

Troop 286 Committee Meeting
Monday, December 2, 2013, 7:30 PM

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Chair's Report

- Recharter status 2014

Scoutmaster's Report

Eagle Status Report

- Dibble
- Parker
- Congi

Finance Report

- Treasurer
- Bottle Return

Quartermaster's Report

- Jambo Gear Status

Program Report

- Lasertron – 12/6-7
- No Sledding, Jan.
- Klondike Derby, Feb.
- Snowshoeing, Feb.

Training

Other Committee Member Reports

CONTINUING BUSINESS

- By-Laws: Dues/Camperships/Abandoned Accounts
- By-Laws: White Buffalo Scholarships

NEW BUSINESS

CONCLUSION

Dues Policy:

- 1) Dues are payable at the first Troop meeting in December (unless another date is specified). If a scout's dues are not paid, and he has money in his scout account, that money will be used toward payment of his dues.
- 2) In the year a scout turns 18, his dues will be pro-rated, with him paying for registration/insurance, plus 1/12 of the remaining dues (rounded up to the next dollar) for each month prior to the month his birthday falls in. For example, if his birthday is in April, he will pay three months' worth of dues, plus registration/insurance.
- 3) A special dues exception may be made for advanced scouts who may have minimal troop involvement. After the scout's registration/insurance cost is paid, he may attend regularly scheduled troop meetings at the Charter Organization, Eagle Scout projects, courts of honor, etc. For events where there is a cost associated, paid either by the unit or the scout, such as camp outs, out meetings, etc., the scout may attend for the cost of the event plus an additional \$10. The scout will also be responsible for paying for any awards that he may earn. Any additional cost, plus awards that the troop would normally pay for, will not exceed the cost of annual dues. This is not intended to be an alternative to full payment of dues, but is intended to keep scouts who are knowledgeable and skilled, and may have commitments elsewhere, involved in the troop.
The following will be taken into account when making a Special Exception for Advanced Scouts:
 - Scout has shown commitment by holding a leadership position of responsibility (PL, ASPL, SPL)
 - Scout has shown commitment by earning a rank higher than First Class (Star, Life or Eagle)
 - Scout has commitments outside of scouting that support scouting's values
 - Scout is 14 or has finished 8th grade
 - Scout is dually registered, with another unit being his primary unit (Venture Crew, Sea Scouts, Varsity Team)
 - Granting of this privilege is subject to Committee approval; this privilege may be revoked at any time
- 4) Scouts are registered through December 31; those that have not paid dues or made arrangements to pay dues will be dropped from the charter and will be ineligible for scout activities and awards starting on January 1.

Abandoned Scout Accounts:

Money left in scout accounts when a scout leaves the Troop will be held for that scout until the scout has not been registered with the Troop for a year. (In other words, the scout is inactive, has been dropped from the charter, and is not reinstated during rechartering the following year.) At that time, those funds can be considered available to be placed in the Troop campership fund. Once funds are allocated to the campership fund they can only be restored to the scout with committee approval.

Campership Policy:

To ensure that all scouts have an equal opportunity for participation in Summer Camp, GNFC provides camperships for GNFC scouts who wish to attend a GNFC summer camp, but are unable to pay the full camp fee. When we camp "out-of-Council," those campership funds are not available to our scouts, and the Troop will attempt to fill the void. In certain cases, the Troop may also supplement a GNFC campership.

Camperships will be approved by a Campership Subcommittee, taking into account the following information (on an anonymous basis):

- Financial need
- Whether the scout has been active in the Troop
- Whether the scout has participated in offered fundraising opportunities
- Whether dues have been paid
- Whether the scout has received Troop camperships in the past

Every effort should be made to have camperships finalized in time to take advantage of any early payment discounts and to avoid any late fees charged on camp payments.

Troop Campership Application

Camperships are made available on the basis of available funds and verified individual need. Information provided on the campership application is CONFIDENTIAL.

Scout's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Size of family: #Youth _____ #Adults _____

How many Scouts in your household are going to camp this year? _____

Did you apply for or receive a Campership last year? Yes / No (circle one)

If yes, list amount received \$ _____

The ninth part of the Scout Law is "A Scout is THRIFTY." A Scout works to pay his own way. The scout should do what he can to help his family provide him with this camping experience, as a character building opportunity to learn the importance of being THRIFTY. Please describe what the scout has done to earn a portion of his camp fee, including Troop fundraisers in which he has participated this year:

How much of the camp fee can your family afford to pay? \$ _____

How much assistance are you requesting? \$ _____ (Note: There are no full Camperships)

What is your approximate household yearly gross income?

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Under \$20,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$40,000 - \$49,999.99 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$20,000 - \$29,999.99 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000 - \$59,999.99 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$30,000 - \$39,999.99 | <input type="checkbox"/> Over \$60,000 |

Explanation of need – Please provide as much detail as possible. Attach additional pages if needed: _____

I certify that all of the information contained in this application is true and correct

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

James Peters' White Buffalo Scholarship Award Process

1. A scout will be eligible to receive an award prior to attending NYLT – White Buffalo.
2. A scout will be eligible to receive additional reimbursement for the year following attendance at NYLT – White Buffalo, by fulfilling the Youth Leader Attendance Policy.
3. A scout will only be eligible for reimbursement by fulfilling the Youth Leader Attendance Policy whether he holds a designated youth leadership position or not.
4. A scout will be evaluated and may be eligible for reimbursement after 6 months of service, generally in February, and monthly thereafter.
5. The Troop Committee may adjust the award, reimbursement, and timeline on an individual basis should a situation arise.

http://www.scouts286.org/troop/wp-content/uploads/Youth_Leader_Attendance_Policy.pdf

http://www.scouts286.org/troop/wp-content/uploads/White_Buffalo_Scholarship.pdf