Boy Scout Troop 201Minutes of Committee Meeting 5/7/13

I. Opening of Meeting: Pledge of Allegiance

In attendance:

Anthony Giustino Roger Cocchi Paula Cuomo Christine Giunta Mike Trietsch John Brautigam David Martin Rajni Singhal Bill Kosel Monica Pavlidis Michael Delio

- II. Submission of Minutes, previous meeting: Read and accepted.
- **III.** Reading of Reports:
- A. Head of Charter Organization: No report.
- **B. Troop Committee Chair:** No report.
- **C. Troop Secretary:** Review of minutes from last meeting...

There are now 79 Scouts in the Troop.

There are some changes to the Troop schedule. These will be sent in separate reminder updates. The highlights include:

- All remaining meetings are regular Troop meeting. There are no more green bar meetings before Summer Camp.
- Andrew Delio Eagle Scout project on 5/18 and 5/25.
- Williston Park Memorial Day parade on May 27.
- June 10 The Softball Game
- June 17 Last regular troop meeting before Summer Camp.
- **D. Scoutmaster:** Reiterated the need for Parents to volunteer especially with a troop as large as ours.
- **E. Troop Treasurer:** Current balance as of 4/16: \$. Dues are up to date. There is special high adventure insurance available for the Philmont trip that we are investigating.

A \$ donation was sent to Friends of Scouting.

A total of \$\\$ was received for excess items sold at the last Troop meeting.

F. Fundraiser Coordinator: There will be at least two fundraisers for the Philmont trip.

G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator: Drivers are always needed to transport Scouts to and from camping weekends, please volunteer!

Philmont Scout Ranch: August 7-21, 2013. Two treks have been confirmed: 72 miles rugged and 82 miles strenuous. The balance for the pre-trip tour is now due. The balance for the airfare is due on May 20..

Webelos moving up: June 8-9: Moving up for Pack 201 at Christopher Morley Park and Pack 202 at Sands Point Preserve. We will be camping at Christopher Morley. We will need volunteers for the Pack 202 moving up ceremony. Volunteers can stay overnight with Pack 202.

Summer Camp: July 7-13. Camp Onteora. Deposits for \$100 are due by 4/22. Final payment of another \$100 are due by 5/6. The total summer camp fee is \$200.

If you are a merit badge counselor and are interested in teaching your merit badge at Onteora while we are there, please contact one of the adult leaders.

There are currently 44 Scouts registered for Summer Camp.

H. Advancement Coordinator: A draft of a letter to be given to new Life Scouts offering guidance on the final steps on the Path to Eagle was distributed for comments.

There was a merit badge camp at the Cradle of Aviation Museum during Spring Break. We had Scouts earn up to four merit badges each during the camp.

We had one successful board of review for an Eagle Scout Silver Palm.

- **I. Religious Emblem Coordinator:** No classes are being held this year.
- **J. Equipment Coordinator:** One extra tent was returned by a Scout. We now have 13 tents in good shape and five tents that have never been used.

There was a discussion about having enough equipment to support cooking for the troop. Additionally, there was discussion about making sure we have enough propane to support the troop at Summer Camp. This would normally be two 20 pound containers and a number of one pound containers.

It was mentioned that we have seven old 2-man tents that will be checked for serviceability.

K. Website Coordinator: New website (www.troop201ny.com) is established and updated. Current meeting minutes will be updated on the website. The new site is linked from the Council website

L. Old Business:

- **Eagle Scout Plaque:** All the Eagle Scout Plaques have been updated: to be placed in an alcove in the Herricks Community Center. Glass covers have been built over the alcoves. The third plaque has been ordered.
- Eagle Scout Court of Honor is scheduled for 5/19/13. There will be four new Eagle Scouts recognized at this Court of Honor.

• Junior Leader Orientation Workshop (JLOW) training was held on May 4. We had two senior Scouts helping/instructing and one Scout completing the training.

M. New Business:

- There was a discussion of how better to move new Scouts through the ranks to First Class. This included a hand out and discussion on advancing Scouts that because of Special Needs may not be able to complete the advancement requirements as written.
- Additional volunteers to take on responsibility for maintaining the training records for the adult leaders of the Troop and for building the Troop's calendar would be welcome.

Log on to the troop website at www.troop201ny.com for updates on the troop calendar and activities, and photos from recent events. Log on to the council web site at www.trcbsa.org for links to adult training, and information on programs offered by Shelter Rock District and the Theodore Roosevelt Council.