

**Troop 286 Committee Meeting**  
**Monday, March 19, 2012, 7:30 PM**

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

**Chair's Report**

Jason thanked Christine McGinniss for her many years of service as troop treasurer. Maureen Dahlke is now the troop treasurer.

**Scoutmaster's Report**

• Eagle Scout Projects

Chess completed his project on Saturday. Rob Mol needs hiking requirement. Austin will be doing his project at the church this Saturday March 24<sup>th</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup> from 9-5. He is asking for volunteers to help.

12 new scouts have joined, 2 new patrols were formed- 1 lead by Francis Boeck with Ryan P as his assistant- Mongoose patrol. The other patrol is lead by Justin Dibble with no assistant chosen yet. 3 scouts from Pack 529 were added to the Wolf patrol. The Penguin patrol has lost a few members. Most patrols are at 8 Scouts, there is currently a total of 7 patrols.

PLC continues to meet and plan, they are trying to stick to a schedule. They voted not to have a game at future Scout meetings, but stick to skill development.

The next out-meeting will be on Wednesday March 28th at Jefferson Elementary from 6:30-9 for dodgeball and basketball. No Monday meeting that week.

Boston Big City Trip- approximately 30 people going. There are concerns that we are over capacity for cabin occupancy. Suggestion that some may stay in tents outside the cabin, or stay in a hotel. Mark is working on logistics for having enough cars/transportation for all to go. Mark needs people's information on cars, insurance, who is going with whom, etc.

**Treasurer's Report**

Maureen created a Scribe's log that PJ is using now to document \$ collected. Transaction log was also created, along with a summary of bank's transactions. Maureen found an online program - a scout account tracker so each will know how much is in their account. A backup disc of accounting information was given to Jason. Budget was passed around. Additions were made to the budget to account for noncash income (gift cards) and the Pancake breakfast fundraiser.

Question about the money budgeted for patrol boxes, which was really part of last year's budget. Money is available, will go under equipment. Cost is approximately \$250 for 2 patrol boxes/kits that are to be built. A motion was presented to add \$250 to equipment and supplies budget - passed.

**Quartermaster's Report**

• Patrol Box

Ken Kuschke made a presentation of the materials needed for the patrol boxes. Concerns with time needed for building patrol boxes that will be needed for May campout. Ken gave out a proposed list of supplies needed for patrol boxes and to buy plastic bins instead of building patrol boxes. Prices on list are Wal-Mart prices. Wal-Mart has "Sight to store" free shipping. You can order all supplies on line and have them shipped to one store. Cost for supplies for each patrol box at this time is approximately \$110 minimum, but this does not include consumable materials. Families will be asked for donations or old materials they may have at home. Reminder that purchases for Boy Scouts is tax exempt.

Current supplies- the Troop has approximately 4 complete Camp Cook kits.

Eric Nagle will look into asking Wal-Mart for community donations to purchase supplies.

Suggestion made to make 1 patrol box (this will be the adult kit) to see the finished project. (Reminder that boys are not allowed to use power tools.) Kevin S and Bob P will make this.

Ken will put together one kit made with totes, and a comparison will be made to decide which is the way to go.

Cast iron griddles were found at Aldi's. A suggestion was made to purchase some of these for the Patrol Boxes.

## Program Report

- March, Deep Fried Campout- great hit! Service project and Eagle projects completed
- Boston Trip- 4/11 – 15 (see Scoutmaster's report)
- Spring Camporee- 5/18-20 @ Woodlawn Beach, Hamburg- it is a service weekend, beach blast theme. It will include a pig roast, and optional camping on the beach.
- Claim Jumper - 6/ 15-17 Tell Mark if anyone knows of Troops that want to participate
- Ten Commandments Hike, 4/28- Kenmore, cost is \$8/participant. Go to a series of different churches. The theme is "Heroes and Heroines of the Bible." This is for all levels of scouting (Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts). See Eric Nagle for info.
- 9 mile Invitational – 4/27-29 medieval theme- Competitions include shooting, knife throwing, ax throwing, archery
- • Lose the Training Wheels, 6/25-29 Hosted by the Developmental Disabilities Alliance of Western New York (Camp Site: Cheektowaga Central HS, behind the Galleria Mall). Volunteer opportunity for Scouts to earn Service Hours. Week-long program will take place at Cheektowaga Central. Scouts can contact Linda Sternin or Karen Marafino at [wnylearntoride@yahoo.com](mailto:wnylearntoride@yahoo.com) or visit [www.ddawny.org](http://www.ddawny.org) or [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) to participate or volunteer
- • Fantasy Island KOA campout \$13.95 Dates available in June/July and August. Looking for someone to coordinate this event.

## Other Committee Member Reports

### University of Scouting

#### CONTINUING BUSINESS

- Candy Bars- Jason will follow up with Lisa Mol.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Future Committee Meetings- Wednesdays or Mondays? Decision was made to keep Committee meetings on the First Monday meeting of each month.

\*Many people have not had committee training. Email John Kerwin if you have had committee training. If you haven't, please try to do so.

\*Board of reviews will be second meeting of each month.

\*Summer camp- camperships available through troop. Scouts are not eligible through council this year due to Camp Ditmer being out of district.

\*Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser@ Zebb's- Linda S reported that 22 Scouts participated, 175 tickets/breakfasts were sold, Scouts made a profit of \$712.

Next Committee Meeting will be Monday, April 2, 2012

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Sternin