

Boy Scout Troop 201

Minutes of Committee Meeting 1/8/19

I. Opening of Meeting: Pledge of Allegiance

In attendance:

Juleigh Chin, Paula Cuomo, Danny Kim, David Martin, Debra Meyn, Monica Pavlidis, Marc Polanski, Mike Russo, Kevin Ryan

II. Reading of Reports:

A. Head of Charter Organization: No Report.

B. Troop Committee Chair: For rechartering, we will keep J. Brautigam on the charter one more year.

C. Troop Secretary:

- Latest scout count is 66 scouts which has been validated as part of the rechartering.

D. Scoutmaster: M. Russo reported:

- M. Russo will be working with boys for their snow sport merit badge at this month's ski trip weekend @ Acahela
- Eagle Scout Status:
 - a. Current Eagle candidate projects:
 - Peter C.'s report has been signed off - BOR to be schedule
 - 3 are in the BOR (Daniel R's has been signed off by Council; Brandon A and Chris S are in progress)
 - 4 are still with the SM (Corey M, Alex B, Jared M, Brandon M)
 - b. May 19th ECOH has been confirmed with the American Legion
 - There were 26 scout attendees at the January EOCH (low #) - need to continue to look for ways to improve involvement by the scouts
 - Using the RSVP approach for managing scout participation was helpful
- High Adventure:
 - a. Philmont 2019: Mr. Ryan has been working with Christine from Leading the Way tours (our operator in the past) to coordinate pickup, 2 nights hotel stay, meals, transfers, etc. We expect these additional portions of the Philmont trek will be approximately \$.
 - Currently 11 scouts and 5 adults have registered and there are openings for additional.
 - Outbound flights have been booked but the window to book the return flight hasn't opened yet.
 - We will need to organize a Wilderness FA session - K. Ryan to reach out to M. Pollack to coordinate
 - The Doans offered to help coordinate the fundraiser pancake breakfast.
 - Reminder that scouts participating in Philmont are required to work the breakfast or sell double the number of tickets

- JLOW: Mr. Martin suggested we consider alternatives to JLOW like NYLT or TLT.
- Next year's shotgun trip - still awaiting final commitment for this event

E. Troop Treasurer: The Troop must identify a replacement Treasurer for H. Zanetti who will be stepping down. D. Kim to reach out to B. Rapa who previously indicated willingness to take on the role (+she is an accountant).

F. Fundraiser Coordinator:

- J. Chin is working with the district on receiving the prize based on overall troop sale - there was confusion as to whether that choice would still be in effect for the past popcorn sale

G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator:

- November Harriman trip - some adults indicated that the driving directions were unclear.
- December Schiff trip - 1 scout still hasn't paid. Agreed to reserve the same 2 cabins for the 2019 December trip
- January ski trip - 34 scouts / 9 adults registered. A. Aguilar may be coming but can only drive his brother. Ski checkin at 8am

H. Training Coordinator:

- **ALL ADULTS must have new YPT by Charter Renewal**

I. Advancement Coordinator:

- At Adv Weekend, 22 rank advancement and over 500 individual requirements

J. Religious Emblem Coordinator: We need to recruit a new Religious Emblem Coordinator.

K. Equipment Coordinator:

- Committee approved purchasing 2 stoves
- Mr. Beacco identified a place that repairs tent zippers

L. Website Coordinator: No updates. Please visit the troop website at: www.troop201ny.com.

M. New Business:

- Order of the Arrow: Mr. Russo will solicit interest at the next greenbar meeting
- Mr. Martin asked about the bicycle merit badge including a bike ride around Manhattan
- The 201/202 Cub Scout Pinewood derby was rescheduled from the 12th.
- There are a number of scouts missing their medical forms - a reminder email is needed
- Mr. Koutsoftas will be leading 1 sledge for Klondike derby and we will lend our second to troop 8 with a joint training at the next Monday meeting
- REI is renting snowshoes - we will rent 6 pairs for the Minsi trip

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.