

Boy Scout Troop 201

Minutes of Committee Meeting 5/7/2024

Meeting Held Virtually Via Zoom

I. Opening of Meeting: Pledge of Allegiance

In attendance:

Jeff Helgeson, Stephanie Helgeson, Beatriz Rapa, Chris Joneleit, Michael Keating, Tripti Joy, Stephanie Keating, David Martin, Rich Martin, Jet Chen,

II. Reading of Reports:

A. Head of Charter Organization:

- As of September, Jet Chen will be Troop Committee Chair.
- May 20th, the commissioner is coming to visit the troop.
- Copy of the Charter Organization needs to be signed and set in.

B. Troop Committee Chair:

- No update.

C. Troop Secretary:

- No updates.

D. Scoutmaster:

- In the last month, two weeks off.
- Horsemanship merit badge at the stables. Feedback from scouts was good. Staff was accommodating. Mr. Polanski has been collecting all the signed blue cards and the pre-requisite paperwork. Merit badges need to be picked up in person because they want to see the paperwork. Over 30 boys are putting in for the merit badge.
- 4 boys are aging out.
 - Michael Chao finished his project, and his fundraiser. He is finishing up a few more merit badges.
 - Brian Keating is working on his project – the book was reviewed and will be submitted to Mr. Gollata
 - Matthew Rapa – wants to do his project over the summer. Will start writing it up soon. Aiming for the first week of June to get approval.
 - Jeffrey Polanski – working on his project.
- Summer camp:
 - Swim tests are at the lake (first day of camp).
 - All the adult leaders must have their membership cards with them, and current YPT.
 - Need all medical forms signed – no signed attachments.
 - 29 scouts, 4 adults
 - Voting for troop leadership – need to see who is interested in leadership positions. Need 4 patrol leaders (maybe 5).
- Moving up ceremony for Pack – need to see if there is an end of year ceremony that needs troop attendance.
- Rafting trip this weekend.
 - Waivers have been sent out, drivers are set.

- Adult positions that need to be filled:
 - Equipment Coordinator: Andrew Maiman will be taking over.
 - Troop Treasurer
 - Religious Emblem Coordinator: might need to be filled.
 - Training & Websites: Rich Martin

E. Troop Treasurer:

- E.C.of Honor reimbursements are complete.
- Pancake reimbursements are complete.
- Ending balance: \$26,090.46
- RSVPs for Alumni Dinner are sparse, currently at 12.

F. Fundraiser Coordinator:

- Pancake breakfast was successful.
- Wreaths are the next big fundraiser – will start looking in August.

G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator:

- White water rafting: May 10th-May 12th
 - 32 boys, 13 adults
- Summer camp booked June 30-July 6: \$590 early bird – March 29, \$635 after that.
 - 29 boys signed up and paid.
 - Adults (Jeff H., Jet, Richard Martin, Mike Lee (standby), Tim Rolston)
 - Must be registered, medical form, YPT
- Summit:
 - Final payment done.
 - T-shirts and jackets ordered.
 - Car booked.
 - One more payment to collect.
- Sea Base (Out Island): July 27-Aug 2, 2025
 - Second payment complete. Need to start putting a list of boys interested.
 - 6 boys, 2 adults minimum.
- Northern Tier: President's week, 2025
 - Final payment complete.
 - 5 boys, 2 adults
 - Sept/Oct – look for flights.
- End of year picnic planning.

H. Training Coordinator:

- No updates

I. Advancement Coordinator:

- Summer camp – next big purchase.
 - Climbing, Kayaking, Welding, Small Boat Sailing, Woodwork will need to be pre-registered.
- Miscellaneous
 - Arthur became a life scout.
 - Snow badge for one of the younger scouts.

J. Religious Emblem Coordinator:

- No update.

K. Equipment Coordinator:

- Container reorganization: June
- Need to address the leaking issue in the container.
- Tents were purchased – some will be returned, depending on troop needs.

L. Website Coordinator:

- No updates

M. New Business:

- Need to find new adult leaders. There are a lot of positions opening up, and we need parents to step into those roles.

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.