

Boy Scout Troop 201

Minutes of Committee Meeting 1/2/18

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

In attendance:

John Brautigam	Juleigh Chin	Anthony Giustino	Danny Kim
Nick Koutsoftas	Debra Meyn	Monica Pavlidis	Mark Pollack
Michael Russo	Kevin Ryan	Henry Zanetti	

II. **Reading of Reports:**

A. Head of Charter Organization: No Report.

B. Troop Committee Chair: Troop rechartering in progress. Several adult leaders require YPT in order to be included in the recharter.

C. Troop Secretary:

- There are 79 scouts in the Troop who have paid dues.

D. Scoutmaster: M. Russo reported:

- Eagle Projects:
 - In Progress:
 - 3 in planning phase: Chris S, Nick R, and Michael M (proposal was approved and needs to provide dates to Mr. Russo)
- Eagle Court of Honor – Jan 7th:
 - Confirmed Jan 7th ECOH at Am. Legion
 - 4 of 4 requested walking sticks - shipped on Saturday
 - Committee noted that more fruit should be ordered since last year there was many leftover cakes
 - Scouts should be reminded that they should eat lunch on their own prior to arriving to help the ECOH
- Eagle Court of Honor – May 20th:
 - Confirmed date at Am. Legion
- Seabase 2018:
 - 6 adventures: 45 out of 48 slots are filled - no change since December
 - Feb flights have been booked and paid
 - Next payment will be due Jan 22
 - Must organize a parents' meeting for Seabase and crew leaders must be picked
- Philmont 2019 registration has opened
 - We were awarded slots for 2 crews (each 14 to 24 kids in total).
 - Invoice of \$ for the deposit was sent out
 - The scout executive must signoff to allow Philmont participation
 - The troop will pay the first deposit due on 1/30. The next payment is due in

October

- Advancement weekend resulted in:
 - 5 scout ranks
 - Approximately 300 requirements completed
 - 9 ranks achieved
 - All scouts participated in the geocaching
- Holiday party: the location was crowded, the scouts enjoyed it and the gift (folding stool from) was largely received positively.

E. Troop Treasurer: H. Zanetti reported that the current balance is over \$ but this is largely due to Seabase deposits. H. Zanetti shared a report from the prior year. One of the difficulties in the accounting is due to parents not indicating on their checks exactly what the purpose of the individual checks are for.

F. Fundraiser Coordinator:

- DK to followup with Mr. Baranello on updates regarding the Panera/Rex Burger/Luigi's High Adventure fundraising.
- Applebees offers a pancake breakfast fundraiser where we are charged \$ pp but we are able to charge what we would like. The Herricks music boosters recently utilized this fundraiser technique and raised \$
- The pancake fundraiser on March 18th is for all the Seabase high adventure scouts. February Seabase scouts will receive a retroactive prorata refund. There will be an opportunity to sell tickets at the Herricks school on the 15th.

G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator:

January Ski Trip: The cabins are limited to 28 and 18 participants; helmets are required

February Cabin Trip: no update

March Cabin Trip: no update

H. Training Coordinator:

Wilderness Survival: scheduled for Jan 12 (7-10pm) and Jan 13 (8-4) at the Williston Park fire house. Those who just need a refresher only needs to attend the Jan 12th meeting. Those who are receiving the training for the first time need to attend both days. WFA books should be ordered for the new participants (\$19). The Red Cross certification costs \$7. Committee approved the purchase of 8 copies of the book (7 participants and 1 for Mr. Pollack). Mr. Pollack requested a laptop. Mr. Pollack also volunteered to prepare the 3rd high adventure first aid kit.

All adult leaders must get trained for their positions

I. Advancement Coordinator:

- No update above and beyond the Durland trip and Eagle Project updates.

J. Religious Emblem Coordinator:

New Religious Emblem Coordinator: We need to recruit a new Religious Emblem

Coordinator

K. Equipment Coordinator:

- Need an update on tents and other equipment
- No further updates

L. Website Coordinator: D. Martin has updated the website with the updated 2017-2018 calendar and Eagle scouts. Please visit the troop website at: www.troop201ny.com.

M. New Business:

- Troop 201 has been invited to participate in the Denton Health and Wellness night on Jan 31st. This will include setting up tents.
- Need volunteers for the upcoming pinewood derby on Jan 13th
- Mr. Russo submitted to be a snowsport merit badge counselor
- Mr. Pollock submitted to be a merit badge counselor for WFA, ePrep, and Wilderness Survival
- Agreed to change the upcoming 1/22 greenbar to a regular meeting.

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.