# **Boy Scout Troop 201**Minutes of Committee Meeting 12/2/14

I. Opening of Meeting: Pledge of Allegiance

### In attendance:

John Brautigam Anthony Giustino Paula Cuomo Sharon Sullivan Monica Pavlidis Michael Trietsch Michael Delio Kevin Ryan David Martin

II. Submission of Minutes, previous meeting: Read and accepted with corrections.

# III. Reading of Reports:

- **A. Head of Charter Organization:** The American Legion has requested that we repair the grave markers that they use during the Memorial Day service. We will likely do this project in the Spring.
- **B. Troop Committee Chair:** Review of minutes from last meeting. The minutes were accepted. The charter renewal is being worked on. There are 8 adult members who have expiring Youth Protection Training. We are contacting them. The committee approved paying for the charter renewal. The amount of up to \$\$ was approved.
- **C. Troop Secretary:** There are 63 Scouts in the Troop.
- **D. Scoutmaster:** Mr. Giustino noted that advancement and boards of review are continuing. The December boards of review will take place at the first meeting in January due to lack of regular Troop meetings in December.
- **E. Troop Treasurer:** Current balance as of 12/2 was \$. This is about even on popcorn money. It represents paying for the wreaths but not receiving payments for sold wreaths yet. All dues have been collected.
- **F. Fundraiser Coordinator:** There was a discussion concerning whether or not to keep the price per wreath at \$. It was noted that our cost per wreath went up \$ this year. No decision was made on raising the price of the wreath. This year's price will remain at \$/wreath.

It was noted that the delivery was short 41 wreaths. The cost for those wreaths was removed from the invoice at the delivery.

# **G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator:**

**Philmont 2015:** All payments are up to date.

**December:** Advancement weekend in cabins and Lean-tos at Baiting Hollow. 12/5-7. Scouts were added to wait list due to cabins being filled.

**Sporting Clays:** Sporting clays shotgun trip will take place on Saturday, December 13. This trip is only available to Scouts who sold more than \$ in popcorn. There will be no charge for the trip for those Scouts. There will be a \$ charge for Adults.

*January:* Camp Kaufman, on 1/9-11. This is limited to 40 people. Drivers are needed, both to drive to and from the camp, and to shuttle Scouts from the camp to the skiing. Skiing will be at Thunder Ridge. There is no tubing available.

*February:* Camp Allamuchy, NJ. Two cabins are booked. The camp has other activities including Eagle Scout advancement and zip line.

*March:* Cabin at Ten Mile River is reserved.

**Summer Camp:** We have made a deposit for Camp Workcoeman in Connecticut. We will try to visit the camp.

- **H. Training Coordinator:** All parents and adult Scouters are urged to renew their Youth Protection training before it expires. This is particularly important as we reach the end of calendar year 2014 and renew our Charter from national Boy Scouts.
- **I. Advancement Coordinator:** There are a series of Eagle projects at various points in the approval process. Scouts should do their best to help out the Eagle candidates with their projects. There will be boards of review held at the 11/24 meeting.

The committee authorized spending \$ for a two year subscription to the Troopmaster web based Troop management and advancement management tool. We have been using the tool successfully and this extends our subscription.

- **J. Religious Emblem Coordinator:** There are six Scouts working on their Ad Altare Dei religious emblem. There are three Scouts working on their Pope Pius XII (ages 14 and older) religious emblem. There are religious emblems available for many different faiths. Please contact Ms. Schultz for information.
- **K. Equipment Coordinator:** We still have two unused tents. Scouts are reminded that if they bring home Troop equipment to clean, they should do their best to clean the equipment correctly and completely.
- **L. Website Coordinator:** Dave Martin has been updating the Troop's website at <a href="https://www.troop201ny.com">www.troop201ny.com</a>. There are new equipment lists. The calendar has been updated. Please frequent the website for announcements and general information.

### 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:

- There was a discussion about drivers for trips. Drivers are needed for every trip. Parents should expect to drive to/from camp sometime during the Scouting year. We have become overly reliant on the same people stepping up each time. The Troop works best when everyone pitches in!
- The Pinewood Derby is January 10. Scouts are needed to help.
- The second installment of Tips from the Old Scout is available entitled "Cleaning and Maintaining Troop Gear".

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