

Troop 645
Committee Meeting Minutes
August 20, 2007

Attendees: Vladimir Zokvic, Tom Campbell, Barb Campbell, Paula Martin, Rae Cornell, Scott Cornell, Gary Mandley, Brian Hildreth and Brian Kowalk

A. Welcome, Call to Order – 7:12 p.m.

B. Approval of June Minutes

Minutes Approved. All committee members agreed.

C. SPL Report

SPL was not in attendance. Nothing to report.

D. Reports From Committee Members

1. Advancement – Paula M

Paula has recently obtained old advancement records and was wondering how long she needs to keep the information.

She was advised to keep the records for the last eight (8) years and to continue to keep records for eight (8) years before destruction.

It was mentioned that the advancement chair should be responsible for re-chartering in coordination with Brian Hildreth, Scoutmaster. Brian will be attending the District Roundtable to get the paperwork for re-chartering which is done online.

2. Outdoor Activities – Need a Chairperson

Will solicit the position at parent meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 21, 2007. Gary Mandley may consider the position.

3. Website – www.troop645.org – Brian Hildreth

The website is up-to-date as of today, Monday, August 20, 2007. Camping dates are tentative and other items will change.

4. Treasurer – Tom Campbell

Spreadsheets were distributed documenting campout activities, treasurer's report and bank statement.

The Certificate of Deposit (CD) will be maturing in September. The committee needs to decide if it should be renewed or cashed in. The decision will be made at the September Committee Meeting.

The budget will be completed sometime in October. The following items will be needed to establish the budget:

a. number of boys enrolled in troop

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- b. number of trainings for committee members, scoutmaster & assistant scoutmasters.
- c. wish list for camping equipment

It was noted that the bus and trailer insurance are up-to-date and that it maybe a good idea to change the due date to June for billing purposes and so that the insurance is renewed before going to Northwood's. The billing and proof of insurance will be mailed to St. Mike's.

It was also noted that Brian Hildreth will be taking the CDL test. Kris Sunstrum and Brian Kowalk may also be taking the test so there are several people to drive the bus at any given time.

5. Scoutmaster Minute(s) – Brian Hildreth

The 645 numeral patches are needed. There is only one (1) left. Brian was wondering where those were obtained. He is going to check on a few places to order and was thinking of adding Grand Ledge, Michigan under the numbers, but it will depend on cost.

Troopmaster license has expired, however, the program is still working. The .net upgrade is the most important for sharing information. The committee needs to decide to keep this through Troopmaster or move to our own website.

The first troop meeting is Monday, September 10, 2007 which will be the annual planning meeting.

September 17, 2007 will be the first Patrol Leader Council (PLC) meeting. Brian stated that the boys don't have to be a patrol leader to attend the PLC meetings. The meetings are open to all and if they would like to attend to voice their concerns or ideas, they are more than welcome to do so.

6. Quartermaster/Equipment Status – Alex Hildreth

Nothing to report at this time.

7. Parish Representative – Andy

Not in attendance. Nothing to report at this time.

E. Fundraiser/Community Service

1. Pop Bottle Drive – September 8, 2007 – Coordinator – Felpausch?

The bottle drive will take place on September 8, 2007 and Felpausch needs to be reserved.

Brian and Deb Hildreth will continue to sort bottles and cans, however, a coordinator for signing up boys and parents to participate and directing areas for collection is needed.

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2. St. Michael Fun Fest “Guard the Tent”

Scott Cornell has volunteered to stay with the boys, as well as, Mr. Steven James. Boys participating are: Chris Cornell, Erik Brodin, Steven James and possibly Mitchell Martin. Kathy Pabst has been notified that there are enough boys for participation. Scout uniforms are not required. They can just wear a scout t-shirt.

3. Football Field Clean Up

The first football game is Friday, August 24th. Therefore, the first football clean up is Saturday, August 25th at 8:00 a.m.

4. Popcorn

Kick-Off Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 29, 2007. Tom Campbell will be attending and would like someone to attend with him as co-chair to see how things operate and take over the popcorn sales.

Popcorn sales official begin on September 28, 2007. The sales period for the troop will be four (4) weeks long. The troop’s sales period will not be as long as councils.

Tom has reserved Gander Mountain, Lowes and Felpausch for Show and Sell. He will have sign up sheets available at all troop meetings.

5. Community Meals – Kris Sunstrum

The troop has been signed up for every third Wednesday to participate in Community Meals. However, the troop can help out on any Wednesday that is not a holiday. Brian Hildreth has contact information and there will be a sign up sheet for boys to earn their community service hours. There may be a possibility that Lee Weirich could help with organizer boys to participate.

F. Old Business/New Business

1. Meetings – Date, Time, Place?

Weekly meetings have been moved to the Fellowship Hall (church basement). The time will remain the same. Brian Hildreth will be getting a key to the church. It was noted that parents should make sure there is an adult present before leaving their child unattended. Brian Hildreth stated that it would be okay if Ben Campbell is the only one present at the time of drop off.

Patrol Leader Council (PLC) meetings will be on the Monday after a campout.

Board of Reviews will take place in the Fellowship Hall on the Monday after a campout from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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