

# Cub Scout Pack 32 Leaders Meeting

## January 26, 2010

### Minutes

**Present:** Beth Bauer, Andrew Beck, Jim Cally, Brian Claus, Yvonne George, Sharon Inglin, Mark Kenyon, Anthony Lorenzoni, Jim Mansfield, Ed McCaffrey, Terry Rice, Terry Underwood, Joan Young

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes of the 12/15/09 meeting had previously been distributed by email. Sharon made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted and Anthony seconded. Motion was approved by all present.

**Treasurer's Report:** Terry R. distributed monthly reports for October, November, December and January. There is still an outstanding check from June that has not been cashed.

Terry R. also distributed a draft budget for 2009-1010. He reported that historically expenses have been well categorized, making that portion of the budget fairly accurate. The same type of information is not available for revenue. Past treasurers did few deposits of large sums of money with no notation as to what events generated the income. Andy suggested that council could provide information on income from past popcorn sales. Sharon mentioned that she has information on money received from the Globetrotters games last year. Anyone else that might have information on money collected during the 2008-2009 year, please forward it to Terry R.

The following expenses were submitted and approved for payment:

Jim Cally	\$111.62	Various items purchased for October pack meeting
Anthony Lorenzoni	\$ 55.42	Pizza, ice & tablecloths for Pinewood Derby
McGills Storage	\$ 80.00	Storage unit, December & January

Terry received for deposit \$892 cash from food sales at the Pinewood Derby, a \$65 check for new scout registration, \$28 for Class B t-shirts, and \$10 cash for Pinewood Derby cars.

Jim Cally reported he is in receipt of a letter from McGills Storage. Our contract with them expired 11/30/09. We must decide if we want to continue with the present unit or try to down-size to a free, smaller unit. After discussion it was decided that Jim will contact the owners of the storage facility to determine 1) if a smaller unit is available, and 2) if they will be willing to again make it available to us at no charge.

Andy asked if it would be possible to obtain a debit card to be used for large purchases for the Pack. At the present time a committee member must pay for an item and wait until the meeting to be reimbursed. This is at times inconvenient especially for larger purchases, for example the purchase of trophies for the Pinewood Derby. It would also simplify on-line purchases. Terry R. commented that we would have to revise our approval process for such purchases. Mark put forward the following motion: The Pack will obtain three debit cards to be held by Jim Cally,

Anthony Lorenzoni and Andy Beck; all purchases must be pre-approved by two people (email approval is acceptable). Anthony seconded the motion and it was approved by all in attendance.

**Committee Meeting Dates:** Discussion was held on future meeting dates that will work for everyone on the committee. It was decided to move the meetings to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in February falls on a night that East Amwell Twp. School has an event planned so February's meeting will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 10. Below is a list of new committee meeting dates:

February 10 (Wed)	7:00 pm	EATS Music Room
March 9 (Tues)	7:00 pm	EATS Cafeteria
April 13 (Tues)	7:00 pm	EATS Music Room
May 11 (Tues)	7:00 pm	EATS Music Room
June 8 (Tues)	7:00 pm	EATS Music Room

**News from Roundtable:** Anthony reported the following events:

Yukon Trail, Round Valley	March 13
Go Fly-a-Kite, Round Valley	March 21
District Pinewood Derby	April 10
Day Camp, Round Valley	July 12-16
Day Camp, Yard Creek	July 19-23

Anthony has asked Derrick Rowe to spearhead a group to attend the Go-Fly-A-Kite event.

Anthony asked at Roundtable about someone to do the Friends of Scouting presentation at our Blue & Gold. There are two people who could do the presentation and Anthony felt Brian, who did the presentation last year, would be the preferred alternative. Our only other option would be to have someone from our pack trained to give the presentation. That is something we might consider in the future, but this year it looks like Brian will be our dinner speaker.

Anthony reported alternate summer camp locations were discussed. He has been doing some research on his own and thinks we won't have a problem finding a camp. Most camps he has found do not offer Cub/Parent weekend. Ed said that 4-H camps have swimming, archery and BB guns. Anthony will continue his research. Once we find a suitable camp, we can decide on dates.

The District Pinewood Derby is moving forward without problems. Anthony is working to recruit some people from other packs to help with the event. He will be helping Three Bridges with their pack derby this weekend.

The committee discussed our Pinewood Derby held this past weekend. The event ran smoothly. We need to work on the track to improve problems experienced with lane 4 (cars were jumping the lane). Committee discussed future locations. Beth offered to check with Lambertville School to see if they would allow us to hold the Derby there in the future. Anthony asked that comments on the Derby or suggestions be sent to him.

**Training Update:** Jim M. distributed an updated training report. All leaders have completed requested requirement (Youth Protection). Other highlights: Four leaders have earned

“Trained” badge; Four additional leaders require only one more course to earn “Trained” badge; Seventy-seven completed training courses.

Jim M. also distributed a draft letter he would like to send to all Pack families regarding available training opportunities for Akelas and/or support sponsors. Andy recommended Jim send using [packnews@cubscoutpack32.com](mailto:packnews@cubscoutpack32.com).

Jim C. mentioned that Owl/Baloo is required for camping. An Owl/Baloo course should be available in the spring. He will try to find out when and where it is being offered and report back to the committee.

**Awards Update:** Joan reported on three awards: Summertime Award, Outdoor Activity Award and Religious Award. The Summertime Award can be earned by the Pack by planning and holding one event in each of the summer months, June, July and August. These summer activities are required for the scout to earn the Outdoor Activity Award. Andy commented that attending these summer activities is an elective and not a requirement for the Outdoor Activity Award. A Den can earn the Summertime Award if 50% of the den goes to each activity (one per month). A scout must attend one event per summer month to earn the award. This past summer our Pack offered 7 different events during the summer months thereby qualifying for the Summertime Award. Joan asked Den Leaders to contact their members to determine who attended the summertime events and to forward this information to her.

The Outdoor Activity Award requires one day of camp, either day camp or resident camp. Other requirements vary according to rank.

Joan knows of several scouts that are earning the Religious Award. There is a book available for the award. Jim C. reported that families should get approval from their religious organization before starting this award. Mark agreed and mentioned that the award is actually given by the religious organization, not by BSA. Families must pay for the book and award.

Joan initiated a discussion on whether den leaders need to sign-off on Academic and Sports Awards. It was decided that all beltloops and pins should first go to the den leader for their approval. Den leaders will then forward the information to Joan. Den leaders will be responsible for collecting money for beltloops and/or pins. To simplify the process leaders will collect \$2 for beltloops and pins.

Joan reported that she has set-up the PackMaster software on her computer. She would like the den leaders to forward to her all awards, achievements and beltloops already earned by their scouts. It is also possible for the den leaders to enter the information on their own if they would rather. Joan will provide directions on how the leaders can access PackMaster.

Joan initiated a discussion on how the awards ceremony at the Blue & Gold dinner will be run. It was decided that Joan will act as “MC,” and den leaders will present the awards to their scouts.

**Blue & Gold Dinner:** Sharon reported that everything is going as planned for the B&G dinner. As of tonight we have 155 people attending. Sharon would like to leave the registration open for several more days. She requested den leaders look at the sign-up online and contact the families in their dens that have not yet registered. Robin Wedeking is currently working on the program. Information on badges earned needs to be turned-over to Joan ASAP so that it will make it into

the program. Jim C. would like to have The Lambertville Presbyterian Church and McGills Storage thanked in the program. Anthony needs to check on the Cub Scout sign, that it is ready for the dinner. Sharon will investigate whether or not The Elks have a P.A. system and screen we can use.

**New Business:** Jim C. read a letter he received from the Mayor of West Amwell thanking Pack 32 for participating in their January 1, 2010 Reorganization.

Jim C. reported that he emailed the Colonial Sportsman's Club asking to be added to their agenda to discuss our tree planting and June Crossover. We need to organize a date for the tree planting which is typically done in April. Jim also wants to ensure any "bumps" are smoothed-over with the CSC after last year's Crossover. Andy reported that the CSC committee doesn't meet during the winter months. He recommended Jim C. contact Carl Kramer; he will forward Carl Kramer's email address to Jim C.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.