

## Troop 286 Committee Meeting

Monday, March 3, **2014**, 7:30 PM

Members in attendance: Maureen Dahlke, Jason Crosby, Eric Nagel, Lisa Gilmartin, Dennis Gilmartin, Rich Reardon, Christine McGinniss, Philip Yarnes, Linda Sternin, Polly Archibald

### COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

#### Chair's Report

Membership Chair-looking for a membership chair for Troop. This person's job is to welcome and talk to new scouts and families, etc. See description below.

#### Scoutmaster's Report-

Sea Base nomination-The troop didn't win the lottery for attending this High Adventure Camp in the Florida Keys over Spring break 2015. Some slots are open for the Summer of 2015.The trip will run about \$1500. The Troop is responsible for organizing our own airfare and travel. Crew size is 6-8 people. There are different programs available: stay on a ship and do snorkeling and fishing; landbased- has different itineraries; Sailboat- must have whole crew attending from same Troop. Restrictions for participants- must be at least first class, blue swimmer.

#### Eagle Status Report

- Dibble - All paperwork is in and received. Justin's Eagle BOR is scheduled for Thursday March 13th at 7:30 at BCC. Lisa Gilmartin, Jason, and Mark will attend as representatives of our Troop. Any other committee members are invited also.
- Parker-His Eagle project was worked on 2 weeks ago. He had a lot of help from friends, Scouts, Church Youth committee members and family. Lisa Gilmartin commented that Brandon did a great job and was well prepared. The project was completed, Brandon just has the write up to do. He must get this done before April 3<sup>rd</sup> (as he is leaving for Germany). (Way to go Brandon!!)
- Congi- Needs to finish requirements. He has project and the cooking merit badge to go.  
PJ Schmidt? Hasn't started his project or his paperwork yet, but is getting close.

#### Looking for Candidates for White Buffalo

#### Finance Report

- Treasurer- Popcorn is DONE! \$6400 in checking account. Cost to Troop was \$118.62, \$375 was budgeted . Bottom line for end of the year balance will probably be about \$2000. Late report on Adirondacks trip, looks like it will be slightly under budget. Still waiting for some expenses.
  - Charter Dinner was under budget. Awards under budget. Campsite fees under budget. Weekend campouts under budget. Albany was over budget. Equipment /supplies is under budget.
- Bottle Return- dates have been set. Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> will be the date for the distribution of the fliers/doorhangers. The following Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> will be the Can and Bottle Drive. Times are to be determined. Angel Beiter should have the routes needed. Ken Kuschke will do the printing for us.

-Camp Cards- Linda has the cards and they are available for distribution. They are available in packs of 10, cost is \$5 each. Scouts earn \$2/card sold. A Show 'N Sell date has been set up inside the Walden Galleria Mall in front of Dick's Sporting Goods on April 26<sup>th</sup>. A sign up sheet will be available at the next meeting.

-Candy Bar sale- Christine checked out prices of candy bars at BJs. Mostly it can be a 50% profit. Christine will work up an order form. Have to turn in \$ before you get more. It is recommended that Scouts have 2 box limit, but it can be negotiated. If Scout has \$ in scout account, they may be able to take more if wanted. Have to sign for the candy. Not bound by minimum order size by getting candy from BJS, as opposed to Fowlers or Niagara Candy. Wont' have cases

sitting around. A person can order candy bar 1 week, and get candy the following week. Christine is thinking of selling September-June. Be careful of cutting into popcorn sales. Sue Walker and Christine McGinniss are chairing this event. Jason gave Christine a tax exempt form to use. Order forms to be available next week. Candy sale will go until May.

Quartermaster's Report - Equipment is not being returned and organized after campouts. This needs to change.

#### Program Report

- Deep-Fried Iron Scout, Mar. 14-16 @ 9 Mile Island
- OA Election, Mar.24<sup>th</sup>, Will will be talking to Scouts to see who is interested.
- NYC, Apr. 12-15. Parent Meeting for those going to NYC will take place on March 24<sup>th</sup> during the Troop meeting. Dan Dahlke will be running this meeting.
  - April 5<sup>th</sup>, Good Turn for America. Our Troop will be at Tops on Maple.
- Zombie Apocalypse, May
- OA Section Conclave
- Claimjumper

#### Training

- NYLT – White Buffalo 2014
- Trained Leaders- need to be fully trained this year. This does not include Asst. Scout Masters in College.
- Powderhorn 2014 “sign up, it’s fun”

#### Other Committee Member Reports

Schedule is available for BORs. If you are on the schedule and can't do it, it is your responsibility to find someone else on the committee to fill in for you.

Bank statements-Should be seen by at least 2 people in the Troop. This is happening for our Troop. Jason receives the statements and gives them to Maureen (the treasurer).

Insurance Responsibilities For a Troop trip- driver's personal insurance is responsible. At scout event/campout, scout's insurance is responsible. At Council event, council is liable.

From U of Scouting-Dennis attended a course on safety and basic survival skills. The presenter was a man from Canada, who said he would give a presentation to our Troop. Dennis gave the man's business card to Jason.

#### CONTINUING BUSINESS

- By-Laws: Electronics Policy- if we make changes, they have to go back to PLC and SPL/APL for approval. Maureen suggested that we add a part regarding privacy rules, guide to safe scouting, digital images. This policy will continue to be repeated to scouts at meetings and campout. A final version will be sent out. Policy approved.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Boards of Review Schedule was given out.

#### CONCLUSION

## **Unit Membership Chairman Principal Responsibilities**

*Meet with the unit leaders and committee monthly to discuss membership goals and retention.*

*Conduct recruitment/Scouting promotion events per year to ensure unit growth using the peer-to-peer recruitment method.*

*Distribute membership fliers to schools and churches in the unit's area.*

Conduct Scouting rallies and boy talks in schools, leveraging council support when needed.

Attend the district's membership chair training sessions, which will focus on best practices.

Have your unit be involved in the required amount of Adopt-a-School service or community service projects needed for Scouting's Journey to Excellence score.

*Ensure that new youth and adult applications along with funds are completed and turned into the council service center within a week after receipt of the applications.*

Work with the unit committee to ensure the unit reaches Scouting's Journey to Excellence gold status in membership.

*Update the unit's BeAScout pin and follow up with leads.*

*Have your unit participate in a fall and spring recruitment plan.*

Work with the district transition chair to encourage youth to transition to the age-appropriate program as they grow older.

Have an annual customer satisfaction survey done with current Scout families.

## **Council Membership/Relationship Chairman**

Direct the work of the membership/relationships committee. Use monthly membership reports and Journey to Excellence council, district, and unit reports to identify priorities.

Recruit, train, and motivate Scouters to serve on the committee and help it to carry out its functions effectively.

Promote membership and unit growth in Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Varsity Scouting, and Venturing through the membership cycle, coordinating youth recruiting and new-unit organization. Plan and help districts carry out roundups, new-unit campaigns, and the other elements of the membership cycle.

Develop more effective communication with chartered organizations.

Cultivate community organizations, groups, and associations that might become chartered organizations or support the Scouting program in other ways.

Support the religious emblems program of chartered organizations.

Stimulate the use of the program by special youth populations (i.e., low-income, disabled, and ethnic young people, or those in sparsely populated rural areas).

Prepare short-, intermediate-, and long-range membership and unit objectives.

Give leadership to events such as relationships conferences or fireside chats with heads of chartered organizations.

Promote membership growth in all markets.

## **Electronics Use Policy**

[http://www.scouts286.org/wp-content/uploads/Troop286\\_Electronics\\_Use\\_Policy.pdf](http://www.scouts286.org/wp-content/uploads/Troop286_Electronics_Use_Policy.pdf)

**BOY SCOUT TROOP 286 - BUDGET**  
AUGUST 1, 2013 - JULY 31, 2014

Sunday, March 16, 14

<b>BUDGET INCOME (EXPENSES)</b>	<b>Actual AUG</b>	<b>Actual SEPT</b>	<b>Actual OCT</b>	<b>Actual NOV</b>	<b>Actual DEC</b>	<b>Actual JAN</b>	<b>Actual FEB</b>	<b>Budgeted MAR</b>	<b>Budgeted APR</b>	<b>Budgeted MAY</b>	<b>Budgeted JUNE</b>	<b>Budgeted JULY</b>	<b>Total</b>
Starting Cash as of Aug 1, 2013	5645.92												5,645.92
Gift Card starting bal/add'l cards/GNFC acct		100.00			40.00		250.00						390.00
Income - Dues (37 @ \$105) & 6 Boys Life				315.00	3,457.00								3,772.00
Donations To Troop													0.00
Recharter (37 scouts, 29 adults, 6 Boys Life)					(1,632.00)		(19.00)						(1,651.00)
Insurance (\$2 per member; \$40 Unit Liability)					(172.00)								(172.00)
Registration Adults Income (6 @ \$26)				26.00	130.00								156.00
Scout Store Awards/Supplies	(126.29)	(26.89)	(59.46)	(20.46)	(23.77)	(26.31)	(368.10)	(668.72)	(50.00)	(100.00)	(50.00)	(100.00)	(1,620.00)
Campsite Fees	(424.00)	(55.00)						(21.00)		(150.00)			(650.00)
Weekend Campouts Income		220.00	360.00	50.00	10.00	370.00	119.00	400.00		400.00			1,929.00
Weekend Campouts Costs			(373.16)	(102.18)		(144.68)	(318.84)	(400.00)		(400.00)			(1,738.86)
Albany Trip Income (19 @ \$70)			630.00	560.00	70.00								1,260.00
Albany Trip Costs		(300.00)		(346.38)	(773.96)								(1,420.34)
Adirondack Trip Income (12 @ \$135)						300.00	1,320.00						1,620.00
Adirondack Trip Costs			(325.00)				(1,056.88)	(300.00)					(1,681.88)
Big City Trip Income (27 @ \$250)						100.00	1,700.00	750.00	3,000.00				5,550.00
Big City Trip Costs	(270.00)					(300.00)		(200.00)	(2,780.00)	(2,000.00)			(5,550.00)
Claimjumper Income (100 @ \$21)											2,100.00		2,100.00
Claimjumper Costs											(2,100.00)		(2,100.00)
Summer Camp Income								1,000.00		4,000.00			5,000.00
Summer Camp Costs	(147.04)		(100.00)					(1,000.00)		(3,902.96)			(5,150.00)
Out of Council Campership			150.00							(450.00)			(300.00)
Lasertron Income (35 @ \$40)				920.00	400.00								1,320.00
Lasertron Costs				(350.00)	(970.00)								(1,320.00)
Equipment/Supplies			(529.77)	(12.40)		(19.95)	(5.44)	(332.44)		(100.00)			(1,000.00)
GNFC Leadership Training				(138.77)				(11.23)	(50.00)		(300.00)		(500.00)
Troop Master Paid through 6/2014											(70.00)		(70.00)
Rechartering Dinner							(195.85)						(195.85)
Donation to Church							(250.00)						(250.00)
Miscellaneous/Outmeetings Income			80.00	108.00			211.00						399.00
Miscellaneous/Outmeetings Costs		(100.00)		(437.00)	(17.33)		(250.00)						(804.33)
Scout Account Miscellaneous Income		38.00			826.72								864.72
Scout Account Miscellaneous Costs		(38.00)			(826.72)								(864.72)
Income - Popcorn		12,450.00	9,715.00	2,656.00	8,858.00	66.06	1,123.34						34,868.40
Popcorn prizes / Show & Sell fee	(75.00)	(277.00)	(30.00)	(56.22)									(438.22)
Popcorn paid council (\$33,766 x 68%)				(19,282.20)	(3,678.68)								(22,960.88)
Popcorn profits for scout accounts					(10,135.02)	(32.90)	(1,460.00)						(11,627.92)
Candy Bar Income (240 bars left)													0.00
Candy Bar Cost													0.00
Candy Bar Profit to Scout Account													0.00
Reserves to cover for next year												(1,500.00)	(1,500.00)
<b>Monthly Income (Expenses)</b>	<b>(1,042.33)</b>	<b>12,011.11</b>	<b>9,517.61</b>	<b>(16,110.61)</b>	<b>(4,437.76)</b>	<b>312.22</b>	<b>799.23</b>	<b>(783.39)</b>	<b>120.00</b>	<b>(2,702.96)</b>	<b>(420.00)</b>	<b>(1,600.00)</b>	
<b>Cummulative Income (Expenses)</b>	<b>(1,042.33)</b>	<b>10,968.78</b>	<b>20,486.39</b>	<b>4,375.78</b>	<b>(61.98)</b>	<b>250.24</b>	<b>1,049.47</b>	<b>266.08</b>	<b>386.08</b>	<b>(2,316.88)</b>	<b>(2,736.88)</b>	<b>(4,336.88)</b>	
<b>Cumulative Cash/Gift Cards on Hand</b>	<b>4,603.59</b>	<b>16,614.70</b>	<b>26,132.31</b>	<b>10,021.70</b>	<b>5,583.94</b>	<b>5,896.16</b>	<b>6,695.39</b>	<b>5,912.00</b>	<b>6,032.00</b>	<b>3,329.04</b>	<b>2,909.04</b>	<b>1,309.04</b>	

Current GNFC gift card / registration acct balances:

\$ 250.00

End-of-month checking balance

\$ 6,445.39