

Boy Scout Troop 339
Committee Meeting Minutes
November 3, 2009

To: Scoutmaster: Craig Lindsay*
Assistant Scoutmasters: Tom Cunningham, Tim Frank, Jody Giles, Jim Langston, David Lee, Bruce Nelson, Jason Parrott, Jeff Patrick, Kevin Rivera, Chris Rott, Wally Smith
Committee Chairman: Gary Thomas*
Advancements: Susan Boone*, Joan Fritz
Chartered Organization Representative: Scott Wiley
Treasurer: Jeff Livas*
Committee Members: Chris Allen, Jane Aurelio, Bob Bieri, Steve Boone, Mike Browning, Mary Dushel, Don Griffin, Kathy Hamlett*, Dan Lund, Michael Milligan, John Minnick, Stacey Russell, Susan Sharkey*, Lynn Sullivan*, Ed Thomas

From: Secretary: Sara Thomas*

Next Roundtable: 9 November and 14 December: Gary Thomas (charter renewal)
Next Committee Meeting: 8 December at the Thomas' house at 7:00 p.m.
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* Attendees

I. Scoutmaster's Report

- A. Venture Patrol: Expectations for the patrol have been written. They will plan the 2011 Sea Base Trip.
- B. Scuba trip coming up. Be on the lookout for information.
- C. New cookware: Purchased utensils, griddles, bowls, and large frying pans for each of the patrols. The old stuff will be either donated or thrown away, based on its condition.
- D. Trip Planning:
 - i. Craig will purchase 12 one-inch binders – one for each month – which will include forms for expenses, advancements, etc to assist in trip planning. They will also contain the permission slips for that particular trip. However, the medical forms will continue to be in a separate binder.
 - ii. These binders will be kept for a year. There will also be a section for lessons learned (aka “roses, buds, and thorns”) to assist with planning the same or similar trip in the future.
- E. Scouts / PLC:
 - i. A couple of new scouts have joined the troop.
 - ii. MB classes are going well.
 - iii. Practice notification drill is coming up in the near future for Emergency Preparedness MB.
 - iv. Handheld electronics will only be used at certain times during the December Annual Cabin Camping trip. Electronics are otherwise not allowed on Scout trips.

- v. Dessert Contest during the December Annual Camping Trip: PLC decided that a \$10 prize for each winning scout to be spent at the camp store.
- vi. Junior Leader Training: PLC decided that it will be done intermittently during December's Cabin Camping.
- vii. PLC is assisting with forming new patrols.
- viii. Craig presented the guidelines for Scoutmaster Projects to the scouts.

F. Activities:

- i. January Trip: POC is Jeff Patrick
- ii. February Ski Trip: POC is Bruce Nelson.

G. March: MB Madness

H. Dates to Remember:

- i. 2 December: Elections
- ii. 16 December: Holiday Party
- iii. 23 and 30 December: Winter Holidays – no meetings
- iv. 1 January: New Positions take effect.

II. Old Business:

- A. Website: Susan S. will give Matt T. access to the site for the Eagle page. Lynn requested that Susan update her (Lynn's) email address.
- B. Trailer: Gary reported that Craig will get the tires replaced and it will be inspected. Gary is working on getting some insurance quotes for the troop gear. The church will cover the trailer on its insurance policy.

III. Treasurer's Report: Jeff asked the committee to let him know if there are errors in the financial reports for the last few trips. Please see the website for the latest dues and High Adventure Fund (HAF) account balances.

IV. Advancements / Training:

- A. Upcoming Eagles: Andrew W's project was 31 October; Jeffrey P. and Ben's are also working on their advancement.
- B. Training for Charter: Gary may need to take some additional online training.
- C. Steve and Susan are working on internet advancement spreadsheet.
- D. Mentoring for younger scouts program.

V. Fundraisers:

- A. Committee discussed the distribution of donations to the troop during fundraisers. Discussion for future donations included donating a portion to needy Boy Scout Troops and/or scouts in our own troop. Craig to get input from the PLC on what they think about this.
- B. A vote was taken and all donations will go to the troop at this time.

VI. New Business:

- A. Next Court of Honor will be March 17th.

- B. Temporary Secretary from March to August: Many, many thanks to Kathy Hamlett for volunteering to sub for Sara – especially since she’s also the POC for Yawgoog!
- C. December’s meeting will be on the 8th – Gary and Sara will be out of town. This date is still before the Roundtable.
- D. Scouting for Food: Susan S. reported that our troop has Berrywood again this year. Scouts will drop off bags the last Saturday in February and pick them up – FULL OF NONPERISHABLES! – the first Saturday in March.
- E. Yawgoog:
 - i. Kathy H. reported that the bus is booked and at the same rate as last year.
 - ii. Sibling discount (\$30) will be discounted to the families involved up front. Families will need to indicate on the sign-up form that they have more than one scout going.
 - iii. Kathy is also revising the form to assist parents and ensure they know of the meetings, etc. She will send to Craig to review.
 - iv. Payment schedule – committee agreed to raise the first payment / deposit (which is nonrefundable) to \$150. Also, scouts won’t be on the list until they fill out the form and pay the deposit.
- F. Re-chartering: Committee’s next big project.
- G. Roundtable Attendance: If unable to attend, please contact another committee member or the Scoutmaster and switch with them. **ACTION:** Gary to put together next year’s schedule.

11-9-09 Gary Thomas (Charter renewal pick up)
 12-14-09 Gary Thomas (Charter renewal turn in)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

This is not a complete list. Please refer to Troop emails and go to the Troop calendar (<http://www.troop339.org/calendar.html>) for the latest information.

Nov 9: District Roundtable / Rechartering	POC: Gary Thomas
Nov 13-15: Four Rivers District Camporee	
Nov 21-22: Philmont Shakedown	POC: Jody Giles
Dec 2: Troop Elections	POC: Craig Lindsay
Dec 8: Troop Committee Meeting	POC: Gary Thomas
Dec 14: District Roundtable / Rechartering	POC: Gary Thomas
Dec 18-20: Camp Rodney Trip	