

Notes for Parent Committee Meeting

Troop 393- Committee meeting 22Sep2020 7:00pm
Troop web site: troop393pa.com

Next meeting date TBD

Attendance

Tina Keeler (notes), Ken Neumann, Maureen Beiler, Tracy Topper, Tina Daley, Rebecca Anderson, Cindy Trussell, Bill Onderdonk, Carolyn Onderdonk, Nick DiPace, Amanda Kneisley, Travis Mitchell

I.Treasury Report

- Budget update

Checkbook balance	\$10,575.59
Scout accounts	984.26
Campership fund	1,066.15
Veteran's memorial fund	209.44
 Total Troop Fund	 \$8,315.74

- Tracy put \$250 in the account at the Scout Store to purchase merit badges.
- Tracy will contact scouts who have negative balances.
- Tracy is not able to get the google links that Karen set up to update for the individual scout accounts – they are still showing the old balances. Tracy can share the entire account (version that cannot be edited) and then parents can look up their scout's balance. Parents agreed to share the account as there is really nothing that is private information.
- Parents asked if there is a way to set up an electronic payment method like Paypal to put money into the scout accounts. Tracy will look into it.

II.Old Business

- No old business on the agenda.

III.New Business

- Poinsettia sale – does the committee want to do it this year? Maureen Beiler said it is an easy sale and the boys make a good profit (almost half the price of the plant). Parents agreed to do the sale this year. Maureen will give out forms at the Court of Honor and collect by end of October. Usually they are delivered the first Tuesday in December, but Maureen will confirm the date. There will be no price increase this year. Rebecca Anderson will help Maureen and then take over the sale next year.
- Chicken BBQ – it was a tough event this year. The troop made ~\$946 compared to the usual profit of around \$3000. It was a rainy day in June and we usually do it earlier in the season and have presales. We ordered more chickens than usual and the costs went up this year. Does the troop want to do it again next year? Ken will reserve our usual date with Kyle (in April), but we can discuss this more at another meeting.

- Archaeology Merit Badge – Tim Trussell did a great job with the scouts. They did a dig at Hans Herr House with Millersville University students and found artifacts. Will have photos at the Court of Honor. Scouts will finish the badge next week.
- Scouting for Food – Tina will contact Howie Hartman about whether we can deliver the food to the food bank at Lampeter Church as in past years. The PA Dutch Council Calendar is showing the dates as Nov 7 and Nov 14 this year. We will confirm since it has been the 2nd and 3rd Saturday in November in past years.
- Camping Trip – Leaders would like to schedule a camping trip. Usually go to Climbers Run in the fall, but need a new contact and the bridge is out. Scouts will have to tent by themselves or with family members. Also need to figure out meals. Will not invite Webelos this year since we are working out the details. Most parents said they are comfortable with camping. Tracy will check into Muddy Run to see what they have available. Ken said they might look into getting canoes from Troop 56 as an activity. Looking at dates for end of October or maybe after one of the Scouting for Food days.
- Next Merit Badge Suggestion – may do an Eagle required badge for older scouts and let the younger scouts work on progressing in rank since we missed summer camp this year. The older scouts who just got their Eagle rank can help the younger scouts with advancement. Personal Management is one that a lot of the boys need and we do not have a counselor for at this time if anyone is willing to lead it. This may be able to be taken at a Merit Badge College. There was one in Feb 2020 at Landisville Mennonite Church. Ken will check to see who locally is a counselor for this merit badge.
- Leadership positions – several scouts need them for their rank advancement. Troop 393 has Co-Patrol leaders instead of Patrol Leader and Assistant Patrol Leader because Assistant Patrol Leader is not recognized for rank advancement. The Co-Patrol Leaders can cover each other if one has another activity. Scouts moving into leadership roles: Alex Landis – Junior Assistant Scout Master, Luke Wiley – Senior Patrol Leader, Aidan Wiley/Michael Neumann – Assistant Senior Patrol Leaders, Grant Beiler, Zach Anderson, Matthew Topper, Matthew Neumann – Co patrol leaders. Brady Mitchell, Nicholas DiPace – Quartermasters
- Ken would recommend that scouts wear Class B to meetings because it is easier to launder a t-shirt after each meeting due to Covid concerns. The parents agreed that they can wear Class B instead of Class A. Tracy will put together an order for those who need Class B shirts.

IV.Upcoming Events

- Oct 6 – Court of Honor **at 6:00 pm** (have to do outdoors due to number of people)
- Dec 1 – Tentative date for poinsettia delivery (no scout meeting)
- May 15, 2021 – tentative date for Road Clean up in the spring (Rebecca leading)

V.Scoutmaster's Report (Neal Kuhn)

- Boys are trying to come up with skits for COH.
- This is Neal's last week leading as Scoutmaster. Ken will take over as Scoutmaster and Amanda will take over as Committee Chair. Thank you to Neal for all of his countless hours, dedication and service to the troop!