

Boy Scout Troop 201

Minutes of Committee Meeting 1/2/2024

Meeting Held Virtually Via Zoom

I. Opening of Meeting: Pledge of Allegiance

In attendance:

Jeff Helgeson, Stephanie Helgeson, Michael Keating, Beatriz Rapa, Chris Joneleit, Tripti Joy, Danny Chen, David Martin, Tim Rolston, Xue Jiao Chen, Rich Martin, Bhama Kolla, Stephanie Keating, Teddy Tong

II. Reading of Reports:

A. Head of Charter Organization:

- No update.

B. Troop Committee Chair:

- Rechartered for next year. All YPT is up to date.

C. Troop Secretary:

- 41boys paid in full.

D. Scoutmaster:

- Holiday party went well @ Bounce. Holiday gifts were a hit.
- Advancement weekend at Schiff. Went well – all the boys slept in the cabins. Tons of advancement work – lots of boys ranked up.
 - Some boys still have CyberChip pending and that is holding up some advancements.
 - Once everything is confirmed, need to buy badges.
- Jan – Camping trip, Pinewood Derby, Klondike Derby, High Adventure
 - Pinewood – Scouts will get service hours if they help. 3-4 boys minimum, Jan 20 at 9am at the Herricks Community Center.
 - Klondike Derby – Jan 27 in Muttontown. Boys were interested, but names were not collected. 2 adult participants are required per pack.
- Campfire Skill
 - Provide more opportunities to practice using fire starter/flint & steel.
 - Bring it up at the next Greenbar Meeting
 - Practice during ski trip – ask scouts to bring materials.
 - Firestarter video?

E. Troop Treasurer:

- Deposits: Membership dues, t-shirts for northern tier, wreath money
- Reimbursements due: Recharter, Holiday party
- Payment made for Summit. Another payment due this month.
- Ending balance: \$18,056.61

F. Fundraiser Coordinator:

- Still waiting for 7 scouts to submit wreath money

- Pancake breakfast (fundraising for high adventure trip):
 - Sunday, March 24 will probably be approved at the Albertson Fire House
 - 2 Raffle prizes from Total Wines – wine tasting for around 20 people. Will start building baskets soon.
 - Scouts must sell 5 tickets (10 if going on high adventure)
 - Each scout must bring either a baked good or a raffle prize. If going on high adventure, must bring two items.
 - Donations for breakfast items – dry goods and grocery items.
 - 50-50 tickets need to be checked.
 - Reach out to Pack 202 – scout eats free if they wear their uniform.

G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator:

- Dec: 31 scouts, 8 adults at Schiff.
- Jan
 - Jack Frost Ski Trip: need adult drivers.
 - Northern Tier: Need to check first aid kits. Scouts don't need to bring too much gear – can buy gear there if needed.
- Minsi is booked.
- Durland: bigger cabins are taken. 30-person cabin is available, can squeeze some more in. Some can tent outside. March 1-4 or March 16-17
- Harriman: April 13-14 or Horseback riding in Long Island
- Summer camp is booked.
- Car is booked for Summit (2024)
- Sea Base opens on Jan 18 to book for 2025 – will book a crew for the Troop. Ask the boys which trip option at SeaBase they are interested in, on Monday during the next meeting.
- Philmont in 2026.

H. Training Coordinator: No update.

I. Advancement Coordinator: See above.

J. Religious Emblem Coordinator: No update

K. Equipment Coordinator:

- The container needs to be reorganized – equipment needs to be thinned out, and patrol boxes need to be cleaned.
 - Offer service hours for scouts who help organize/clean out the container.
- Frying pans need to be replaced; the nonstick layer was peeling.
- New tents are being researched.
- Binders, duct tape and bins – all color coded for each patrol - to organize their equipment, courtesy of Stephanie K.

L. Website Coordinator: No update.

M. New Business:

- Parks & Rec Application for Clinton G. Martin – Proof of insurance required.
 - Cannot be a general proof of insurance. The park's name must be on the proof of insurance. Jeff will talk to council when he goes.

Log on to the troop website at www.troop201ny.com for updates on the troop calendar and activities, and photos from recent events. Log on to the council web site at www.trcbsa.org for links to adult training, and information on programs offered by Shelter Rock District and the Theodore Roosevelt Council.