

# *Boy Scout Troop 201*

## *Minutes of Committee Meeting 4/2/2024*

*Meeting Held Virtually Via Zoom*

### **I. Opening of Meeting: Pledge of Allegiance**

#### In attendance:

**Jeff Helgeson, Stephanie Helgeson, Andrew Maiman, Beatriz Rapa, Chris Joneleit, Michael Keating, Tripti Joy, Tim Rolston, Jet Chen, Mike Lee, Bhama Kolla**

### **II. Reading of Reports:**

#### **A. Head of Charter Organization:**

- No update.

#### **B. Troop Committee Chair:**

- No update.

#### **C. Troop Secretary:**

- 44 boys in the Troop.

#### **D. Scoutmaster:**

- Webinar for Summit trip. Some boys watched it via the link provided.
- Jeff cleaned up the advancements – up to date, pending citizenship badge for some boys.
- Aiden Chen, Jack Penfold, Arthur Chen – advanced to Life Scout. Will need to start thinking about their Eagle projects.
- Horsemanship counselor - Mark Polanski – will conduct the prerequisite training at one of the troop meetings. On the April trip, boys can earn their horsemanship merit badge.
- No trip so far this month – April 13 is Horseback Riding. Pre-reqs were worked on last night during the Troop meeting.
- Suggestion to work on troop level badges (like fire safety)
- Michael Chao is working on his Eagle Scout project presentation. On April 4th the project will be reviewed by the district and hopefully approved. He can then plan a weekend to complete his project.
- 3 active life scouts working on Eagle projects.
- 3 scouts earned life scout last month. Starting to think about Eagle projects for next year.
- Paper applications will no longer be accepted. All future applications and payments must be completed online.
  - Problems:
    - National and council will be online, troop fees need to be collected.
    - personal information will not be available to add to Troop Master from the application– will need to get info from scouts to add. New scouts will need to fill in information for the troop (separate form).
    - adult leaders will have to pay online and then be reimbursed.
    - Knowing if a new scout has filled in the application.
- Summer camp planning is starting.

#### **E. Troop Treasurer:**

- Deposits: Pancake Breakfast \$4064.31, Pack 201 Donation \$2115, Summit \$5000
- Reimbursements due: from Pancake Breakfast, Eagle Court of Honor \$1000
- Payment: Summit
- Ending balance: \$27,207.42
- Eagle Project: Michael will deposit the money from his beneficiary, submit receipts to get reimbursed, and any unused money will go back to his beneficiary.

#### **F. Fundraiser Coordinator:**

- No update.

#### **G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator:**

- Horseback riding: April 13 (29 boys, 7 adults riding, might have excess drivers)
  - Permission slips will be due the first Monday in April.
- White water rafting: May 10<sup>th</sup>-May 12<sup>th</sup>
  - 6 boys signed up
  - 5 adults
  - April 15 deadline
  - Damn-release weekend
- Summer camp booked June 30-July 6: \$590 early bird – March 29, \$635 after that.
  - 28 boys signed up and paid (early bird).
  - Adults (Jeff H., Jet, Richard Martin, Mike Lee (standby), Tim Rolston)
    - Must be registered, medical form, YPT
- Summit:
  - Shirt design finalized. May 3 deadline to order.
  - May 9 final payment
  - Car deposit completed
- Sea Base (Out Island): July 27-Aug 2, 2025
  - Second payment due. Need to start putting a list of boys interested.
- Northern Tier: President's week, 2025
  - Payment by May 1.
- End of year picnic planning. Games?
- Moving up ceremony for Pack 202? Need to reach out for dates.

#### **H. Training Coordinator:**

- No updates

#### **I. Advancement Coordinator:**

- Tim will sit down with Dwayne to get spare badges.
- Scout Book and My Scouting will sync.
- Troop Master might sync. Need to figure it out.

#### **J. Religious Emblem Coordinator:**

- No update.

### **K. Equipment Coordinator:**

- Received the new troop flags – one with fringes and one without.
- Also have two new American flags.
- Tents:
  - Ordered new lighter tents (6 lbs)
  - The other tents were heavy to carry (9 lbs) – could keep one or two for adults.
- Container: would like to dedicate a weekend to clean out the container and fix the seal.
  - Set up date with Jeff. Maybe combine gear pick up for summer camp with clean out?
- P.A. system/speaker got damaged. New ones for \$200-300 are available.
  - Put to committee – no objections.

### **L. Website Coordinator:**

- No updates

### **M. New Business:**

- Alumni dinner
  - Adults, alumni, and seniors.
  - Sophomores and juniors will be servers at buffet.
  - Pricing: keep it the same as the pre-covid pricing
  - Spuntino's quote: \$850 for food. Up to \$1000.
  - Save the date was sent out.
  - Wine on table (one bottle of red and one bottle of white)
  - Julie runs a game to get everyone involved and interacting, to increase troop support.
  - Mrs. Stephanie Visconti will update the invitation and collect the RSVPs.
- Chris Joneleit is moving on from committee chair this summer. Mr. Jet Chen has agreed to become the new chair starting in September.

*Log on to the troop website at [www.troop201ny.com](http://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](http://www.trcbsa.org) for links to adult training, and information on programs offered by Shelter Rock District and the Theodore Roosevelt Council.*