

BSA - Troop 444

Committee Meeting Report



March 1, 2010

Farragut Presbyterian Church, Farragut, TN

Attendees:

Lea Bosse
Angel Burgess
Laura Culotta
Lisa Grimes
Robin Jenness
George Keough
Paul Lear

Mark Misner
Bryan Nunley
Edward Primka
Tim McCord
MikeTaylor
Joe Wolfe

Dates/Events/Activities:

For the most current calendar of events, please visit the Troop's website at: www.troop444.org

Treasurer's Report:

Lisa Grimes reported that the total liability of the troop is \$9,833.70 with summer camp dues of \$1000 not paid out and payment for the Rocket Museum being made. Add recharter—has been paid Farragut Annual check received not in scout account yet. McCellen made a donation to Troop 444 of \$500. Thank you needs to be sent.

Merit Badges:

1. New Patrol/Primka: will be meeting next week. Start working on cooking badge with Lear.
2. Buffalo/Taylor/Martin: Taylor to be leading the leatherworking badge and Martin to follow with the citizenship in the community badge
3. Phoenix/Smith: First Aid (Primka/Stoner) + Cycling (Culotta) finishing Citizenship badge
4. American Eagles/Bosse/Shedden- Camping (Bosse/Jenness) and Pulp and Paper (Sparks): finish p/p badge with homemade paper assignment turned in and starting Camping with First Aid badge review...Gander Mountain field trip in two weeks.
5. Flaming Wolverines/Cafferty/Taylor/Buckman/Embry- Personal Management (Nair) –still working on progress
6. Roadrunners/Panthers: providing support to new patrol and younger scouts as needed

New Business:

2009/2010 Reward Trip: Stoner- Misner will be involved probably at Arrowhead—boating possibly rent a cabin on lake and stay overnight.

Fishing Show: Stoner- opportunity scouts can make money July 8th Ten to 20 scouts needed to unload convention center. Can have boys go but not under the "troop 444" flag. It was determined that more details would have to be given.

Training coordinator- Angel Burgess volunteered for the position.

Decals for Troop Trailer: Joe Wolfe to check with Sandra Hipshure

Charter Organization Issues- Wolfe—sent email concerning copy room usage. We were expecting to use this room. No response from church as of meeting. Joe to call Becky about copy room reservation. Also Troop trailer insurance by church....was that happening or not....

Summer Camp: Misner requested that we have some new scouts going to camp that have never had Dan Beard...but to keep up with their peers could the rule be waived for them this year to allow them to do merit badges with their peers within the patrol...Misner suggested a crash course in the Dan Beard before camp and then allow them to go. All agreed.

Physicals: Starting in 2010, new forms will be used for summer camp physicals and ALL scouts will have to have the new form filled out and sent in before camp! We need to push hard the physicals before camp time. Boys going to Jamboree will NOT have to have another physical.

Scoutmaster Report:

Dr. Keough reported on a situation involving Brenda Ferrell and Brian's participation in the First Aid merit badge requirements plus summer camp attendance. It was brought to the attention of the committee that Ms. Ferrell had been advised that Brian could not complete the entire requirements and being that he could not complete the required tasks, he could not receive the merit badge nor could he take this course in summer camp. Ms. Ferrell was then advised that she would have to attend meetings/outings/camps with Brian to control his behavior. In regards to weekly meetings, she was to keep him under control with no outbursts disrupting the flag ceremony, nor the announcements. It was further discussed that Ms. Ferrell be informed that the committee voted not to allow Dr. Keough sign off on Brian's summer camp forms. Paul Lear moved that the committee not allow Dr. Keough to sign off on any paperwork for Brian's merit badges without committee approval. Taylor seconded the motion...all voted in favor. There was a question to order on the validity of such a motion. Primka noted that the motion had already carried and the motion stands..that Dr. Keough would not be allowed to sign off on Brian Ferrell's summer camp forms nor any further merit badge forms unless committee approval. Some discussion incurred with regards to Ms. Ferrell taking Brian's paperwork to another troop and getting approval. Mr. Misner stated that this could be done. Most forms are not scrutinized for accurate troop signatures with scouts names. Taylor made another motion that Wolfe was to communicate to Ms. Ferrell this decision regarding summer camp forms and Brian's participation in the troop. All agreed.

Old Business: none discussed.

There being no further business, Taylor made the motion to adjourn and Keough seconded...meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Cannon-Marley, Secretary