

Cub Scout Pack 32 Leaders Meeting
May 11, 2010
Minutes

Present: Beth Bauer, Andrew Beck, Jim Cally, Brian Claus, Ed McCaffrey, Joan Young, Jim Mansfield (dropped-in to present training info)

Late: Yvonne George, Sharon Inglin, Mark Kenyon, Anthony Lorenzoni, Terry Underwood

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Minutes of the 3/09/10 meeting had previously been distributed by email. Brain made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted and Jim seconded. Motion was approved by all present.

Treasurer's Report:

Terry Rice was not present; no Treasurer's Report was submitted. Terry was also not able to indicate to the Committee whether he is going to chair the budget committee or turn it over to someone else.

The bill for Magill Storage (6 month's rent) which was presented at the March Committee meeting has not yet been paid. Both Jim and Anthony have been contacted by Magill questioning when they would receive payment. Jim indicated that he would pay Magill out of his pocket and submit an expense report to Terry for reimbursement.

Training Update:

Jim Mansfield dropped in to distribute updated information on training and congratulate the committee on the progress they've made.

News from Roundtable:

Jim Cally reported the following events:

District Fishing Derby	June 26th
BSA 100 th Year Anniversary	July 31
Fall Camporee	September 17-18
Paraquara Roundtable Picnic	June 2

Jim indicated that the Council was having an engineering study completed on the dam at KMSR to see what repairs need to be made. It is still unlikely that the camp will be available for any camping this summer; however, it may be ready for the fall.

Anthony reported attending the District Leader Recognition dinner. At this dinner Sharon Inglin won the 2009 Fleur de Lis Award.

Other Discussions:

Jim Cally circulated the BSA "Activity Consent Form". He indicated this form must be completed by a parent if they are sending their scout to a scouting event without a parent. Leaders need to make sure these forms are completed for events they are running.

Brian Claus questioned whether medical forms need to be completed by parents for the sleep-over at the Battleship New Jersey. Brian indicated he would check with Council and report back to the Committee.

A discussion ensued regarding the May Pack meeting. Several members indicated that the scheduled date, May 21st, coincides with the Lambertville/West Amwell baseball League Somerset Patriot's game; therefore, attendance at the Pack meeting would most likely be low. Moving the Pack meeting to another date was discussed, but it was decided that there were no other dates in May that were better candidates. It was unanimously voted that the May Pack meeting would be cancelled.

The upcoming Parent/Cub weekend and Day camps were discussed. Last year Cindy Bednar collected forms and money for both the Resident camp and Parent/Cub weekend as there was a discount for registering as a Pack for the resident camp. As there are no resident camps being offered this year, there is no need to submit applications as a Pack. Beth Bauer indicated she will send an email out to the Pack updating them on the camping situation and directing them to the Council web site for applications and medical forms.

Awards Update:

Joan Young indicated that all remaining awards would be presented at the crossover in June. Leaders need to submit their den's awards to her by May 25th.

Pack Camping:

Andy Beck presented the results of the camping survey that was put on-line for parents to provide input on their wished for Pack campouts. Out of 65 scouts, only 10 surveys were completed. The majority of the responses indicated that they preferred a location within 1-hour of home, and preferred to pay a fee and have the Pack provide all food. Only two of the respondents indicated they would be willing to organize a camp out. Most respondents indicated that all offered events were equally important to them.

Anthony Lorenzoni recapped the situation with using Yard's Creek for a Pack campout. Yard's Creek has other events already scheduled for the weekend we planned for our summer campout. A discussion about using various facilities for a pack campout ensued. It was agreed to try to secure Mountain Farm at Teetertown Preserve for the summer campout, July 23-25. Mark and Anthony will be responsible for organizing the event. Jim Cally will secure a tour permit for the event.

Update on End-of-Year Event:

Andy reported that Cynde Mathews agreed to run the food portion of the event and the Mysignup and website is ready to go.

Joan and the den leaders will be responsible for the awards portion of the evening.

A parent comment was received that because the event is on a Friday night this year, it will be difficult for some families to arrive by 5:30 p.m. for dinner. A discussion ensued on the start time and length of dinner time. It was agreed that dinner will start at 5:30 p.m. and will end with the start of the awards portion at 7:00 p.m.

Andy reported that a request was made to the CSC for the pool to remain open for an extra hour on the night of our event. CSC agreed to keep it open with the following two conditions: 1) Pool lighting is installed and operating at the time of the event, and 2) we cover the cost of two lifeguards for the extra hour, \$20/lifeguard/hr. Jim C. made a motion to pay the additional cost of \$40 to keep the pool open an extra hour. The motion was seconded by Sharon and approved by all.

The option of allowing scouts to renew their registration and distribute books at the crossover was discussed. Brian volunteered to run the “booth” for registrations. Beth offered to help. Brian recommended we keep it open during swimming hours, 4:30-5:30 and 8:30-9:30. It was also recommended by Anthony that if families are renewing, they must take their books at that time. Anthony made a motion stating Brian will run registration renewal and book disbursement at the End-of-Year Crossover Picnic. Motion was seconded by Beth and approved by all in attendance.

West Amwell Food Drive:

Jim C. reported that Trish Mumich has requested help for the food drive in West Amwell. The food drive is schedule for June 5 and 12. Trish will prepare flyers to distribute at West Amwell and Lambertville Schools. She will also prepare a box to collect food at West Amwell School. She requested that we prepare a mysignup for volunteers to work the two days of the drive. She needs three scouts per one hour shift, 9:00 a.m. to noon each day. It would help if leaders could email their dens details of the food drive and ask for scouts to sign-up on the website once it is posted.

Memorial Day Parade:

Our Pack will be marching in the Memorial Day Parade in Lambertville on Monday, May 31. Scouts are to meet in the parking lot of the CVS at 8:30 a.m. The parade starts at 9:00 a.m. Boys should wear Class A uniform. We will not be using the club cars as they are too much for boys to push on the long parade route. Boys should bring a bag of candy (not chocolates) to throw to kids along the parade route. Last year Heidi Tomenchuk provided flags for the boys. Jim will check with Heidi on the possibility of getting small flags. Marching in the parade will be our May Pack Meeting.

Beth asked if we have a banner. Andy reported that we have a banner from Pack 65, but it needs to be updated to Pack 32. Beth would like to see the banner; she may be able to make the changes.

Spring Recruiting Drives

Jim reported on an email from Ward regarding his work on a recruiting drive for West Amwell & Lambertville. We can use backpack mail in Lambertville to distribute a flyer as long as it is approved by the school in advance. Ward reported that a letter would have to be in the hands of the Lambertville Recreation Committee by tomorrow night if we wanted to try to get approval to use the gazebo at Ely Field in June. Ward reported the use of the gym at Lambertville School would require payment of a fee. The Presbyterian Church is an option, but parking is a problem on Saturdays. Other options discussed included 1) setting-up at baseball games, 2) setting-up during Open Houses at firehouses, and 3) sending a flyer with an open invitation to any of our summer events. In the end it was decided to do one event at East Amwell Twp. School and advertise it in West Amwell and Lambertville Schools. The recruiting drive will be held on Saturday, June 12, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Sharon volunteered to coordinate games for

the event. Beth volunteered to put together a spectacular flyer which she will get to Lambertville and West Amwell. Yvonne volunteered to handle distribution of flyer to East Amwell.

Summer Events:

Fishing Derby—June 6, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Ed reported on two possible places to hold the fishing derby: Echo Hill or Stony Brook Watershed. After discussion it was decided to use Stony Brook. Parking is a long way off, but it's a nice walk to the pond. It is possible to drop people and/or supplies closer to the pond and then park. Ed reported that it is open to the public, is catch and release only, and the boys can do a quick clean-up as service to the facility. A Certificate of Insurance will be required as well as a Tour Permit since it is out of county.

Ed will not be available on the day the committee selected, June 6. He will do all the preliminary organizing and Jim Cally will be in charge on the day of the event. Jim will bring snack and drinks for event, including left-overs from Webelo Woods. Bait will be needed and can be purchased from Walmart in Flemington.

Bike Ride—June 26. Beth agreed to organize the bike ride. Possible routes were discussed including Stockton to Bulls Island or starting either north or south of Stockton and biking to Stockton where ice cream is readily available. Beth will investigate the possibilities and decide location.

Somerset Patriots—Saturday, July 17. Brian reported that 7 families have signed-up to attend, selling a total of 24 tickets from our block of 30. We may need to obtain more tickets. Brian will prepare a mysignup to be linked to the website. Boys will need to wear Class A uniform to be allowed to participate in Scout Night activities on the field.

Hike—Saturday, August 7. Sharon reported that there is a \$5/adult charge to use the trail at Bowmans Tower, so she is investigating other locations. She is looking into using the Ted Stiles Preserve at Bald Pate Mountain in Mercer County. Ed reported that Jennifer Leer is a naturalist there and might be able to do a tour for us. Jim has Jennifer's email and will forward it to Sharon.

Raceway Park Thrill Show—Wednesday, August 18. There are no group tickets available for this. Andy will put it on the website and families are on their own.

Andy reported that boys must attend at least one event in each summer month to earn an award. Most all the events are free or low-cost except for the Raceway Park event in August. A discussion on the possibility of doing another free or low-cost event in August ensued. Ideas included a rocket launching, compressed water rockets (which could help us avoid issues with locations not wanting rockets launched for fire safety reasons), and building a rope bridge. The date of Saturday, August 14 will be reserved for an event to be determined at a later time.

New Business:

The purchase of necessary camping equipment was discussed. Jim C. made a motion to approve the camping equipment purchase. Terry seconded the motion and it was approved by all except Anthony who abstained from the vote.

Brian would like to see the pack put together an inventory of what we have, what needs to be replaced and a "wish list." This should be made available to everyone and used as a tool to

inspire the kids during fundraising times, to show them what they are working toward. He would also like to see fundraising incentives at the den level. Andy indicated we could post the inventory on the web site. This item was table for future discussion.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. MST.

Action Items

Terry Rice – Prepare final budget to be voted on at June Meeting.

Brian Claus – Investigate whether medical forms are required for Battleship NJ sleep-over.

Brian Claus – Run registration renewal and book disbursement at the End-of-Year Crossover.

Brian Claus – Create MySignup for Somerset Patriot Game

Ed McCaffrey – Obtain Tour Permit and Certificate of Insurance for Fishing Derby

Mark Kenyon & Anthony Lorenzoni – Organize summer campout at Mountain Farm, Teetertown, 7/23-25.

Anthony Lorenzoni – Inventory Scout Camping Equipment

Jim Cally – Get tour permit for campout at Mountain Farm, Teetertown, 7/23-25.

Jim Cally – Contact Heidi Tomenchuk about flags for Memorial Day Parade.

Jim Cally – In charge of Fishing Derby on the day, including bringing snacks, drinks & bait.

Jim Cally – Forward Jennifer Leer’s email address to Sharon.

Jim Cally – Make arrangements to pay Magill Storage 6 months rent

Jim Cally – Get a check from Terry Rice for Anthony Musto for camping equipment.

Andy Beck – Get banner for Beth to examine.

Andy Beck – Contact CSC Pool to indicate we are willing to pay for life guards on June 18th

Andy Beck – Update Web Site & Send Pack Newsletter

Beth Bauer – Examine banner and report back on ability to make necessary changes.

Beth Bauer – Notify Parents of Council Camping opportunities

Beth Bauer – Create recruiting drive flyer. Distribute to Lambertville & West Amwell.

Beth Bauer – Pick location and time for June bike ride

Beth Bauer – Help run registration renewal and book disbursement at Crossover

Sharon Inglin – Organize games for 6/12/10 recruiting drive at EATS.

Sharon Inglin – Pick location and time for August Hike

Yvonne George – Distribute recruiting drive flyer to EATS.

Joan Young – Coordinate with leaders to plan award ceremony at crossover

All Leaders – Tell their dens that award request must be in to Joan Young by May 25th

All Leaders – Promote participation in Food Drive to their Dens