

# *Boy Scout Troop 201*

## *Minutes of Committee Meeting 3/4/14*

### **I. Opening of Meeting: Pledge of Allegiance**

#### In attendance:

John Brautigam	Duane Marcy	Tim Farrell	Suzanne Schultz
Monica Pavlidis	Mike Trietsch	Christine Giunta	
Paula Cuomo	Anthony Giustino	David Martin	

### **II. Submission of Minutes, previous meeting: Read and accepted.**

### **III. Reading of Reports:**

**A. Head of Charter Organization:** No report.

**B. Troop Committee Chair:** The Charter renewal application was submitted before the 1/31 deadline. All the Youth Protection certificates have been submitted.

**C. Troop Secretary:** Review of minutes from last meeting. The minutes were accepted.

There are now 61 Scouts in the Troop.

The deposit for Philmont was sent in before 2/28. The next payment is due in October, 2014, and will be approximately \$377 per person.

**D. Scoutmaster:** Anthony Giustino reported that 13 Webelos attended the Troop welcome night. He sent thank you notes to the Packs' Cubmasters. From those ebelos, three parents showed interested in becoming committee members.

Meetings are being held with the Scouts whose attendance is below 50%.

Between the merit badge camp at the Cradle of Aviation museum, the Robotics merit badge at the last camping trip, and the snow sports merit badge at the ski trip, the Scouts have recently earned nearly 50 total merit badges.

**E. Troop Treasurer:** Current balance as of 3/4 was \$.

**F. Fundraiser Coordinator:** No additional fundraising is currently scheduled. There is still one Scout who owes for unsold wreaths. Mr. Giustino will work on resolving this.

**G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator:**

**Camp Durland.** 3/14-16. 40 bunks in one cabin. 31 Scouts and 6 adults signed up to attend.

**Shotgun shooting:** Scheduled for 3/22.

**Harriman hike.** 4/5-6. There is a need for additional adults to attend this overnight trip.

**West Point Camporee:** 5/2-4. Must be at West Point no later than 6 p.m. Expect to meet by 3 p.m. at Legion Hall. Scouts will backpack in. Expect to leave from the American Legion Hall no later than 3 p.m. There was a discussion on the charge for the trip so as to cover the fee for West Point, food, and transportation.

**White Water Rafting:** 5/9-10. This is a scheduled dam release weekend.

**Eagle Court of Honor:** Sunday, 5/18, at American Legion Hall. There will be four new Eagle Scouts honored. Mike Russo will Chair the Court of Honor. Monica Pavlidis is chairing the refreshment committee. Rosemarie Brautigam is the Eagle Parent coordinator.

**Pack 202 Moving Up:** June 7

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**Summer Camp:** 6/29 – 7/5. Camp Minsi, PA. They will accept us doing the swim test here. Mr. Giustino will contact the local pools to arrange this.

**Seabase 2014:** We are sending two crews: Florida Fishing Adventure, 7/13-19, 3 adults, 4 Scouts; Out Island Adventure, 8/7-13, 2 adults, 6 Scouts. The Troop will front the deposits and be paid back as the payments from the participants come in.

All the flights are booked and paid for. We are looking into the best method to get from the airport to Seabase and back again: rent a van or use a transport company. The crews will begin their swimming workouts in preparation for attending Seabase.

**Philmont 2015:** Duane Marcy has volunteered to chair the Troops Philmont 2015 preparations. We will be sending out requests for Scouts who are interested in attending in April.

**Additional:** Cabin trips for 2014-2015 were discussed. The tentative list is Baiting Hollow or Resica Falls for Dec 2014; Minsi for January 2015; Camp Kaufmann for Feb, 2015; Ten Mike River for March, 2015.

We will be holding our adults dinner on April 30.

**H. Training Coordinator:** The requirements for adult training to lead the various types of camping trips were discussed. For general camping we need adult leaders with first aid training and weather hazards training. There is additional safety afloat training required for kayaking and white water rafting trips.

**I. Advancement Coordinator:** There were eight boards of review held in the last month. Committee members have been working with the TroopMaster software and passing their comments back to Mr. Ryan.

**J. Religious Emblem Coordinator:** There is no current activity. It was noted that many different faiths offer Religious Emblems for the Scouts in those faiths to earn.

**K. Equipment Coordinator:** We took delivery of the new table covers to be used at Eagle Scout Courts of Honor. A plastic container was donated to store the covers in.

We bought additional gloves for handling hot pots and working with the camp stoves.

**L. Website Coordinator:** New website ([www.troop201ny.com](http://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. Dave Martin has volunteered to manage the website.

**M. Old Business:**

- **Eagle Scout Plaque:** The Plaques have been put in place in the Community Center. There were many favorable comments about how good the display cases in the Community center housing the Eagle Plaques look.

**N. New Business:**

- John Brautigam will take care of getting the new Eagle Scouts names engraved on the Plaque.
- Mike Russo is working at setting up a bow hunter safety class and will make it available to the Scouts.
- Duane Marcy will be working with Jim Duggan on coordinating the food for the camping trips. Mr. Marcy will be taking over this position.

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