

Notes for Parent Committee Meeting

Troop 393- Committee meeting 29 Sept 2015 7:00pm

Troop web site: troop393pa.com

Next meeting is 27 October 2015

Attendance

Wayne Beiler, Ken Wirtz, Steven Becker, Karen Blevins, Mike Prouse, Darrell Kreider, Gail Lanas, Kathleen Massar, Sean Duke, Jenn Wiley

I. Treasury Report

- Budget update

Checkbook balance	\$7,233.78
Scout accounts	\$2,265.89
Campership fund	\$1,066.15
Veteran's memorial fund	\$ 677.29
 Total Troop Fund	 \$3,224.45

II. Old Business

- Camping at Muddy Run with Webelos - Not many Webelos attended but great campout with fun games. Also, played capture the flag with neighboring Willow Street Troop 58. Thanks to the organizers of this campout.
- OA Ordeal weekend– Congratulations to Jake Wiley for completing his Ordeal for Order of the Arrow. Congratulations to Brandon Prouse for completing his Brotherhood in Order of the Arrow, Congratulations to Mike Prouse for completing his Ordeal for Order of the Arrow.

III. New Business

- Fund Raisers – Looking to add funds to Troop via fundraisers. We have not had a fundraiser go directly to Troop or have not taken a percentage of profits of the current scout account fundraisers, in several years. We are looking to do an additional fundraiser to build up the budget to replace worn out equipment/camping gear. Also, to provide opportunity to make high adventure trips possible in the near future. Discussed ideas for fundraising and whether we should split a portion of profits with Troop using current fundraisers. We are seeking funds from local businesses (Lee Landis working on). Idea brought up for a possible spring car wash in one or two locations (Darrenkamps and Bridgeport possible locations) to be the fundraiser to raise money directly for Troop. Poinsettia fundraiser – discussed taking about 10% of profits to go directly to Troop.
- Poinsettia Fundraiser (Karen Blevins chairs) - Cost of poinsettias went up minimally. We will charge same amount as last year and will still make good profit. Karen will have to

order in multiples by size, not color, so we may have some left over. Discussed donating any left over to the pastor and church. Some parents requested different or additional colors to sell this year. Due to complicated ordering with multiples, and to keep it easier for sorting and for the scouts to distribute, parents voted to keep the colors and sizes the same as last year. Karen will have laminated colored pictures and sizes of poinsettias to hand out with the order forms. She will be handing out order forms on October 20th. Order forms will also be available earlier on Troop website by October 13th. Order forms due back by November 3rd. Discussed the possibility of using a portion of profits (10%) of this fundraiser to go to Troop.

IV. Upcoming Events

- October 11 – Road Clean Up – Gail Lanas will chair. Meet at church at 2pm. Scouts will be cleaning up part of Penn Grant road. It should take approximately 1 & 1/2 hours.
- October 17 – Mr. Anderson is looking for volunteers to help with 5K Run for YMCA. Please contact Mr. Anderson to help and for details. Would count as volunteer hours for scouts and high school.
- October 24-25 – One night camping at Susquehannock Park. More scout related activities on this trip. Great opportunity for other dads to come on this campout and spend time with their boys.
- November 3rd - Poinsettia order forms and money due
- 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
- December 8th – Poinsettia pick up
- December 11th – 12th (tentative date) – lock in at church

V. Scoutmaster's Report (Neal Kuhn)

- Looking into fundraising options to go directly into Troop account.
- We have many Life Scouts who will be working towards Eagle. Life Scouts are to start planning ahead and give leaders 3 to 6 months notice of project work days so leaders can accommodate their needs.
- Scouts are currently wrapping up Space Exploration Merit Badges.
- Liza Kuhn will start Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge next week. She will have an organized schedule/plan for each week. If a Scout misses a week they will know what they missed and should seek out Mrs. Kuhn for make-up work.
- Muddy Run campout was fun and a great time to spend with the Scouts.

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