Troop 286 Committee Meeting

Monday, Oct 19, 2015

In attendance: Mike Brylinski, Mark Oetinger, Maureen Dahlke, Christine McGinniss, Linda Sternin, Lisa Gilmartin, Chris Hamblin, Michelle Popp, Polly Archibald, Sue Walker

This meeting also served for the September committee meeting which had to be cancelled.

Chair's Report – No open positions.

Scoutmasters Report

PLC went well. Mike McGinnis called to plan for the Go Kart outing and Jimmie Dahlke called Go Games for the out meeting in November.

ISLT is coming up - \$5 per person for lunch troop pays. Council runs ISLT this year on Oct 31 from 9am - 3pm. (John Abramo, Phillip Callari, Zach Hicks, Justin Kolnacki, Michael McGinniss, Christopher Reardon need to attend)

Mark gave out list of merit badges and the counselors that are teaching them. He will email the list to the troop.

Eagle Status Report

PJ Schmidt has written final plan and needs eagle scoutmaster conference.

Jimmie Dahlke has approval last week for his project.

Zachery Archibald is close to finishing. The city needs to visit the site and final step is the landscaping.

Matt Sternin is half way through with the furniture made, bench installed at church and water fountain installed.

Andy Hall - no update

Conner Shubert presented his eagle project, written proposal completed, added photos. Needs council approval and beneficiary to sign.

Finance Report

Treasurer - Michelle reported on the new 2015-2016 Budget with a balance in the checking of \$3801 for the end of September. After the Herkimer trip the numbers will balance out.

Fundraising – Popcorn sales - Lisa Gilmartin reported \$18,000 sold with a goal of \$26,000 (last year).

Council gave us 20% less popcorn to sell. Mark said we need to email council that we need product each year so we can sell more. If we are short we can't sell as much. Last Show and Sell is at the Galleria/Dick's. Lisa reported \$400 is budgeted for popcorn prizes. Lisa suggested rain coats w/scout logo. Other ideas will be looked into.

Candy Bars - Committee suggested selling candy bars again this year. We will need someone to run it. Further discussion at November's meeting.

Bottle Drive – Linda Sternin reported that the drive was finished about 2 weeks ago. 12 boys raised \$811 and \$20 in donations. Each boy gets \$43.78 in their scout account. We will do another drive in the Spring. It was also suggested to put containers at the Lincoln Ice Rinks. The question was raised how do we pick up the bottles/cans donated? Would each scout and his family do it? We will contact Dan Crangle to see about placing the containers in the ice rinks.

Mike Brylinski reported about another fundraiser with Corner Bakery Café on Niagara Falls Blvd. The restaurant would sponsor either a breakfast or dinner night with 100% profits going to the scouts. The scouts would promote the function by passing out flyers the restaurant would furnish. There is limited menu to choose from and the price would be \$10 a head. No minimum needed to guarantee. Are we interested in looking into it?

Quartermaster's Report

Dennis Randall will get quotes for a new Dining Room Canopy to be used for camp outings. It will be a 12 x 16 canopy w/stakes. This will be in addition to the older one currently being used. The current tent requires clear tape for some repair. We will purchase the tape.

Program Report

Herkimer Diamond Mines went well, Fall Camporee at Beaver Island also went well. Nine Mile Island Patrol Campout is coming up Nov 13-15. Lasertron Lock- In is Dec 4. The deposit will be made by Mike and the committee approved it. The sign- up sheet for Lasertron is on the table for the scouts.

New Business - Linda Sternin brought up a plan for a new parent orientation. This is a "parent to parent" introduction to the Boy Scouts. New Scout parents would be invited to come and talk with parents about how the troop works and get any questions answered they may have. Tammy Kolnacki (new scout parent) attended this meeting and she will get the word out to others. This will take place at the Nov 2 meeting.

Next Meeting –November 9, 2015