

Troop 187 Meeting Minutes September 8, 2003

In Attendance: Eric Assur, Mitch Miskimins, David Fede, Grady Parker, Betsy Bicknell, Roland Cyr, Wayne Spong, Andy Grafton, Eric Van der Veer, Brian Sachlis, Mike Harper, Deb Scheneker, John Nuttman, Bob Honour, Susan Tricket and Kathy Walker.

Welcome: Wayne Spong, Troop Committee Chair, called the meeting to order.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the July 7, 2003 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: A financial report was handed out by Susan Tricket. She changed the format to make it simpler. She will not show each check and deposit, but if anyone would like to see that detail, the books are available for anyone to see. She requested feedback and suggestions for future reporting. It was suggested to post on the website individual scout accounts. Andy Grafton and John Nuttman have been reimbursed their Philmont money. Permission was given to the Treasurer to purchase postage stamps. The Chairman approved the deposit and reimbursement forms on the web-site.

Motion was made to approve the financial report.

A discussion took place on how to spend the more than \$5,000 excess in general funds; equipment, peanuts or financial assistance. The Chairman suggested he put together a budget committee.

Advancement Report: None

Membership Report: None

Scoutmaster's Report: Andy Grafton reported that last weekend's trip was a success. Spring 2005 a Florida Keys trip is planned. Someone needs to check on application to National Jamboree.

Scott Neil is having his Board of Review for Eagle tonight and the Court of Honor is on Sept. 15th.

There is a series of 3 training classes:

1. Vienna Presbyterian Church
2. Leader Specific Training on Saturday 9/20 from 9-12, \$10
3. Outdoor Leader Training at Lake Fairfax, \$25

Andy asked for adult leadership help since many adults whose children have long gone from the troop are hanging in for us. Andy thinks it is time to relieve them.

Quartermaster Report: David Fede reported that it is time to replenish the camping equipment, especially the cook boxes. The chairman asked for a list of equipment needs for the next camping trip on 9/26.

Old Business: Bob Honour said they had a great week at summer camp. 75 merit badges were earned, which is an average of 3 per scout. A Summer Camp Coordinator is needed to replace Bob. Discussion took place as to where next summer camp should be. Bob said he would call Broad Creek.

Brian Sachlis is to get sample of t-shirts and neckerchiefs by next meeting.

John Nuttman asked for parent volunteers to go to Philmont, whether you have a child going or not. John wants Brace Dunkin to go along, and asked the committee if there were any problems since he is not a part of the troop. The Committee responded that he needs to be a registered scout.

New Business: Roland Cyr presented his idea to sell peanuts for a fall fundraiser instead of Wreaths. He will give Grady Parker information to put on the web-site. This will be discussed as old business at next meeting.

Adjournment: The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm, after reminding the Committee that there will not be a troop meeting on November 3rd due to the teacher workday, but the Committee needs to meet anyway.

Submitted by Kathy Walker, Troop Committee Secretary