**Troop 130 Committee Meeting**

**March 9, 2017**

Kevin Schomacker Bob Hill Julia Roith John Sullivan

Patty Crossland Justine St. John Greg Berry George Yates

Arthur St. John Ken DeMars Kristen Reyzer Gary Thorburn

Gary Jones

Treasurer’s Report:

* Gary provided the current balance sheet. Money paid for Northern Tier makes the assets look higher than they really are. Current assets are $49,072. Total equity is currently $15,905.

Advancement:

* Ken is working on getting Second Class scouts advanced to First Class so they will be eligible for Order of the Arrow. OA nominations will be done this month. One Scout will be turning 18 in April, he is proposing an Eagle project and still has merit badges to finish.

Past Trips and Activities:

* Cabin Camping, Camp Woronoak: For the 3rd year in a row the trip was cut short due to snow, but the trip went well. The Scouts really enjoy the snow tubing outing.
* Cabin Camping, Hidden Valley: The cabin had no working bathroom, and no latrine in safe walking distance. The major activity of the weekend was the cooking challenge. The camp does not allow cooking inside the cabin, and the outdoor temperatures were below 20 degrees, which made keeping the stoves lit a challenge. The camp has promised the cabin will have a working bathroom and kitchen before next winter.

Upcoming Trips and Activities:

* Webelos Crossover Pack Meeting: the Webelos changed the date from March 17th to March 24th
* All of the upcoming trips are booked except Osceola Vista. Justine had questions about which site to book. Bob ranked the top choices of sites for Justine.

Quartermaster:

* Not having the trailer on trips has been frustrating for Bob, having to pull gear before trips and make sure there is enough space in vehicles to transport the gear. If the trailer won’t be going on trips anymore, the gear needs to be bundled differently for ease of pulling gear to travel. The troop needs a new quartermaster, to monitor the youth quartermasters, and make sure supplies stay stocked. John Sullivan would like a key to the trailer and volunteered to work with the youth quartermasters at meetings. He is already familiar with the gear from going on all the trips. Ideally would like a parent of a younger Scout to train at the position with John for a few years.

Other Business:

* David Cox, an Eagle Scout and former Troop 130 parent, donated $1500 to the Troop toward scholarships. He also tried to donate 20 new Scout handbooks but due to a mix up with the delivery address, they were sent back to the Outdoor Store, who sold a few of them before the remaining 17 were eventually delivered to Bob. Gary Thorburn will write a thank you letter to David.
* Northern Tier: Robert Hale will be coordinating trip plans. One of the first priorities is getting the dates for Wilderness First Aid training set up. Arthur St. John will be making airline arrangements.
* Troop Website: The new site is done. Eliot Madow holds the domain name. troop130.org will repoint to the address on the free site, instead of paying $8/month to keep the domain name. Greg will email Eliot to get the domain name repointed to the new site.

Next meeting April 6th