

Troop 64 Committee Meeting August 18, 2008

In attendance: Terry Clift, Diane Fuhrman, Jill Frost, Deb Ramstad, Dora Clark, Angela Lightcap, Fran Stutts, Cindy and Carl Qualls, Ackie LeDuff and Rahonda Moore.

Outdoor Chairperson: Dora reported that there were 14 scouts at last weekend's Bash at Garland. Mostly this camp out was for fun but some boys completed requirements such as cooking, planning meals, etc. The troop received a clean campsite award (beads).

The church work day is scheduled for Aug 30 from 9:00-12:00 or 1:00. Brad will find out if this needs to be rescheduled since it's Labor Day weekend.

Challenge is scheduled for 9/13 at Garland. The troop is camping 9/12-9/14. Register for events with Brad by 8/29.

Akela Family Camp is going to be one day, Oct. 25th only. Our troop is responsible for the evening campfire. Boys should be there by 1:00 and stay until the campfire is over (9:00'ish). Diane suggested that some patrols may want to camp as a patrol near camping packs and/or parents.

A backpacking trip is tentatively scheduled for Nov. 1-2 (this could change depending on when our popcorn fundraiser is being held) at Caney Creek Tr. in Arkansas.

Diane asked Brad about whether he has looked into camping at Preston Hunt this winter. He will check on that.

Fundraising/Popcorn kernel: Our money earning form was approved by the council regarding the popcorn sales at First Baptist's fall festival. (See July minutes for details). The date of that festival is either Oct. 31 or Nov. 1. Individuals may still sell scout popcorn and that will begin mid Sept. Individual popcorn that was sold will require pick up Nov. 8.

Treasurer's Report: Diane reported that we have a current balance of \$2,613.06. Much of this money is allocated to future expenses such as t-shirts, scout accts., etc. \$726.16 is available.

\$200 was spent on "incentive" gifts. At last month's meeting there were only 2 boys who qualified for an incentive trip so the committee voted for the boys to receive gift cards. Then Brad re-tallied the data, omitting the service projects b/c attendance was not taken at many of the events. This allowed 8 more boys to qualify for the incentive. This was approved via email and 10 boys were then awarded gift cards. Better attendance records will be taken this next year.

\$562.44 in camping equipment is being purchased. Not all is in and paid for at this time.

\$10 was paid by scouts for the Bash, but not all funds were used. The leftover monies will be put back in the scouts' individual accts. If you want to know how much is in your scout's acct. feel free to ask Diane.

Quartermaster Report: Brad reported that some of the equipment purchased recently included: dining flies, milk crates to lift chuck boxes, rubber mallets, rope and tent pegs.

The last day to order and pay for t-shirts will be August 25—final deadline!

Membership is currently 27 active scouts.

There are several scoutmaster conferences pending as well as merit badges that need awarding. Here is a tentative schedule of the next month...

August 19 & 26-Brad will be conducting Scoutmaster conferences

Sept. 1-No meeting

Sept 8-Boards of review

Sept. 15—Court of Honor

September 22-Committee meeting

Youth leader elections will be held next week, Aug. 25. After the elections have been held, Jerry will conduct the troop youth leader training. This will be held Sept. 7, 2-5 pm at the church.

In 2009 Brad would like to begin following the monthly themes designated by the council roundtable.

The first payment (\$50) for Sid Richardson is needed by the end of this month. This is for year 3+ scouts who are planning to go to Sid Richardson summer camp next summer.

Everyone should have gotten a flyer about Camp Turkey. The troop is not attending but any one who wants to attend may do so. The council provides leadership if you want to go.

The next adopt-a-road is scheduled for Sept. 28.