

Notes for Parent Committee Meeting

Troop 393- Committee meeting 1 Sept 2015 7:00pm

Troop web site: troop393pa.com

Next meeting is 29 Sept 2015

Attendance

Tina Keeler (notes), Jenn Wiley, Karen Blevins, Mike Prouse, Gail Lanas, Wayne Beiler, Liza Kuhn, Kathleen Massar, Jean Garrett, Damond Holsinger, Steve Becker, Jody Drummond

I. Treasury Report

- Budget update

Checkbook balance	\$6,616.78
Scout accounts	2,829.26
Campership fund	1,066.15
Veteran's memorial fund	677.29
 Total Troop Fund	 \$2,044.08

II. Old Business

- Summer camp – a great trip. All scouts had a good time and want to go back next year. Scouts like eating at site and extra things to do at camp. Reserved space for next year for July 10th through 16th, 2016.
- Caving – small group but the best steaks ever! Boys got filthy but had fun.
- Pool party at Beilers. A very large thank you to the Beilers for hosting!! Everyone had a great time.

III. New Business

- Parents discussed this year donating food from Scouting for food to Lampeter United Methodist Church instead of Quarryville since this will benefit families in the local community. Will need to let both groups know.
- Will discuss Poinsettia sale at next Parent Meeting to set dates. Will start in October, orders in by November, delivery early December. Karen will reach out to find out if we have to buy in sets of 10.
- In past, all money from fundraiser has gone to scout accounts, but the troop is smaller and need to make some purchases (trailer is getting old). Looking into doing a High Adventure trip in the coming years. May need to split some profits with the troop. Will make a decision at the next parent meeting. Reaching out to Walmart for funding (in past gave \$1000 to troop). Will send out to businesses in Willow Street area.
- Discussion of Scouting opening up to gay leadership. Local church will set ruling, not the troop. Bringing it up to parent committee for awareness.
- Eagle Scout project presentations:

- NOTE to candidates – give at least 30 days notice to troop when setting up project work days for scout volunteers.
- Jack Drummond: Martin Meylin Middle School – constructing Gaga pit. Object is to hit ball at opponent's feet. Appropriate for middle school age. Will benefit the Middle School – the PTO was looking for one. Discussed cost and materials with Principal Raum. Planning on completion by end of fall (dependent on funding). Probably 2-3 hours needed with 20 people. Will recruit by sign up sheet for scout volunteers – they will receive community service hours. Octagon shaped pit – require composite lumber for safety reasons and weathering, corner brackets, fasteners, playground mulch inside and outside with plastic edging. Volunteers need work gloves, safety glasses for cutting. Water provided. Tools will be power drills, sanding. No permit needed. Talking to Head of Grounds. Sending out fundraising letters to family and friends and starting GoFundMe page. Looking for donation or discount of materials from local companies. Total cost around \$3000
- Steven Hollern: install bridge at Hans Herr Elementary from playground to basketball courts to cross low lying area that gets muddy; wheel chair accessible. No permit is required. Funding from Lion Club. 20-30% discount on materials from GR Mitchell. Total cost around \$1500 for one bridge. Would like to complete by March 2016. Will use treated lumber for this project. Can ask if parents have any materials to donate (ex: concrete). Will most likely be a 2 day project (9-4 each day) completed over one weekend. Lunch and water will be provided for volunteers. Parents requested more details to ensure that bridge meets requirements and also can be completed in one weekend when there are no children on the playground.
- Colin Anderson: build pavilions at Strasburg pool to provide shade. 10x10 pavilions with mesh for shade. Looking to complete in March/April to allow time for fundraising. Will ask scouts as well as pool employees to volunteer. Meeting with pool board to determine if 2 or 3 pavilions. No permit needed, just approval of pool board. Has list of materials and tools needed. Total for 2 is around \$550, 3 would be \$750. Fundraising would be sub sale and donations. Need to determine if pool will be responsible for maintenance of the mesh canopy.

IV. Upcoming Events

- September 8 – Launching rockets weather permitting and if the corn is down (Lee is working on new location)
- September 15 – Court of Honor – Jenn Wiley is chair – will send out an email
- September 18-20 – Camping with Webelos at Muddy Run
- September 29 – Parent committee meeting
- October 11 – Road Clean Up – Gail Lanais will chair
- October 17 – Mr. Anderson is looking for volunteers to help with 5K Run for YMCA. Would count as volunteer hours for scouts and high school.
- October 24-25 – One night camping at Susquehannock Park
- November 13-15 – Navy Football Game and Camping Trip
- November 14 – Scouting for Food –Bag Distribution (any scouts not attending Navy trip)
- November 21 – Scouting for Food – Food Pick Up

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

- No report this meeting.