

# *Boy Scout Troop 201*

## *Minutes of Committee Meeting 10/8/19*

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

#### In attendance:

Lynn Aguiar, Yuri Aguiar, Christina DePaola, Jeffrey Helgeson, Danny Kim, Debra Meyn, Monica Pavlidis, Mike Russo, Kevin Ryan

### **II. Reading of Reports:**

#### **A. Head of Charter Organization:** No Report.

**B. Troop Committee Chair:** Informed committee of new BSA requirement for all adult leaders to physically sign background check releases or else they will not be allowed on the charter. Rechartering will be starting shortly and reminder that any adult who will attend more than 4 camp nights will need to be added to the charter (all adults attending overnights require YPT to participate).

#### **C. Troop Secretary:**

- No update - there are currently 58 registered scouts in the troop as of 10/7 taking into account non-responders and scouts who have aged out.

#### **D. Scoutmaster:** M. Russo presented the SM update:

- Eagle Scout Status:
  - a. Upcoming January ECOH (Dan R., Anthony G., Brandon A., Chris S.): American Legion has been reserved.
  - b. 3 Life scouts awaiting their Eagle BOR: Andrew C., Alex B., Corry M.
  - c. 3 Life scouts with near Eagle: Teddy K., Prerit C., Sebastian G.
  - d. 2 Life scouts with Eagle projects scheduled: Brandon M. (10/26), Jared M.

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- Clay shooting event: good event; club offered to let the scouts shoot for free if they helped with planting in Spring. Consider combining with camping at Baiting Hollow.
- Catamount trip: patrol lunch at Catamount worked out well. Taconic Park was closeby and the facilities were fine (\$28/site). Nooteming campsite has reportedly addressed their bug issues and could be a potential campsite for the next Catamount trip.

#### **E. Troop Treasurer:**

- Scoutmaster Russo provided cost analysis of last year's trips:
  - tent trips @ \$25 - we are typically over our costs by \$0-5: site @ \$5, cars @ \$10, and food @ \$13
  - cabin trips @ \$25 - we are typically over our costs by \$20-25.
  - Other troops don't charge the same price for cabin as tent trips
  - Committee agreed to raise the price of all trips after Alpine by \$5 and reconsider raising the annual renewal fee next year (in addition to increased national program cost)

**F. Fundraiser Coordinator:**

- J. Chin indicated that this year's popcorn sales will be all handled electronically with purchases delivered by the vendor rather than by pickup and delivery by scouts.

**G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator:**

- Holiday party choices: bowling, rock climbing, and Bounce. **To be raised at next greenbar**
- 2019 Summer Camp photo for the HCC display is still missing from Onteora
- Wreath pickup will be at 11/23 and set price of \$12 (this was the new price set last year). J. Chin and C. Zgombic have volunteered to coordinate.
- Alpine trip: approximately 19 scouts and 12 adults have registered. All adults require YPT training to stay overnight.
- M. Pavlidis contacted the Coast Guard at Jones Beach - there is construction happening and will be better in September.
- Scoutmaster Russo to ask at the next **greenbar meeting if there is interest in any high adventure trips this summer** (e.g., Seabase, Northern Tier, Summit)

**H. Training Coordinator:**

- D. Martin completed the Wood Badge training

**I. Advancement Coordinator:**

- Approximately 250 merit badges and approximately 12 rank advancements were achieved at summer camp
- The new online blue card system was ok
- Jack P. achieved Scout rank
- A number of scouts signed up for MB classes at Massapequa

**J. Religious Emblem Coordinator:** Laura Penfold volunteered to serve as Religious Emblem Coordinator. D. Martin. also volunteered to assist with the Religious Emblem

**K. Equipment Coordinator:**

- Implemented assigning tents to patrols for the whole season to improve accountability
- Implemented patrol menu plans with a template to help patrols plan their meals

**L. Website Coordinator:** Please visit the troop website at: [www.troop201ny.com](http://www.troop201ny.com).

**M. New Business:**

- Y. Aguiar and L. Aguiar presented the gift options and committee approved a first and second choice. The minimum quantity is 125 (we give away as gifts to the coaches at shotgun shooting as well as sell extras at fundraisers).

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