

Committee Meeting Notes 5-7-17.

5-530 pm (with John)

Attendance: Johannah Murphy, Amy Klempner, Kathryn Robertson, Andy Squire, Jim Commeree, Rip Lee, Bill Burns, Donna Lorge, John Mirvish (1st half)

1) Communication: Best way to reach parents? Best way to reach scouts—put on PLC agenda tonight. **Jim and now John are working with scouts to make sure they are notifying their patrols of upcoming events, scouts are supposed to be copying Mr. Mirvish and Patrick in any text or email sent to patrol members. Check on them monthly—they may not get credit for full 6 month position if they are not notifying other patrol members.**

2) Patrol Rosters—Distributed via hard copy at COH and by email the following day. This has phone number and emails of all scouts. New scouts in bacon patrol. Will activate to remind of swim test, then elections.

3) Tour and Activity plans. A FAQ is available

at <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/TourPlanFAQ.aspx>

BSA insurance still covers unit activities. Although BSA is discontinuing Tour Plans, it is still the responsibility of the unit leaders to make sure that the unit plans ahead and conducts its outings in accordance with BSA policies. Since the buck stops with me on this and for these reasons - and also because Camping MB teaches boys to prepare plans - we are not going to change anything with respect to requiring Scouts / ASMs to prepare trip plans and submit them to me for approval before any trips. The only change is that they do not need to file anything with Council. **We will not submit to council but will follow same procedure of filling out a trip plan.**

4) Summer Camp—Dan, adults attending Andy, Mark, Tony and Leanne. Finalize numbers and payment-**Jim needs to know how much 4th adult is. finalize transportation-Donna will check with Leanne regarding trailer—if we need to rent one, will look into UHAUL prices, Andy can tow trailer of gear. Merit badge pre-req? Procedure for MB selection-These two things will be emailed to scouts by Mr. Thiennussun and gone over at May 21st meeting. Troop tshirts will be brought to May 21st meeting by Mrs. Robertson. Cell phones will be allowed in cars to and from camp—but not at camp.**

5) Summer Meetings—**These are added so we can remain active during summer and support 2- 6 month scout positions per year. June 10th-reschedule of Bike trip up GW trail, June 11th COH, June 25th meeting/July 9-16th summer camp, July 19-31 Philmont, July 23rd - meeting/August 13th Scout Day at the Nats, 25-27 August-Assateague campout**

6) Closing out PORS and elections May 21st, **Plan to implement positions at June 11th COH. It was suggested that we formally award scout with position patch as well as give parent and scout a copy of new responsibilities (one copy signed by parent and scout). Will not elect Den Chief and troop guide, these are appointed if needed.**

7) Merit Badges-Blue card procedure-**Scout will ask John to begin badge and when he says yes—the scout will tell Mrs. Murphy who will type blue card and bring to next meeting. MB counselor list. Communication (Johannah) finishing and family life (Allison) will begin, any others like Personal Fitness? Publish list to scouts do they can contact us over the summer to start badges(not discussed).**

8) Annual Planning Meeting: Sunday June 4th-Scouts should come prepared with ideas/information.

Activities Completed/Coming Up:

A) Westmoreland Lake Campout (debrief)-John and then go to PLC(not discussed)

530-6 PM B) Burke Lake Campout(debrief)-Tony (Not discussed)

C) Canoe Trip May 21-22(Bill), deadline to sign up is May 7th. **Today last day to sign up, much planning has gone into this with Evan and Mr. Burns. Sharing a google doc. Permission slip out soon. Currently 8 scouts and 7 adults going plus one adult(Mr. Lee) to ferry them back to campsite from end of float trip. 17 mile trip.**

D) All Troop Swim Test May 9th 7-9 pm Mount Vernon Rec-Doug

E)Flag Placement-May 27th 9-11 am Alexandria National Cemetery-Allison-Time is 9:30 am-Class A uniform

F)Finances and Treasurer Report-Jim Procedure for approval of items over \$200.00—all items over \$200.00 must be brought to committee for vote before spending. Need to close and finalize camp payment, vote on Philip Pham (new SPL) attending NYLT with troop funds—voted and it passed—who will sign Philip up? Balance \$12,600, have about \$9400 available to carry to fall—but need to think about fundraising. It was suggested that we have two troop wide fundraisers—Wreaths in fall (\$3000 profit) and shredding truck in Spring. Discussed having an ASM help Jim with troop finances as this is part of JTE scorecard.

G) Equipment-Rip-Nothing to report

H) Miscellaneous Cyber Chip-need to update this annually and show movie and possibly have game if others need to teach younger scouts about it and electronics policy for troop—ok in cars for travel, turned off and stowed with leader at campouts. Need to ask parent May 21st if they would like to oversee this.

Triple Number Troop patches(50)—Will offer to current adults and scouts at \$6.00 each at May 21st meeting, will give to four new scouts at June COH.

Adult Square Knot Awards-Handout

Online Training-Link sent by John in April 30th email

Troop Guideline Revision- 1-2 adults to help with this, Donna will try to have it ready and add bylaws by May 21st parent meeting.

Quarterly Parent Meeting-before Summer Camp?/May 21st Parent meeting to explain troop procedures request merit badge counselors.

District Events:

Wednesday, May 10th-Roundtable and Program launch 730-9:00 pm Aldersgate UMC 1301 Collingswood RD Alexandria

District Award Dinner -May 24th-Heritage Presbyterian Church 8503 Fort Hunt Road-\$22.00 per person, must make reservation. Senior Scouts helping with district pinewood derby will be sponsored.
<https://scoutingevent.com/?OrgKey=BSA082&calendarID=57112>

Wednesday, June 14th-Colonial District Roundtable 730-9

Intro to Outdoor leader skills for all ASM's June 14th-classroom, June 16-17 5 pm-5 pm campout in Lorton Sign up here:

<https://scoutingevent.com/082-11050> and <https://scoutingevent.com/?OrgKey=BSA082&calendarID=78154>