

Boy Scout Troop 814

Committee Meeting – August 28, 2007

Attendance:

Karl Crook (chair),	Kerry Moore,	Dave Thornton (scoutmaster),
Nick Andromalos,	Tim Reed,	Nathan Gettinger (ASM),
Janet Bailey,	Jeff Smith,	Greg Ohlemacher (SPL),
Paul Carlisle,	Bryan StClair,	Michael Bowens,
Mark Hilligoss,	Lois Thompson,	Justin Lanier,
Sheryl Lanier,	Tod Winters,	Alex Moore
Doug Miller,	Vince Yates,	

Minutes: Doug Miller distributed the minutes from the 06/26/07 meeting. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: No report this month. (Note: August campout money needs to be deposited. Summer camp fees for adults need to be collected and deposited.)

Eagle Scout Updates

Name	DOB	Comments (Life Scouts in dark type)		
Matt Young	04/08/89	EAGLE	Zach Evans	09/22/90 1
Sam Carlisle	05/28/89	L – age 18 – ECOH ?	Kenny Golonka	12/02/90 S
Nate Winters	07/30/89	L – age 18 – ECOH ?	Chris Carter	02/06/91 L
Ryan West	10/05/89	EAGLE	Nate Evans	02/24/91 1
Adam Reed	02/19/90	EAGLE	M Bowens	05/31/91 S
Max Lown	04/04/90	L – no report	Travis Lanier	07/14/91 L
Jared Yates	05/17/90	L – presented project previously, summary below	Cody Meister	07/30/91 L
G Ohlemacher	06/28/90	1	Josh Brown	09/17/91 L
Alex Moore	07/14/90	L – presentation at tonight's meeting, see below	Kevin Colvin	12/22/91 L
Rob Reckner	08/15/90	S	Keith Crook	01/09/92 L
			Greg Carlisle	04/08/92 L

Note: DOB and Rank are from TroopMaster and other sources; information may be incorrect.

Eagle Scout Presentations:

(1) Alex Moore – He presented his Eagle Project for the benefit of the Capital Area Humane Society. He distributed a handout and discussed his plans to build a new storage cabinet for bags and to upgrade the laundry area storage area. The committee suggested the development of a planning document, to include: (1) who the project is to benefit, (2) what needs to be done, with a list of specific tasks, (3) a plan for at least 80-100 hours of work, including planning time, (4) how volunteers are solicited and the tracking of hours worked, (5) addressing safety issues, (6) how to demonstrate leadership, (7) a “write up” that could be passed onto other scouts, and (8) who has the final authority to approve the project within the organization being benefited. The committee approved Alex's project with Vince Yates (planning only) and Tim Reed as advisors.

(2) Jared Yates – His project to benefit Rosemont Center was discussed at summer camp and troop meetings. He plans to construct 6 picnic tables for the commons open area. The project was scaled down somewhat, but may also include the painting of parking lot blocks and rooms. Two-deep leadership will be needed. Jared is to meet with Mrs. Lento tonight, 8/28.

Campouts – High Adventure – Other Events

Sep 21-23 – Rocket Campout – Otter Run.

Oct 5-7 – District Fall Camporee – Hale Farm near Akron.

Date Reminders: **Wood Badge** (9/7-9, 10/13-15) - **Green Bar** (9/15, 9/29-30, 10/20-21)

Reports

Senior Patrol Leader Report: Greg Ohlemacher (SPL) reported (along with committee comments):

1. **Upcoming campouts and meetings:** Greg listed upcoming events. (See the website calendar.)
2. **Advance planning:** Troy needs advance notice for the trailer. Planning must be done for menus, schedules, special equipment, etc.
3. **Otter Run:** A fee will possibly be charged for rockets. See Troy for reservation. ASM is needed.
4. **Hale Farm:** ASM is needed.
5. **Planning Campout in November:** Camp Joy of Living is not available. We will try for Malabar Farm.

Scoutmaster Report: Dave Thornton reported (along with committee comments):

1. **Popcorn:** Dave was called by council. We must sell popcorn for free advancement. Orders can be taken or we can have it for immediate delivery. Both the troop and council would receive funds. This would be a new fundraiser for the troop. In the past, only Cub Scout Pack 814 sold popcorn. Through Friends of Scouting (FOS), the troop has had a good showing and raised about \$1800.
2. **Summer Camp 2008:** Camp Crooked Creak, near Clermont, south of Louisville, KY. Karl will reserve and get a check from Stacey. We will try for 3rd or 4th week in June since the camp's season ends early.
3. **Nagatamen:** No scouts attended training.
4. **Service Opportunities:** (1) Wild Fest (Sept 29) in Shawnee Hills needs scouts and adults for admission and concessions from 12-5 pm. (2) Soup Kitchen at Holy Rosary Church needs adults and scouts (age 12+). We could possibly tag-team with Scioto Ridge. Catholic schools usually work on it.
5. **Fish and Wildlife Merit Badge:** Offered at the Columbus Zoo on October 21. Signup starts Sept 4. (Doug was to send email, but since Dave was to be out-of-town during the week of Sept 4, the email was not sent.)
6. **Shawnee / Camp Oyo Campout:** It was not the greatest. We need more planning.
7. **Planning:** We need to make a plan and execute it. Paul Carlisle suggested we need to set it in motion. We need a format and a timeline. The troop should be "boy led" but the boys need to be taught. Tod Winters may have planning information. Karl had previously developed a preliminary planning form.
8. **Conservation:** Opportunities are needed.

Committee Reports

Quartermaster and Equipment: Paul Carlisle, along with Justin Lanier (quartermaster), recently inspected the tents. We have 15 (of 17) useable tents. A few tents are missing; we should request that tents be returned promptly. The worst problem results from not drying and airing out of tents after use. Some wear and tear was evident, but overall they were pretty good. A suggestion was made to tag the tents with a detachable tag for sign-out.

Advancement: (See Eagle Scout updates above.)

- **Boards of Review:** The following scouts advanced tonight: Ian Losey (2nd Class), Michael Bowens (Star), Keith Crook (Life), and Kevin Colvin (Life). Sean Ruff's BOR was postponed due to other commitments.
- **Troop Court of Honor:** Sunday, 9/30, 5:00-7:30 pm, at Jeff Smith's house, potluck at 5:00, COH at 6:00 or 6:30. Possible skits at COH ?

Outdoor Activities: (See various campouts and events reported above.)

- **Activity Hours:** Nick Andromalos agreed to replace Mark Hilligoss, who has recorded the activity hours for several years. Thanks to Mark for a superb job. Hours are still needed for various campouts. Extra hours must be requested from scouts for National Camporees or other scout activities outside the troop. Possibly this is a job for the scribe. The Bushwhack Hike and patch purchase is also a function that was performed by Mark.

Greenery Sales: Dale Young is transferring information to Bryan StClair. Handout at COH on 9/30 is needed.

Membership: No report this month.

High Adventure:

- **Philmont High Adventure -- Summer 2008:** No change. Still wait-listed in 9th spot. Date is not available.
- **Sea Base – December 2009:** Reserve in January. 23 mo lead time for Christmas, 14 mo for Spring Break.
- **Other 2009 High Adventure:** Consider less expensive alternatives, such as Tinnerman, Northern Tier, backpacking on the Appalachian Trail, rock climbing or rafting in West Virginia, bike trail ride to Washington DC.

Other Reports: None.

Old Business

Name Tags: Black plastic tags seem to be the only name tags available. We have no information on cloth name tags. Possibly, they can be distributed at the upcoming COH.

Merit Badge Counselors: We need counselors for Eagle-required and other merit badges. Elizabeth Ireland volunteered for Family Life, First Aid, and Personal Fitness. Other counselors are needed. A registration form needs to be filled out. More information is needed on how to register.

Old Business – Pending – (but not discussed at this meeting)

Katrina Cheque: Cheque for Katrina Relief from penny wars is still not cashed.

Training: Youth Protection Training and other courses are online at <http://olc.scouting.org>.

Gas Reimbursement: No update.

Inactive Troop Accounts: No update.

New Business

Record Storage: A lockable filing cabinet is needed for long-term storage. The scribe could be involved in making a notebook and keeping records.

Planning for meeting and activities: This was addressed somewhat in the above sections. No additional discussion.

Submitted by Doug Miller