

Boy Scout Troop 201

Minutes of Committee Meeting 1/3/2023

Meeting Held Virtually Via Zoom

I. Opening of Meeting: Pledge of Allegiance

In attendance:

Kenneth Chao, Jeff Helgeson, Stephanie Helgeson, Chris Joneleit, Christine Joneleit, Mike Keating, David Martin, Richard Martin, Monica Pavlidis, Duane Penfold, Beatriz Rapa

II. Reading of Reports:

A. Head of Charter Organization: No update

B. Troop Committee Chair:

- 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:

- Holiday party at Bounce was fun. We had 22 boys attend. They enjoyed having the entire place to themselves and no complaints on the activities or food. The water bottle gift was distributed and we hope boys will use them to carry their water bottles during hikes.
- Schiff Advancement weekend went well. We had 6 rank advancements and fire n' chit completed.
- There was a Pinewood Derby Tutorial given by Richard, Ian and Varnith. Received good feedback from the packs. Derby will be coming up on January 21st and will need scouts to help run the event that day.
- The ECOH will be Saturday, January 7th for Costa K., Ryan D., Michael B., and Aidan J. All scouts are required to attend and help with set up and clean up. We plan to present Mr. Ryan with his walking stick gift and we're updating the script.
- Klondike Derby will be on January 28th. We need a meeting to pull together teams. Older boys need to be encouraged to take the lead. Need to purchase more sticks for lashings.
- 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. Leaders and crews have been determined and Mr. Ryan will be invited to attend a meeting to give pointers on surviving Philmont.
 - Norther Tier in February 2024 – need to submit the dates we want to go by January 18th. It is a weekend dog sledding trip. Need to fly out on Thursday and return on Tuesday which means boys would miss school. Dates need to be determined – if we go during presidents' weekend that is one less day the boys miss school. Crews consist of 2 adults and 4-5 scouts max. Cost about \$8,000/crew. Need to discuss at our next meeting to get a headcount.

E. Troop Treasurer:

- Summary of the latest troop financials
 - Currently carrying a balance of \$32,137 due to deposits made from 2nd payment of Philmont. We'll be sending payments out soon to the tour company and purchasing tickets. Waiting for wreath money to be collected from the majority of the scouts.

F. Fundraiser Coordinator:

- Wreath money is due on January 9th. 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:

- January Minsi Tabins trip will be January 13-15. 20 people maximum can attend due to size of tabins. \$40 cost for scouts. Need to see weather conditions to determine if there is ice fishing and/or snow shoeing. Will need to rent snow shoes. Permission slips need to be returned on 1/9 – NO EXCEPTIONS. Need to make fire starters to bring to the trip
- February (Ski) trips have been booked. Pricing for trip coming soon, need to confirm with Jack Frost Ski Resort.
- Booked the cabin at Durland for the March trip to hold 30 people
- 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:

- Duane Penfold will be taking over as Advancement Coordinator starting 1/1/2023

J. Religious Emblem Coordinator: No update

K. Equipment Coordinator: Will rent snow shoes for Minsi as soon as we confirm conditions there.

L. Website Coordinator: The Troop Calendar will be updated along with the minutes. Please visit the troop website at: www.troop201ny.com.

M. New Business:

- Ask scouts to put together a “How to Clean Dutch Ovens” instruction sheet for website.

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.