

Pack 169 Committee Meeting Minutes: 12 April 2013

I. The Meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM.

- Members Present: Brenda Rodriguez, Khayyan Ruiz, Annette Sweigart, Ali Ackroyd, Sally Pace, Donna Womble, Tricia Chapman, Curt Niebrugge, Susan Taliaferro, Robin Kohr, Ann McNeill, and Jerry Weed.

II. There were no guests or new members to introduce.

- A. The February and March Meeting Minutes were drafted and sent to the Committee Members prior to the meeting. They were approved as written.

III. Old Business:

A. Open Committee Positions (discussion led by Brenda)

- There are several open Committee positions that are in need of someone to step up to work, two of which are critical to the success of the Pack.
- We are in need of a new Popcorn Kernel by the May 30th Popcorn Extravaganza so that they can attend the event and learn how to be a proper Popcorn Kernel. This will be vital to the Pack as popcorn sales are our #1 fundraiser for the year.
- We are also in need of a new Pinewood Derby chairperson. This person will be responsible for learning how to properly set up the track, run the software, etc. and will need to be in place no later than Thanksgiving. Jerry volunteered to head up this effort as the person in the room with the most time left in the Pack, but was initially turned down due to his current schedule and the hopes that we will get someone to volunteer either over the summer or at/after our registration drives.
- We also have open positions for Webmaster, Public Relations Committee, and the soon-to-be-formed Tiger Cub Den.

B. Pack 40th Anniversary (discussion led by Brenda)

- The Pack's 40th Anniversary date is June 1st, 2014. The party celebrating this milestone will be held at the Blue and Gold Banquet in February, 2015. We will be able to raise funds and do 40th Anniversary events throughout the Pack's 40th year. Robin mentioned the possibility of getting new class B t-shirts screened with our 40-year mark on them.

C. Pancake Breakfast (discussion led by Brenda and Ali)

- Our annual Pancake Breakfast has been pushed back to September due to many scheduling conflicts. A motion was made to make this change permanent. The motion was seconded and carried by a unanimous vote. We will be looking for a date to have this once the Parish calendar is put forward beginning in July.

IV. Reports:

A. Treasurer – Annette Sweigart (present)

- In making an effort to tidy up the books and the current Pack Year budget, Annette indicated that there is currently \$4,139.24 in the Pack's bank account. We owe \$856.29 of that to the Boy Scout Troop for the boys who just crossed over for their Scout Accounts. We owe \$2,684.20 to current Cub Scouts for their accounts and so the Pack has \$668.67 left for the rest of the events this year until our Registration drives. Part of this shortfall is due to the need to recharter early (in November) and not having collected enough dues from the Scouts to cover that.
- We need to look into fundraisers to up the funds and we need to start tracking our expenditures much more closely.
- We made \$500 or so on concessions for the District Pinewood Derby. We actually lost money on the Pack Derby, so we will need to make some adjustments there.
- Car Wash Fundraisers are being done in June, July, and August. The June Fundraiser will be spearheaded by our new Religious Awards team as a way to raise funds specifically for those awards. July and August purposes will be determined later, but may also be used for Religious Awards if the June car wash does not do well enough to cover the Religious Awards projected needs. We spent about \$300 on Religious Awards this year.
- We need to collect an additional \$20 from each parent due to the re-charter to cover dues for the first half of this year. We've already paid Council for the whole year and have not recovered the money from another source.
- Service Stars. We're looking to purchase service stars for each of the boys this year indicating how many years of service they have in Scouting. Den Leaders will need to send names and year marks to Robin so she knows what to get. These will be given out at Crossover.
- Fundraising note: If you ever get to "Affordable Family Clothing" at the Dayton Mall, you can mention that you belong to Pack 169 in Huber Heights, and 10% of the profit earned from your purchase will be given to the Pack.
- The company that owns the Entertainment Books has gone bankrupt. The school will not be able to sell them this year, so the PTO is looking for another fundraiser. This is being mentioned here because popcorn was the first thought on the PTO's mind. Thankfully Tricia was at that meeting and indicated that the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts are already doing that and having two popcorn sales of similar products that close together would cause one, the other, or both to underperform. They are currently exploring other options.
- There was a fundraiser possibility explored for May 18th, but we have turned it down as it will be the day after the Lock-In.

B. Cubmaster – Khayyan Ruiz (present)

- We have two new ribbons for our Pack Flag: Journey to Excellence 2012 and Boy's Life 2012.
- We have the Scouting for Food patches for the boys who participated in the food drive. Please let Robin and Khayyan know which of your boys participated and how many items they collected.

- We also have the medals for popcorn sales (based on dollar amount). These will be given out by the Den Leaders at the April Pack Meeting.
- The Pack Meeting is next Friday, April 19th. The themes are Faith and Giving Thanks (we'll be focusing on Faith). If your Den is doing a skit or song, please let Khayyan know what they'll be doing. We've also invited Fr. Simone, or any other parish priest who is available to come and give the invocation and discuss faith as part of our lives. As Fr. Simone rarely comes, Tricia will attempt to contact Fr. Robert prior to our meeting.

C. Round Table – Khayyan Ruiz (present)

- Rick McQueen (District Executive) has asked if we have any boys who might be available to participate in a flag ceremony on Thursday morning, April 18th. As we're all parents of kids that will be in school, we politely declined.

D. Outdoor Activities – Ann McNeill (present)

- Crossover will be on May 4th at Cloud Park Pavilion #5. Setup will be at 3 PM, the event will begin at 4 PM. Registration (headcount) is due at the Pack Meeting, April 19th. The Dens are assigned to bring items as follows:
 - Pack: Hotdogs, Hamburgers, Condiments, Drinks, plates, flatware, etc.
 - Tigers and Webelos (10 scouts): Desserts
 - Wolves (13 Scouts): Side Dishes and Salads
 - Bears (14 Scouts): Side Dishes and Salads
- An aside on Crossover: The Pack will buy the normal bound books for each boy at their next rank level. Parents are asked to provide the new neckerchief, slide, and hat (optional). As at least a few of the parents we are aware of prefer the spiral bound books (which are more expensive), Jerry asked if it was possible to ask for those books instead. He was advised that spiral bound books would not be bought by the Pack and should be bought by the parents if that is their preference.
- Scout Honor Day at Newport Aquarium for our Pack will be Sunday, May 5th. Again, registration and payment for this event will be due no later than the April Pack Meeting, April 19th. The current plan for this day is that parents will be responsible for their own children. This is NOT a Pack event and was done this way to achieve the discounted ticket prices and admission to the "behind the scenes" events.
- Day Camp Registration and payment are due on Monday, April 15th. The cost is \$60. If you register after that, it will be \$70. There is an option for going half-days for the kids who will be attending Vacation Bible School in the mornings that week. Day Camp itself will be held at Cricket Holler on June 24th – 28th. We are in need of help from parents with Day Camp. If you have anyone willing to volunteer to help out and they are trained, please get them in contact with Khayyan or Ann.
- Resident Camp Registration and payment are due no later than Pack Crossover Day (May 4th). Cost is \$130. Again, if you are willing to help out with this event, and you are properly trained, please let Khayyan or Ann know. Parents who are willing to attend will be paying

the full adult price. Adult Den Leaders who are attending will pay a pro-rated price depending upon numbers of Scouts/Adults attending as the Pack gets 2 adults free for every 10 Scouts registered. Resident Camp will be held July 26th – 28th.

- May 25th will be the Grave Decorating Service Project. We need a headcount of Scouts attending this project by Crossover Day (May 4th) to determine how much material to bring and to record the service hours properly.
- Last date to turn in properly filled out medical forms is the Lock-In (May 17th). These are required to be filled out annually for anyone who will be attending a Cub Scout outdoor function. Only Parts A & B need filled out for most events. Part C only needs to be filled out by a physician if the Scout will be attending something moderate/high risk and/or if the event itself will last more than 72 consecutive hours.
- The Pack's Dayton Dragons game is July 8th. The stadium/facilities tour will begin at 5 PM (we'll need to be there by 4:30 PM). Registration and money for this event is due by the Pack Meeting, April 19th. We will be providing the color guard for the game that night. We have not decided which Scouts will be performing that function. All Scouts/Leaders have been asked to wear their uniforms for the game.
- The Lock-In itself will be held in Fehrenbach Hall on Friday, May 17th. Doors will lock at 7 PM and the boys will be released at 9 AM the next morning. This is a good opportunity to work on some belt loops and pins. The decision on whether or not parents need to be in attendance falls to the Den Leaders as they know their kids/parents the best and would be the one to assume responsibility for their Dens in the event that they are the only adult there. Any adult in attendance must have both their BSA and Archdiocesan Youth Protection Training up to date. We will be having movies (G/PG ratings, no more than 2) and popcorn. Leaders are advised to let their parents know to have their kids fed prior to attending. Breakfast (cereal and milk) will be served around 7 AM.

E. Concessions – Ali Ackroyd (present)

- Pancake Breakfast has been moved to some Sunday in September due to numerous scheduling conflicts. A date will be set after the Parish Calendar is released in July.

F. Awards – Robin Kohr (present)

- We need your award requests in to Robin by Wednesday so she can get to the Scout Shop to pick them up.

G. Training – Khayyan Ruiz (present)

- Michelle Lambert (Council Trainer) has advised that several of our Adult Leaders either need to complete their training or forward records indicating that they have completed their training. This includes anything ranging from Fast Start and This is Scouting to Den Leader Specific Training. Please work this effort through Khayyan. Current shortfalls include Donna and Tricia (Wolf and Bear Den Leader training) and Annette (Committee Member Training).

Remember to enter your membership ID number into your profile in the on-line tool to ensure that your name gets credited with the training you complete.

- BALOO training is coming up on May 4th. As May 4th is both Brick City Little League Opening Day and Pack Crossover Day, we're essentially unavailable for that date. We've requested that since there are several of us in need of this training that Khayyan or Brenda interface with Michelle to see about setting up a special BALOO session just for us on a Saturday or Sunday in the next few months. This training is vital as for the Pack to have an outdoor event; at least one leader must be trained in BALOO. Currently, the only leader we have trained in this is Khayyan, so if he can't be there, we can't have the event.
- OWL training is coming up on July 8th. This is highly encouraged for all Webelos Leaders.

H. Religious Awards – Susan Taliaferro (present)

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I. Pinewood Derby – vacant (discussion led by Brenda)

- There is no need to buy Pinewood Derby participation ribbons for next year and maybe the year after that. While cleaning up the closet, Brenda found several hundred of them.
- As a side note, we need to go through the closet and the trailer to reorganize things and clean them up. The floor of the closet will be marked and everything will be put away properly. We're hoping to do this sometime over the summer.
- Overall, the District representatives were pleased with the turnout, the facility, the concessions, and the A/V displays and we will likely be hosting it again next year.
- We will probably do the concessions for our Pack Pinewood Derby a little differently next year to avoid losing money on them like we did this time around.

J. Popcorn – vacant

- We need a new Popcorn Kernel by May 30th for the Popcorn Extravaganza so that they can learn how to do the Popcorn Kernel's job. If you have anyone willing to volunteer for this job, please let Brenda and Khayyan know.

K. Blue and Gold – vacant

- We need a person to run point for next year's Blue and Gold Banquet. This person will likely come from Curt's Den and will be responsible largely for theme, decorations, and food. The Committee, as always, will be there to assist in any way we can.

V. New Business:

- A. The Pack Calendar and Program Planning Meeting will be coming up in July (there is no Committee Meeting in June). Plan for this to be held at Brenda's house. A date will be e-mailed to the Committee as this draws closer (and we get through everything going on in May and June).
- We have already sent Jan Barbour our dates for meetings, but those won't be finalized until the 1st of July.

- Blue and Gold Banquet for next year will be held on February 8th, 2014.
 - Pinewood Derby (Pack) will be held on March 1st with setup occurring on February 28th.
 - The Lock-in will be held April 11th – 12th.
- B. Brick City Little League President Chuck Doran has asked our Pack (via Jerry) if we would be able to support their Opening Day Ceremonies (May 4th at Cloud Park at 10 AM) by providing a Color Guard. Susan, Donna, and Robin have volunteered to spearhead this effort. Jerry will re-engage with Chuck to let him know that we are good to go for that day.
 - C. Curt has made a suggestion that we invite the kids from Mary, Queen of Peace School (Corpus Christi Parish) to join our Pack since they do not have one of their own. This is being considered. The same suggestion was made for Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, but we thought it best to work with one parish at a time.
 - D. Sally has a nephew who is currently serving in Afghanistan. Apparently they have a modest Cub Scouting program with absolutely no money. We've requested that Sally send around the e-mail she got from him so we can send it around to our parents and solicit donations to send.
 - E. T-Shirts will be available at the April Pack Meeting for \$10 each. We're trying to sell the rest of them so we can get new ones made for our 40th Anniversary year.
 - F. The next Committee Meeting will be held Friday, May 3rd. Brenda will let us know at this meeting when the July meeting will be held.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 PM.