

Meeting called to order @ 7:00

Committee Member Reports-

Chair's Report-Jason Crosby

-Committee Roles-

Good feedback from people, Jason is waiting to hear from people about filling other roles. He hopes to split roles into 3 groups-finance, program and membership subcommittees
-would like to get more parents involved in various roles.

Treasurer's Report- Christine McGinniss

Check received from Pack 286 for scouts that crossed over.
Unsure if scouts from Pack 202 have scout accounts and if any of their money will be coming over.
Christine needs to know if any of the new scouts want to go to summer camp.
With adjustments, currently \$700 over budget. Costs include various awards, rising costs at council, active kids getting many badges.

Quartermaster's Report- Bob Parker

Requested \$ for new cast iron griddle. Approved. Payment will be made via Wal-Mart gift cards earned from popcorn sales. Gift cards will be given to Bob Parker, troop will pay difference that gift cards don't cover.

Bob needs plans for Patrol boxes, still planning on building 6 boxes.

9 Mile Island Troop service project needs to be completed – trimming road and paths (same as last year- completed in the fall of 2011). Bob suggested a campout to go along with this- 3/24/12 or 4/21/12 suggested as possible dates - will be discussed further with Mark and Bob.

Scoutmaster's Report- Mark Oetinger

-Eagle Projects: Valeri, Steward, Gradle, Lee, Oetinger

Alex Gradle and Sean Steward will be having their Eagle Ceremony at the Charter Dinner
Steve Valeri has until October to fill out paperwork, project is done

Chess Lee has project planned – clearing areas at @ 9 Mile Island on 2/25, 2/26, 9-5.

Rob Mol has picked dates for his Eagle project (doors on cabinets, painting hallway @ BCC)-
2/21, 2/22 9-3

Austin Oetinger will be painting some rooms behind altar.

-National Jamboree-

Recruiting strongly- at least 8 from this troop signed up. Dan Dahlke will also be registered as a Care Giver (will address kids with special needs).

Dan suggested a group fundraising project to help Scouts raise money. – Camperships are available at the National level.

Dan is also thinking of helping the boys to prepare for the physical demands of the Jamboree by organizing a group nutrition and exercise program.

Question- regarding payment to Jamboree from boys with money in scout account. Christine can give check to family from scout account to cover costs and payments of Jamboree. No payment is due when you register.

-Blue and Gold Dinner/Webelos Cross Over- 2/12 2:30pm

Mark attended both Packs 286 and 202 Crossovers. 286 and 202 will be recruiting heavily for Tigers- neither Pack had Tigers this year. Question as to how to help Packs (advertising, recruiting)- 286 is looking for a Webelos Den leader and a Tiger leader. Our Troop may have to help with roundup. If anyone is interested in becoming a Webelos leader- let Mark know. Eric Nagle offered to help 286 and 202 with recruiting techniques.

12 new scouts crossed over from these Packs. 10/12 registrations received. All scouts will get awards at Charter dinner. New scouts were divided into 2 patrols-Justin Dibble and Francis Boeck selected as Interim Patrol leaders.

Publicity Chairman- Eric Nagle

Domain name is reserved. (www.scouts286.org) Eric needs names and addresses for those that are involved with it. (Dan B. and Connor S). Eric can set it up and the boys can update it. Eric needs a time to sit down with them and go over this. Eric will try to transfer old stuff from old website to new website. Decision on Facebook page for Troop- PLC has a FB page- they can run it, but it needs adult supervision. Chess and Brandon are doing this.

Eric suggested several different subgroups for emailings, creating an email newsletter, and a Troop FB page.

Fundraising Chairperson- Phil Yarnes

Zebb's Fundraiser- approx. 150 tickets given out, need more participation from Scouts. Linda and Phil will make an announcement at the Charter dinner, tickets will be available that night also.

Jason will send email again about fundraiser, Eric will put together suggestions for the Scouts to use when selling tickets.

Every boy that sells at least 10 tickets will earn a reward of choice. These rewards will include a chance to sleep in, no KP, or no water duty on a future camping trip, or something from the Grab Bag.

Upcoming Activities-

*Chartering Dinner is scheduled for 2/27 @ 6 pm. Boys working on the Public Speaking Merit Badge will be speaking during the dinner to complete requirements.(Jason has organized this- 3 minute speeches from each Scout) There will be 2 Eagle presentations that night, with an abbreviated ceremony. Phil Yarnes has volunteered to run the dinner.

All awards are ready. Each scout will get a list of their awards. Some special awards will be given out. Asst. Scout master patches to be handed out. Agenda is confirmed, State of Troop is prepared.

Food and Set Up –

Golden Donuts are service patrol- responsible for set up (@ 5) and Fox patrol to do clean up

Dan D also volunteered to come early to open church and set up

Mark will send email to families with sign up list.

Phil will buy all food needed. Roast Beef sandwiches will be provided by Troop.

Christine suggested increasing yearly donation to church to \$250 - approved.

*Boston Trip (4/11-4/15) -. Cost is still approximately \$150 per scout.

*No-Sledding Campout this weekend (2/17-2/19) at Scouthaven-Scouts must bring helmets. Jason will send email to Scouts going. Approximately 5 adults and 13 scouts going.

*Deep-Fried Campout – March 13-15- Schoelkopff- Sikes Cabin; PLC is planning activities for this

*District Pinewood Derby- 3/25 @ GM plant- Scouts will be needed to help, sign up sheet to come

*Good Turn for America- March 31- Maple Road Tops- more information to come

*Spring District Camporee- Woodlawn Beach- May 18-service projects and other activities in conjunction with Hamburg town council.

*University of Scouting is March 3rd at ECC- see GNFC site for more information(www.wnyscouting.org)

Candy Bars- Lisa will report on Scouts that owe money, or candy bars. Phil will follow up on this

Question for discussion- Are facilities here at BCC adequate as Troop gets bigger. Any ideas for new places to meet? Look into setting up the room differently to better accommodate the growing number of Scouts. Service patrol to set up room each week- may need to take tables down instead of just moving them. Do we need to instill more discipline to control Troop as it expands? After set up- gathering activity (scout skill or game) should be initiated to keep Scouts occupied.

PLC is already planning some of these. Activities include- knots, knot relay, basic first aid. Use Patrol Leaders and older boys to gather boys and keep them on task.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Sternin