

## Troop 216 Committee Meeting minutes

July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Attendance:** Mike Veith, Steve Kupsy, Mark Mason, Albert Middeke, Mike O'Koniewski, Dave Kistner, Christin Rigoni, Gary Gill, Tim Valley, Mark Koester, Sam J. , Kevin and Katie Buckingham, Nathan Payne, Barb Kane, Brian Heil

### **Eagle Scout Presentation:**

None presented.

### **Secretary Report – Dave Kistner**

Meeting minutes from previous meeting were distributed by Albert Middeke via email previous to meeting and approved.

### **Treasurer Report: Tim Valley**

Tim submitted the balance sheet and scout accounts to the committee. The existing balance is reflective of our current balance as charter dues are paid, Philmont is paid and there shouldn't be any outstanding debt or receipts. Current balance is roughly \$7000 for the troop.

- Portion of the restricted funds were used for NYLT camp for one member.

Treasurer's report was approved and accepted.

### **Scoutmaster Report**

- Philmont will leave on 7/18/23. Previously did 3 prep hikes and next meeting will review backpack packout training.
- Advancement continues as we have 2 scouts reviewing their projects to the Eagle board this month and we had one scout advance to star.
- Note: Mr. Mason notified the committee that he will be transitioning away from the scoutmaster role. He will continue in the role until end of Calendar year.
- Note: PLC meeting was ran concurrent with the committee meeting
  - Forward planning and next month detailed planning were being discussed.
  - Recruiting is emphasized for the current scouts.
  - This model of PLT and committee meeting running together will continue.

### **Activities Report – Christin Rigoni**

- Philmont in July. Leave 7/18/2023
- Aug 12-13 – Holiday world campout
  - Leave on Saturday morning.
  - Campsites booked.
  - Open to family if they want to attend.
- Sept – TBD
  - Tentative for a recruitment campout
- September 8-10. OA Lodge fall reunion and ordeal weekend.
- October- Rendezvous. October 6-8
  - Warren Levis
- November – Scouting for Food

- December – Lockin
- January – Klondike
- February - Tubing

#### **Advancement – Barb Kane**

- Barb got the advancement access to enter advancements from summer camp
- Determined a court of honor is necessary for October 16 or 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **Summer Camp – O’Koniewski**

- Early bird registration ends May 15<sup>th</sup>. Currently \$360 for scouts and \$200 for adults. Add \$30 after May 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - Determined we will ask for \$25 additional from each participant to cover incidentals such as the overnight cost on Saturday night and pulling the trailer.
- Need to determine if we need to use their tents or ours, as we must sign up.
- There is some additional forms for adults and all participants (including adults) have to be registered with the BSA. Health forms are also needed.
- Merit badge sign up opens April 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Mike O’Koniewski will set up or collect registrations. TBD.

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

- No report was given.

#### **Quartermaster Report – Gary Gill**

- Trailer should be in pretty good shape after summer camp. Only a few empty propane tanks were noted.
- May look into a new lighter canopy.

#### **Communications Report – Brian Heil/Mark Koester**

- Minutes will be filed on the site under minutes. Currently only under the announcements section
- The google calendar and scout book calendar are linked to the website currently.
- We have separate access for our scout webmaster to be able to update and load items
- Next item will be to load and save pictures on the site. Already linked to our google account if we save photos there and save by file.

#### **Recruitment- Mike O’Koniewski**

- Our goal is to recruit 3-5 scouts each year.
- As mentioned previously, we are top heavy and need to have new recruits join.
- Mentioned that we should attend the middle school open house to recruit. August 14<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30
- Mike will have a separate recruiting meeting at the next troop meeting.

#### **Fundraising – Various**

- Cardinal’s tickets
  - Tickets and money are due.

- Mike is working with our partner troop to get tickets returned in a timely manner. We have sold what we needed.

#### **Committee Chair – Mike O’Koniewski**

- Summarized summer camp and gave a debrief.
  - Scouts and adults enjoyed the camp. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive. Arriving a day earlier was beneficial.
  - We did pay a deposit to hold our site and week again for next year as a proactive step, while we aren’t committed.

#### **Charter Org Rep – Mike Vieth**

- No report given.

#### **Sr. Patrol Leader – Sam J.**

- Sam covered tentative plans from the PLC meeting.
  - July 31- inventory trailer
  - August 12-13. Holiday world
  - Aug 26-27. Swim party (Montclair)
  - Sept. TBD – canoeing or kayaking.
    - Further discussion led to possibly a recruitment campout
  - Sept 23. City Museum
  - October. Rendezvous. Oct 6-8
  - October. TBD – haunted hayride
  - October 15. It was mentioned that cub pack 75 would be camping if we had den chiefs or wanted to assist. More to come
  - November – scouting for food. Possibly visit Edison’s one weekend the same as scouting for food.
  - November – Veterans Day parade. Flag placement
  - December – ice skating.
  - December – shooting at Rhodes France
  - January – Lock-In
  - January – Klondike.
  - Future Ideas
    - Rock climbing
    - Ice skating
    - Cave tour (Marengo in IN)
    - Bowling

#### **Old business**

None

#### **New Business**

None

#### **Recurring items (unless otherwise specified)**

- Committee and PLC meetings – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday each Month. First Christian Church, 7pm
- District Roundtable – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday each month (except Jun, July, Aug). First Christian Church, 7pm.

### Calendar Summary (3 months)

#### **July**

Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup>. Regular meeting at First Christian, 7pm.

Tuesday, July 18<sup>th</sup>. Scouts depart for Philmont

Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>. **No Meeting. Philmont crew absent**

Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup>. Regular meeting at First Christian, 7pm.

#### **August**

Monday, Aug 7<sup>th</sup>. **PLC and committee meeting** at First Christian, 7pm. (moved due to recruitment event)

Saturday Aug 12-Sun Aug 13<sup>th</sup>. Holiday World Campout.

Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>.

- Regular meeting at First Christian, 7pm
- Recruitment event at both middle schools. 6-7:30. Details TBD

Monday, Aug 21<sup>st</sup>. Regular meeting at First Christian, 7pm.

Monday, Aug 28<sup>th</sup>. Regular meeting at First Christian, 7pm.

#### **September**

Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. No meeting- Labor Day .

Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. **Committee and PLC meeting** at First Christian, 7pm.

Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting at First Christian, 7pm.

Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. Regular meeting at First Christian, 7pm.