

Troop 870 Parents meeting

November 7, 2011

Meeting called to order by Kari Francis. She discussed the fact that there are several positions open within the troop such as the Treasurer and the Secretary. She pointed out that there are parents in the troop who are holding down multiple positions and at the same time, other parents are not providing any support at all. George Rodriguez volunteered to take over the training record keeping from Joe Layden and Julie Lovelace agreed to take over the secretary job from Robin Barrett who had a change in work schedule, and is not available for parent meetings. Kari reiterated that there was a pressing need for a treasurer since Leah Galliker had taken over the advancement chair, and so she was currently doing both jobs. Kari pointed out that the advancement job is a big responsibility, and so a replacement for treasurer is urgently needed.

Reports were then received from various committee chairs:

Treasurer (Leah Galliker): The troop account balance is \$13,878.

Training (Joe Layden): Mr. Layden requested input on the offering of CPR/First Aid training; he wondered if people were interested in Saturday or Sunday for training? A consensus of those attending the meeting was that Sunday was better. Joe will arrange training for Dec 11 and Jan 8; those who would like to attend should sign up with Joe.

Advancements (Leah Galliker): Several SMC's were scheduled for that night, and so parents were encouraged to look out for a note from Jennifer Crucian for BOR volunteers for next week, 11/14/11.

Outdoor Committee:

Philmont Crew (Tess Bauder)-the crew will have a hike on Nov.13 @ Hunstville State Park and the registration was due to Tess. Tess reminded people that these hikes are intended for those scouts who are going to Philmont next summer, and that other troop members who are not going to Philmont should not sign up for Philmont events. Final payment of \$160 is due to Mrs. Bauder.

Fall Camp (Lisa Phillips)- Still waiting to hear back from the camp about merit badge class assignments-they should be available soon. We will depart from UBC @ 6:00 so please be at the church at 5:30. Final payment of \$100 is due now.

Summer Camp (Joe Layden)-We will be going to Camp Hale the week of July 15. More information to follow.

Fund Raising: Mr. Kuhlman was not at the meeting, but feedback from those who had participated in the flag distribution activity was positive. Several commented that the system to pick up @ the storage facility is working well.

Service Projects (Al Estes): Mr. Estes reported that only 1 scout going to fall camp was short the required 3 hours. He said upcoming projects include a 1hour fire drill at Space Center Houston on

November 17th. Mr. Estes also reported disappointingly low turnout for the UBC Fall Festival. All were reminded that supporting projects for the Charter Organization were a top priority, second only to supporting Eagle projects. Upcoming opportunities are:

Nov.12th: Ryan Ramirez Eagle Project

Dec.3rd:Reindeer Run@ Christus St. John

Dec. 5th and 12th: Seafarers toiletries drive

Hospitality: (Tess Bauder/Nadine Senderling): Holiday Pizza party is December 12th. There will be an email sent out with assignments by patrol with what to bring.

Miscellaneous reminders were offered:

Nov.12th-Marshall Godwin's Eagle Court of Honor at UBC from 3-4pm

There is no meeting on November 21 due to the Thanksgiving Holiday

With a final request for someone to consider taking on the Treasurer job, Kari Francis closed the meeting for the month.