if someone is willing to take it over, to please work with her this year to learn the process. If you are interested, please consider volunteering to work with Maureen this year.

### IV. Upcoming Events

- Sep 6-8 Climbers Run Camping Trip
- Sep 10 Court of Honor
- Sep 17 Miniature Golf Fun Meeting
- Sep 24 Parent Committee Meeting

*Please see the troop website calendar for all upcoming events and signups*

### V. Scoutmaster's Report (Neal Kuhn).

- Trying to move more toward scout led patrol (Patrol Method), but it is difficult because the scouts are also involved in other activities and the leadership is not always available.
- The scouts gave ideas of activities that they want to do, so the campouts and activities that are coming up are based on that (in winter would like to climb at the Nook).
- Climbers Run Camping Trip – great place to camp if any parents would like to come along, will do a service project during the day, play games, and then go to the Buck at night.
- Trying to line up some merit badges to work on in the fall (possibly Citizenship in the Community for those that don't have it)