Boy Scout Troop 201Minutes of Committee Meeting 11/1/16

I. Opening of Meeting: Pledge of Allegiance

In attendance:

John BrautigamMonica PavlidisJuleigh ChinPaula CuomoKevin RyanAnthony GiustinoDavid MartinDaekeun KimRose ChaseMike DelioKenneth TokarMike Russo

Nick Koutsoftas Louis Cornacchia

- 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.

All registered adults must complete Youth Protection Training by December 1, 2016 if their YPT expires before March 31, 2017.

We are looking for additional volunteers in all areas.

- **C. Troop Secretary:** There are 83 Scouts in the Troop. The contact list and email list were discussed. The committee went through the list noting which people should no longer be receiving regular troop emails.
- **D. Scoutmaster:** Mr Giustino reported:
 - JLOW is fast approaching. Troop 201 will be providing two senior Scouts as trainers and will have nine Scouts attend.
 - One Eagle Scout Scoutmaster conference was completed.
 - There is an Eagle Scout board of review scheduled for December 22.
 - Mr. Tokar will be taking over the maintenance of the attendance charts.
 - The Troop will be moving to Patrol cooking starting on the December trip. Permission slips will need to be in early to facilitate planning by the Patrols.
- **E. Troop Treasurer:** The Troop had a balance of \$ as of 10/31.

We are collecting dues. There are still 17 Scouts who have not paid their annual dues. We will be contacting those Scouts to request payment.

F. Fundraiser Coordinator: We will charge \$12 for wreaths which is the same price as last year. Each Scout is expected to sell 20 wreaths. Each additional scout Scouts in the same family will have to sell 10 additional wreaths. For example, a family with 2 sons in the Troop will have to sell 30 total wreaths, a family with 3 sons in the Troop will have to sell 40 total wreaths.

Also, each Scout must sell a minimum of \$75 worth of popcorn. Scouts selling \$125 or more of popcorn will be invited to attend a sporting clays shotgun trip at no cost. The shotgun trip will be held in the Spring.

Wreath and Popcorn pickup will be on Saturday, November 18. There will be a separate email with times.

There was a discussion about changing the amount of popcorn that each Scout is expected to sell so that a second and more Scout from the same family would be required to sell less, similar to how the wreath sales are currently done. There was no decision on this.

G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator:

Camp Alpine: 10/21-23. We did take the cabins that Mrs. Pavlidis arranged for us as a contingency. The weather was not as windy as expected. Ten Scouts were in tents the first night. Four Scouts were in tents the second night. We did not do the rock scramble.

350 advancements were completed (including advancements completed at summer camp and signed off here). Older Scouts did very well training the many younger Scouts on the trip.

Archery is available if we pre-schedule it.

It was noted that we will need a large vehicle per patrol box for future camping trips

Harriman Hike: 11/12-13. Backpacking trip. The permission slip will be changed slightly to ask if adults will be bringing their own tents. There are 37 Scouts and 15 adults registered.

Advancement weekend: 12/9-11. Camp Durland. We have two 30 person adjacent cabins. Permission slips are due on November 21.

Ski Trip: 1/20-21. Jack Frost skiing. Camp Acahela. We have two cabins reserved.

Cabin Camping Trip: 2/10-12. Camp Allamuchy. We have 2 cabins reserved.

March trip: Two cabins are booked at Ten Mile River

April trip: Harriman Hike

Whitewater Rafting: 5/13-14. Noted that Whitewater Challengers is having a Scout weekend on May 6-7. However, that is not a dam release weekend and the Committee decided to stay with our planned dates of 5/13-14.

Summer Camp: We have booked Camp No-Be-Bo-Sco. Camp will start July 2. The camp offers small boat sailing. The swim test will be at the camp.

2017 High Adventure: We have reservations for two crews to attend Philmont in Summer 2017. The trip would start 8/2/17. There are still slots open. Scouts who are

interested and will be 14 years old (or 13 and finished 8th grade) should contact Mr. Russo to reserve a slot.

Holiday Party: No decision has been made yet on a location for the holiday party.

Nassau Legislature: There will be a visit to the Nassau County Legislature on Wednesday, December 7, from 4:30 until 6 p.m.

- **H. Training Coordinator:** All adult Scouters are urged to renew their Youth Protection training before it expires.
- **I. Advancement Coordinator:** We have completed two Boards of Review in the last month.
- **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 must clean and dry the equipment correctly and completely.

Four tents were used at Camp Alpine. We have about 14 usable tents. There is a request to purchase 10 new tents. No decision was made on the purchase.

We are checking prices for the purchase of the additional patrol boxes. We will also need to purchase additional utensils to support Patrol cooking.

L. Website Coordinator: David Martin has been updating the Troop's website at www.troop201ny.com.

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 placed back into our display case at 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:

Mrs. Chin led a discussion suggesting that the Troop assist at an animal shelter on the site of the old Source Mall. Volunteers are needed for kennel clean up. The mall has also donated space outside where a dog run can be built. This was noted as a potential Eagle project.

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.