

# Jan 8, 2023 Minutes

The Committee members, parents and Boy Scouts present met together for the first hour. Then the Committee and parents split from the Scouts for the second hour.

Nic discussed with the scouts his desire to present Leadership Training and games at 3 meetings this year.

## Topics discussed:

1. Summer Camp
  - a. Nic suggested Maumee which is located around Hoosier National Forest
    - i. Fees: \$315/early registration with \$345/late registration
    - ii. Dates available: the weeks of June 11, 18, 25 and July 9
    - iii. Drive: Approximately 2 hours
    - iv. Specialties: Tents provided
    - v. This is the scout's FIRST CHOICE
  - b. [Jessica Church](#) suggested Famous Eagle located south of St. Louis
    - i. Fees: \$370/early registration with \$390/late registration
    - ii. Dates available: the weeks of June 11, 18, 25 and July 9
    - iii. Drive: Approximately 3 hours
    - iv. Specialties: May have Merit Badges offered boys may not usually have access to.
    - v. This is the scout's SECOND CHOICE
  - c. Nicole Clifford suggested Camp Boxwell located near Nashville, TN
    - i. Fees: \$370/early registration with \$390/late registration
    - ii. Dates available: the weeks of June 11, 18, 25 and July 2
    - iii. Drive: Approximately 3 hours
    - iv. Specialties: Tents provided, trade school merit badges, watersports
    - v. This is the scout's THIRD CHOICE

\*Brandon Lurhing will look into all 3 camps to see availability for the weeks of June 18 and July 9.

2. Sommerfest June 15-17, 2023
  - a. All agreed nachos and pretzels w/ cheese sauce offered for the bierstube side of our stand and Dip n Dots offered for the crowd side sounded like great food options for our fundraiser.
  - b. Jessica Church said she would inquire about borrowing the nacho warmer from the baseball concessions.
  - c. We will still take care of the bierstube cleanup as another fundraiser.

- d. More details will be discussed closer to Sommerfest
3. Scouting Journey to Excellence
- a. Nic wants this to be a troop goal
  - b. This program is a guidebook on what everyone should be doing as a troop
  - c. Can earn Bronze, Silver or Gold Rating
  - d. Committee takes care of the budget side of the troop
  - e. Scouts take care of inviting new members & letting the committee know if they are not having fun or not learning anything anymore
  - f. Boys must work on their ranks, and speak up more about what they need to do, not their parents communicating their needs
  - g. Committee takes care of volunteer activities
4. Crossover for Webelo 2 (Ceremony)
- a. Will be held Sunday, February 26 at 3:00 pm, immediately followed by the troop meeting
  - b. Asking all Webelo 2 and Boy Scouts to attend
5. 2023 Calendar of Events (all events are subject to change)
- a. January 21 - Vincennes Merit Badge University
  - b. January 22 - Pinewood Derby for Cub Scouts
  - c. January 27/28 - Old Ben Winter Camporee
  - d. February 4 - Vet Science Merit Badge (2 hours at noon)
    - i. Location: County Seat Hospital (No prerequisites)
  - e. February 11 - USI Merit Badge University
  - f. February 18 - Outdoors Putt-Putt at Walther's in Evansville
  - g. February 26 - Webelos 2 ceremony
  - h. March 11 - Jasper Merit Badge University
  - i. March 18 - Possible Turkey Run Hike/Campout
  - j. April 1 or 15 - Possible Roller Skating
  - k. April 16 and 23 - at meetings work on a Merit Badge together
  - l. May 6 or 7 - Possible Escape Room
  - m. May 20 or 21 - Possible Scales Lake Campout
  - n. June 3 - Townwide Yard Sale (Fundraiser)
  - o. June 15-17 - Sommerfest Booth and cleanup (Fundraisers)
  - p. June 18 or July 9 - Summer Camp
  - q. Late July - Possible Cave Crawl
  - r. August - Possible St Louis Museum
  - s. September 9 or 16 - Haubstadt Dump Day (Services Hours)

- t. November - boys figure out 2 weekends to work on "Woodworking Project" for nursing home gifts for Christmas
6. Recharter
    - a. Tina Lamey will take charge of this with committee help when needed
    - b. Recharter amounts are \$75/scouts & \$45/adult leaders
    - c. Last year troop paid \$1605 with parents paying half for their scout
    - d. Committee approved parents would pay half for their scout again for this year, 2023, with the possibility of the troop paying full price in 2024 if fundraising went well for a 2nd year in a row.
  7. Haubstadt Chamber
    - a. Gave \$1300 to the troop to purchase equipment for the trailer and our activities
      - i. They did ask for us to try to buy local in support of those businesses
      - ii. Eric Meny will give us items at cost
    - b. Chamber is supposed to give us the \$800 left over from Nathan Steurer's Eagle Scout Project, but nothing definitive has happened yet.
    - c. Committee approved to move forward with purchasing items off the list that Nic and Laura had put together.
  8. First Aid Kit
    - a. Nic & Laura reached out to a company to help us figure out what kind of kit to purchase for our scouting needs.
    - b. It will be small enough for us to carry with us on activities such as hiking.
    - c. It will be kept on the trailer
    - d. Committee approved the purchase of a kit that costs \$219.99. The funds will be taken out of the \$1300 from the Chamber.
    - e. There was a parent who thought he could get us a few more items that may be worth having in this kit as well.
  9. Summer Camp Tote Idea
    - a. Tina Lamey came up with an idea to see if past scouts would want to sell their summer camp tote to the troop. This way we could offer them to incoming scouts to use at their first summer camp.
    - b. After the meeting, Jon Taylor thought if the troop didn't want to purchase and store these totes, veteran parents could at least help new parents get in contact with a past scout who might be done with their summer camp totes.

10. Crossover items given to the new scouts
  - a. Troop will provide: Neckerchief, Shoulder Loops & Handbook each year for incoming scouts (webelo 2s)
  - b. This was approved by the committee at this meeting
  
11. Scout Shop Account
  - a. Committee approved that \$500 will be deposited into the troop account at the Eyecamp Scout Shop for future purchases of Merit Badges and Rank and Position patches.
  
12. Troop Bank Account Balance
  - a. There is approximately \$4500 in our account as of this meeting.
  
13. Flat Fee Idea for Troop Activities
  - a. Committee approved trying out a flat fee for activities moving forward for the 2023 scout year.
  - b. Instead of the Treasurer telling each scout present at an activities owes AFTER the event, there will be a flat fee that will be set.
  
14. Meeting Dates
  - a. Committee Meetings will be held the 1st Sunday of each month at 3:00 pm
  - b. Troop Meetings will be held every Sunday at 4:00 pm, except when we have an event or outing that weekend.
  
15. New Fundraiser Idea
  - a. Nicole Clifford asked if we would be interested in using a fundraising "Calendar" on Facebook.
  - b. Nicole will show us how to do this at another meeting, and a discussion will take place then.
  
16. Next Meetings
  - a. Troop Meeting (Boys) - Sunday, January 15 @ 4:00 pm at the old library
  - b. Committee Meeting (Parents) - Sunday, February 5 @ 3:00 pm at the old library