

# *Boy Scout Troop 201*

## *Minutes of Committee Meeting 12/06/2022*

*Meeting Held Virtually Via Zoom*

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

#### In attendance:

Kenneth Chao, Jeff Helgeson, Stephanie Helgeson, Chris Joneleit, Mike Keating, Nick Koutsoftas, David Martin, Monica Pavlidis, Beatriz Rapa

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

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

#### **B. Troop Committee Chair:**

- Chris Joneleit will be taking over as Committee Chairperson as of 1/1/2023
- Re-Chartering process will begin soon. Anyone with a YPT that is expired or about to expire will be contacted.

#### **C. Troop Secretary:** No update

#### **D. Scoutmaster:**

- Jeff Helgeson will be taking over as Scoutmaster as of 1/1/2023
- The backpack shake down at the meeting prior to the Harriman scheduled trip went well but the November trip to Harriman was cancelled due to inclement weather.
- Next scheduled trip is the Schiff Advancement weekend on December 9-11. This is a great time for the boys to work on requirements they need to move up in rank.
- On 11/4 we attend a Cub Pack 201 and 202 meeting at Denton Avenue to conduct our annual Cub Scout inspection and to talk to them about Troop 201 and what we are all about. We had 18 boys attend and they worked hard to teach the Cub Scouts some basic first aid, uniform requirements, and just to coral and keep their attention.
- Wreath pick up went well while a group of scouts also worked on replacing some fencing for the Legion. Scouts also sold wreaths during that time period and that was a big help in selling “troop wreath stock”
- The ECOH will be Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup> for Costa K., Ryan D., Michael B., and Aidan J. All scouts are required to attend and help with set up and clean up.
- Our holiday party will be at Bounce on December 20<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 – 9:00 pm.
- High Adventure
  - Philmont 2023: 2 crews with 5 adults and 6 boys in each crew at the moment. The total cost is about \$3,500/person. Payments will be due in December, February, April (\$700 each payment) and depending on final costs and Pancake Breakfast fundraiser, final payment in June will be calculated.
  - We are looking into a high adventure trip to Northern Tier for February 2024, reservations open in January so we will see if we get in, 7 people per crew. It would be a one week trip.

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

- Summary of the latest troop financials
  - Currently carrying a balance of \$18,216. Waiting for wreath money to be collected from the majority of the scouts.

**F. Fundraiser Coordinator:**

- Wreath pickup went well. We are learning from both the pickup and from the sale at St. Aidan's on November 27<sup>th</sup> things that we can do to improve the process next year. Boys need to pre-sell the majority of their 18 wreaths and St. Aidan's is where they can sell any remaining wreaths along with "troop stock", not where they sell all 18 of their wreaths. We are creating/growing a contact list that we will share with the boys next year to help with any pre-sells they need to make. Wreath money is due on January 9<sup>th</sup>. Remember any donations you receive should also be given to the troop when you turn in wreath money.
- The Pancake breakfast will be scheduled for 3/26 at the Albertson Firehouse. More to come as we get closer to the event.

**G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator:**

- We have 22 scouts and 12 dads scheduled for the Schiff trip. No reimbursement to drivers since this trip is on Long Island and no bridges are involved.
- January (Minsi Tabins) and February (Ski) trips have been booked. More information to come.
- Summer camp 2023 will be at Onteora, July 2 - July 8. We've reserved for 25 scouts. The early bird price will be \$300/scout.

**H. Training Coordinator:** No update**I. Advancement Coordinator:**

- We had 2 scouts advance after their recent BOR (one to star and one to life).
- This weekend at Schiff is important for anyone working on requirements and looking to advance.

**J. Religious Emblem Coordinator:** A class for Catholic religious emblem will be set up by council in January.

**K. Equipment Coordinator:** Tents were evaluated and anything that was broken has been discarded. Need a final count on tents from our Quartermaster. Some utensils need replacement, looking for anyone who wants to recycle cooking utensils from home to bring them in.

**L. Website Coordinator:** The Troop Calendar will be updated along with the minutes. Please visit the troop website at: [www.troop201ny.com](http://www.troop201ny.com).

**M. New Business:**

- Looking for help at the Klondike Derby on January 28<sup>th</sup>. Older scouts should attend this event.
- Cub Scouts are scheduling their Pinewood Derby days in January at the Community Center and we'll reach out to scouts to help.
- Looking for parents to help out at various events and join the committee. We will be approaching parents with specific asks to volunteer whenever we need extra help.

*Log on to the troop website at [www.troop201ny.com](http://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](http://www.trcbsa.org) for links to adult training, and information on programs offered by Shelter Rock District and the Theodore Roosevelt Council.*