# November 14, 2018 Troop 216 Committee Meeting DRAFT VERSION

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Annette Schoeberle. In attendance:

Neil Joellenbeck, Larry Miller, Tim Valley, Steve Dunning, Phillippe Welsh, Shane Smith, Annette Schoeberle, Bryan O’Koniewski, Mike O’Koniewski, Gary Gill, Diane Gill, Steve Kupsky, Mike Veith, John Evans

**Secretary Report —** Motion to approve the minutes from the October 10, 2018 Troop 216 Adult Committee Meeting as presented was made by S. Smith; seconded by P. Welsh and approved with full acclaim.

**Treasurer’s Report –** A generous donation of $1,000 from the Klie Family has been accepted by the Troop and the family has placed no restrictions on how the donation may be used. Scoutmaster G. Gill had initially informed the family we may put the funds towards the purchase of a dual-axle, air-brake Troop trailer with the possibility that we may have a potential buyer for our current trailer that would also help to fund the new trailer.

S. Dunning says the annual Re-Chartering process for the Troop has begun.

**Activities Chair Report—** Diane Gill:

There is 1 open slot left for the CPR Training on Tuesday, Dec. 4.

The troop’s annual Lock-In at the YMCA will be scheduled for the 1st Week of December.

A cabin camping trip may be on the weekend of Jan. 11-13 or 18-20. February we are looking at an Indoor Rock Climbing trip and a Caving expedition for March. We have high hopes for camping at Beaver Dam in April.

There is no new updates on Philmont 2019. G. Gill suggested we should start polling for who is and isn’t interested in going in 2019 from last year’s group.

Deadline for signing up for the Lock-in will be Monday, Dec. 3.

**Advancement Chair Report—** Shane Smith:   
  
Eagle Scout Court of Honor ceremonies are scheduled for Joel D. (Friday, Nov. 16) and Evan D. (Saturday, Nov. 24).

P. Welsh suggested we look at the Scoutbook Advancement software program now that it will be available from BSA for free and national accepted compared to ScoutBook. S. Kupsky announced TroopMaster training will be featured at the December District meeting.

**Council/District Representative Report –** Steve Kupsky

Registration is now open for University of Scouting Merit Badge Day in January and at SIUE. Klondike will again be held at Camp Warren Levis and will be on Saturday, Jan. 12, 2019. Some families of females have expressed an interest in joining a Boy Scout troop but to date, there appears not to be a Chartering organization that can sponsor female scouts (it is believed that separate Adult Leadership – namely a female Scoutmaster – would have to be in place for females to join and this is believed to be per BSA guidelines for admitting females into BSA). M. Vieth stated that First Christian Church, as the sponsor for Troop 216, would be supportive of the Troop’s directions.

**Fundraising Report –** Mike O’Koniewski

The St. Louis Cardinals have again reached out to us to consider a game date for 2019 ticket fundraiser. G. Gill wants to inquire about reducing the required number block tickets for Cardinals’ game date fundraiser. P. Welsh reports 2019 Cardinal Calendars sales have concluded and they will arrive soon. Four scouts sold 47 calendars. DRAFT

**Quartermaster Report –** Karen O’Koniewski (from M. O’Koniewski)

Scouts are trying to get all Tents that are in scout possession back in for inspection and to rectify inventory as well. There are about 6 tents from Troop 71 in storage that are virtually new and could be added to our stores for future campouts. T. Valley inquired about how many tents are in current inventory. J. Evans believes to be about 13-14. New parent to the troop Mike Fairburn is interested in lending his time and talents to the Troop and helping the Quartermaster chair may be a good fit.

**Communication Report –** Steve Dunning   
  
We are looking for suggestions for new content on the website. Trevor W. and Anthony E. have been approached about authoring blogs regarding Scout leadership. Scouting for Food pickup will be on Saturday, Nov. 17 at 10 a.m.

**Recruitment Report –** Mike O’Koniewski

Meeting with Cub Scout Troop 4034 went well and we have contacted Cub Scout Troop 4075 as well. Cub Scout Troop 4216 Arrow of Light Webelos will be attending our weekly Troop meeting on Monday, Nov. 17.

**Senior Patrol Leader Report –** Bryan O.

SPL is settling into new role and is learning a lot. He plans to continue working on improving meeting agendas for weekly Troop meetings. G. Gill suggested to continue taking notes to help retain leadership suggestions offered to him by others. Also as part of learning and understanding leadership, we adults are here to help so as SPL can begin to delegate responsibilities to his fellow scouts as opportunities arise.

**Scoutmaster Report –** Gary Gill  
  
Primary adult Point-of-contact (POC) roles have been fulfilled for scout events thru the end of the calendar year. A Patrol Leader Conference (PLC) should be scheduled soon with SPL in early 2019. A thank you to K. O’Koniewski for her POC efforts on Scouting for Food. Don Halpin will most-likely be accepting a role with District as their High Adventure coordinator, so the Troop will need someone to step into that role for the Troop. Vandeventer Campout was cold and rainy but we had good attendance. Troop marched in Glen Carbon’s Veteran’s Day parade and a thank you to Larry Miller for organizing our participating in Edwardsville’s Veteran’s Day parade.

**Committee Chair Report –** Annette Schoeberle

Rechartering is continuing and the Youth Protection Training (YPT) records continue to be a challenge.

**New Business –** S. Smith reports STEM Merit Badge will be on Dec. 15 at UMSL. L. Miller that there are Scholarship opportunities for Eagle Scouts with those who are related to American Legion members. We are looking into Class B shirts that will be dry-fit style and have Troop 216 logo with work done through BJ Printables.

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**Old Business –** Proposed changes are being double-checked for Membership Packets with Tara Kuehe.  
Motion to adjourn made by J. Evans; seconded by T. Valley and approved with full acclaim.

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