Boy Scout Troop 201
Minutes of Committee Meeting 10/06/2026
Meeting Held Virtually Via Zoom

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

In attendance:
Stephanie Helgeson, Jeff Helgeson, Andrew Maiman, Rachel Lefkoff, David Martin, Richard Martin, Mike Lee, Tim Rolston, Jenny Rolston, Raymond Lie, Montoa Chopra, Argy Zervas, Richard Sin, Jomy Molakan, Anthony Wong, Melissa Hanna, Mike Hanna, Liz Dinda, Kristen Nolan, Robert Schenick, Seemeen Pathan

II. **Reading of Reports:**

A. Head of Charter Organization: No update.

B. Troop Committee Chair: No update.

C. Troop Secretary: We currently have 59 scouts (9 are siblings) and have more coming. Make sure we have emails for the boys, please send them in along with any parent who also wants to receive the weekly reminder emails. Troop dues are at $65 per scout. Class B starter kits at $60 for this year. Make sure we have updated medical forms.

D. Scoutmaster:

- Alpine is offering Winter Camp again for $325 (early bird price which expires 10/15), so we need to see who is interested and get 2 parents to attend. So far, we have 10 boys and 1 adult attending.
- Awards ceremony was well attended on 9/29.
- 100th Anniversary of Williston Park was a crowded, standing room only event. Many of our boys attended and had to line up in the hallway because of the crowds.
- This weekend will be our first trip – camping at West Hills and zipline at Adventure Park. Prep went well so hopefully everyone is ready to get back to camping.
- The Troop is still filling both boy leadership roles as well as adult leadership roles. We should have more information about the boys soon. And any parents interested in helping let us know.

E. Troop Treasurer:

- Current balance is $23K as of 9/31/2026. We reconciled Philmont expenses and will collect a payment of $93.96 from those who participated in Philmont 2026.

F. Fundraiser Coordinator: We are waiting for the price of the wreaths from Hicks Nursery to place our order. The wreath fundraiser supports the expenses the troop has throughout the year, purchasing supplies, badges, etc. Scouts need to sell 18 wreaths at $25 each. Siblings sell 12 wreaths at $25 each. Wreath pick up will be on 11/21 at the American Legion. The key is to presell wreaths so after picking them up you can assemble and deliver to customers. Any wreaths that a scout can't sell can be brought to St. Aidan's on 11/29 to sell, but scouts should not be showing up at St. Aidan's with all their wreaths (maximum of 5) because they should sell their wreaths prior. If wreaths are not sold scouts are still responsible to turn in the total amount (18*$25=$450) due to the troop.

G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator:

- We have 24 boys and 4 adults going to West Hills/Zipline this weekend. And we needed a few extra parents to help with the driving on Friday night, Saturday and then Sunday morning.
- November will be the backpacking trip to Harriman. Permission slip is coming soon.

- December – we need to book a large cabin for advancement weekend. Both Durland, Schiff and Baiting Hollow do not have availability on the weekend of 12/12, but we may be able to get one of them 12/5. Otherwise, we'll look at Alpine.
- January we will have the day event with Klondike Derby
- February is the tabin trip to Minsi. We need to book those tabins by end of this month before we lose them.
- March we are hoping to go to SUNY Maritime for their weekend scout event.
- April will be backpacking to Harriman.
- May is Whitewater Rafting
- June may be a shotgun trip.

H. Training Coordinator: A Disabilities Merit Badge will be offered at the Viscardi Center on 11/7 if anyone is interested and doesn't go to Harriman.

I. Registration Coordinator: Renewals due for those expiring in October. New transfer scouts are coming in and being accepted in the system.

J. Advancement Coordinator:

- Badges were given out at the Awards Ceremony. The new boys are off to a good start. Remember to tell the boys to mark information into their books to be able to advance.

K. Religious Emblem Coordinator: Melissa Hanna will take over as Religious Coordinator

L. Equipment Coordinator: Container was cleaned up and each patrol box has everything it needs for the rest of the year for camping. Hopefully, everything will stay organized in the boxes and in the container. An extra patrol box and stove was purchased. Need to order freeze dried meals and water for Harriman. Looking to purchase 2 folding tables to be used on trips and other scout events. Looking at bigger gas canisters, which would be refillable too.

M. Website Coordinator: Mrs. Dinda will attend the Green Bar meeting to get ideas on what the boys want, posted and where. Will get the passwords for the Instagram account, Flicker and Facebook. Will work with the newspaper to highlight our events and accomplishments.

N. New Business: No new business.

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 Theodore Roosevelt Council.