

Troop 219 Committee

Meeting Minutes – April 12, 2006

Attendees: Mike Adams, Russ Clark, Doug Congdon, Dennis Cox, Susan Dagenais, Leo Foley, Wendy Gornick, Tim Hommer, Mike Hussar, Matt Rybar, Bill Seavey, John Waters, Dennis Weston

Secretary – Minutes of March approved as corrected

Treasurer – No report

Advancement – 8 Scout, 1 First Class, 2 Merit Badges.

Quartermaster – The troop is still looking for a storage location for equipment. The trailers were cleaned and organized at the Pioneering Campout. The need for patrol dining flies was discussed; more evaluation is needed before purchase.

Program

- Scouting for Food was a good turnout this year. For the first day 16 Scouts participated and for the second day 19 Scouts helped. This is in addition to drivers and leaders.
- The Court of Honor was written and conducted by the Scouts. They did a good job.
- The pioneering campout saw 4 Scouts the first night and many more the next day. Saturday the Scouts built a tower, organized equipment, and worked on outdoors skills.
- The planning session was held Saturday evening. The following is a summary of the discussion.
 - This summer they will plan a water park outing,
 - September 29 - October 1 will be the Skill-O-Rama,
 - An Orienteering campout in October,
 - A gaming activity in November,
 - Base Camp in December,
 - Klondike Derby in January,
 - Blue Springs in February,
 - Tapico cabin camp March 9 – 11,
 - Hike-A-Thon and first year campout in April,
 - Dorchester in May,
 - Summer camp prep in June,
 - Summer camp in July,
 - For high adventure scuba diving at BSA Sea Base in Florida.

This schedule of events will be refined and dates filled in. Some changes may be made before it is brought to the committee in final form. Congratulations to the PLC and Scoutmaster on a good effort early in the planning process!

- The first year campout will be held at Mustang campsite at Camp Holaka April 28 & 29. Mike Adams will be the tour leader and Tim Hommer will attend and can haul either trailer. Details of the activity will be put into a handout to be included in the FOS mailing that will go out next week. Older Scouts will go out on Friday and set up base camp. First year Scouts will leave Fenton at 7:30 am and stay Saturday and Sunday.

- Leo Foley will be tour leader for the Hike-A-Thon.
- Larry Miller and Doug Congdon will lead the Dorchester IBC. Younger Scouts are encouraged to attend and must be prepared for wet and cold weather.
- For Memorial Day Parade the troop will meet at the First Presbyterian Church at 8:30 am.
- Summer camp shakedown will be at camp Holaka on Webelos Hill. The dates will be June 9 – 11 due to a conflict on the following weekend. Dr. Waters has reserved camp tents similar to those at summer camp.
- The last troop meeting will be June 12
- The summer camp parent meeting will be June 19
- The cost of outings was discussed as ranging from \$20 to \$50 and depends on the cost of the activity and number of people participating. Campership assistance is available for any that cannot afford and activity.

Other Items

- No fundraising activities are scheduled. Dennis Weston is open to ideas and car washes could work in May.
- Mrs. Seavey has volunteered to collect and track VGs receipts for the Scouts to add to their accounts. The split will be 75% to Scouts and 25% to the troop. She will work with Mr. Miller.
- Mrs. Dagenais has volunteered to chair the popcorn sale.
- The Bylaws draft is on the web. Final call for comments. All comments must be returned to Mr. Zimbley by Friday, April 14, 2006. Following that they will be published and a vote taken.
- There are still 7 openings in the NYLT course for this summer. Dr Waters will again look for candidates, none have signed up yet.
- Larry Zimbley, member of the committee, forwarded a proxy nomination for Mike Hussar to replace John Waters as Scoutmaster. No other nominations were presented. Leo Foley presented the nomination of Mike Hussar and it was seconded by Doug Congdon. Members of the committee present voted 3 to zero to appoint Mike Hussar Scoutmaster. Weston, Foley and Congdon voted for the nomination, Hussar abstained. The motion was carried. Mr. Cox will take the nomination to Dale Swihart for charter organization approval. The transition will take place at summer camp. Dr Waters and Mr. Hussar will work together for the rest of the year.
- Dr. Waters indicated that he would like to work with older scouts in a Venture Patrol or Crew and a high adventure program.

Adjourned at 8:35 pm.