

Boy Scout Troop 201

Minutes of Committee Meeting 10/6/15

I. Opening of Meeting: Pledge of Allegiance

In attendance:

John Brautigam	Rose Chase	Monica Pavlidis	Yuri Aguiar
Kevin Ryan	Anthony Giustino	David Martin	Marilou Calovini
Mike Delio	Chris Miceli		

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

III. Reading of Reports:

A. Head of Charter Organization: No Report.

B. Troop Committee Chair: Review of minutes from last meeting. The minutes were accepted.

*****IMPORTANT: Council is requesting that **Youth Protection Training (YPT)** be renewed by December 1 for those whose YPT is expiring in January or February. This is to smooth the Charter renewal process.

There was a reminder of Troop Committee decisions from the summer: Wreaths will be \$12 each. Dues were increased to \$85. The second and subsequent Scouts from the same family could still renew for \$75 each. The troop will move forward with the purchase of up to 10 new tents.

We are looking for additional volunteers in all areas. People to help with fundraising are particularly needed.

C. Troop Secretary: There are 73 Scouts in the Troop.

D. Scoutmaster: Mr Giustino reported:

- Three Scouts completed their Scoutmaster conferences and should be ready for boards of review.

- He is currently working with four Life Scouts on possible Eagle projects.

- Up to 10 Scouts will be attending the JLOW leadership training

- We are setting up two teams for the Klondike derby to be held in January.

E. Troop Treasurer: The Troop had a balance of \$ as of October 1. Dues have been collected from 48 Scouts so far.

F. Fundraiser Coordinator: Popcorn orders are due on 10/26.

G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator:

Camp Alpine: Oct 16-18. 28 Scouts are registered for the trip. The rock scramble hike is planned.

Harriman Hike: Nov 14-15. Permission slips are due on Nov. 2.

Camp Durland: Dec 4-6. We have reserved one 40 person cabin. This is the advancement weekend trip.

Camp Minsi: Jan 22-24. This is planned to be the Ski trip. We have five heated tents reserved – 8 people per tent.

Camp Tyrell: Feb 26-28; 28 person cabin reserved.

Ten Mile River: March 18-20. Two cabins reserved.

Summer Camp: We are working with both Camp Onteora and Camp Trexler to arrange for the best dates, site, and program for the Troop.

2016 High Adventure: There will be a trip to the Northern Tier camp starting July 17. A second trip involving a series of Troop specific activities for older Scouts is being organized by Mr. Marcy. More details will be forthcoming -- Scouts interest is gauged.

H. Training Coordinator: All parents and adult Scouters are urged to renew their Youth Protection training before it expires.

I. Advancement Coordinator: There is one Eagle Scout application in process. Three boards of review are currently scheduled for 10/26.

J. Religious Emblem Coordinator: There are religious emblems available for many different faiths. Please contact Ms. Schultz for information.

K. Equipment Coordinator: Scouts are reminded that if they bring home Troop equipment to clean, they should do their best to clean the equipment correctly and completely.

We are still researching the best tents to buy for the 10 new tents authorized. We will also be purchasing a new set of pots and new grates for use with charcoal fires.

L. Website Coordinator: Dave Martin has been updating the Troop's website at www.troop201ny.com. The calendar has been updated. Articles from "This Old Scout" are up on the website – including tent care. Everyone is encouraged to read and take this good advice.

Please frequent the website for announcements and general information. There is a facebook page available also: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/troop201ny/>

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:

- 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!
- There was a discussion of Adults attending trips and whether those adults had to be registered leaders. We will be asking the Council about this.
- Mr. Chris Miceli from the New Hyde Park Runner's Club came to talk with the Committee about Troop 201 providing volunteers for their 8k run in June
 - The run would be on the first Sunday in June.
 - It is an 8k race sponsored by New Hyde Park/Mineola Runner's Club
 - There are about 500 runners participating.
 - We would provide 5 to 8 people (Scouts and adults) to man one of the three water stations along the route.
 - They are looking for up to 80 volunteers all together.
 - One of our adult volunteers would have to be on site by 7 a.m. The rest should be there by 8 a.m. The run starts at 8:30 a.m. and is typically done by about 10 a.m.
 - The run starts and ends at Denton School. The run course is through North Hills.

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.