Pack 216 Cary NC

Committee Meeting Minutes

01 Dec 2014

7:00-8:30 pm

St. Michael’s Archangel Conference Room #3

Attendees:

Cerelisa B (Public Relations, Den 14)

Keith B (Charter Org Rep)

Bryn B (Den 3)

Jim (Committee Chair, Den 4)

Danielle (Cubmaster, Den 7)

Mihai (Training [former], Den 8)

Glenn G (Religious Emblem, incoming Cub master, Den 14, Den 2)

John D (Den 1)

David R (Treasurer, Den 13)

David G (Den 13)

Rachel S (Membership, Den 6)

1. **Gather and Agenda review/changes:** None
2. **Review Recent Activities**
   1. Fall Campout at Durant (7-9Nov, Den 13): Good event overall. ~80 participants with >100 signing up. Cold weather may have cause some to cancel at last minute. Came in under budget ($350 vs $400), even with camp fee ($2 per person per night). Need more chimneys for dinner. Pack to buy some more chimneys. Mihai has spreadsheet with historical data which will help next year. Need a meal prep coordinator. Should target Oct due to cold and dark, though sport activities are done in Nov which helps. Need to book camp early (in May). Good comments on this camp site. Parents should be reminded that no electrical appliances or electronic games should be brought to camp. Printed camp schedule was very helpful.
   2. Thanksgiving Basket (15-16Nov, Danielle): Went well. Some didn’t show up but plenty of help was available. Very grateful for donations that the dens gave. $170 in cash collected plus several boxes of food. Some den leaders didn’t get notice.
3. **Upcoming Pack Activities**
   1. Apex Parade (06Dec, Den 14): #24 out of 81 in parade lineup so hopefully not long wait to start and complete parade. Cerelisa to send all details to Pack. Need to get banner. Should be in shed. Needs a pole. 50 glow sticks and 50 necklaces received. Parade may take up to 2 hours, may need to slow down banner carriers since they tend to want to rush group walking in front.
   2. PW Derby Workshop (13Dec, Bob May): New and younger scouts encouraged to participate in this optional workshop due to the strict rules on car specs, etc.
   3. Caroling (21Dec, Den 13; 1:15 pm): Facilitate is very warm inside. David G has music sheets. Takes about 30 min, so should be done by ~2 pm. Scout to wear festive hats and Class A.
   4. Rock Climbing (Jan17, Den 4): Sign up at Dec Pack meeting. Jim to give info at meeting. Payment will likely be collected at site. More info needs confirmed by TRC and will be sent to Pack by Jim.
   5. PW Derby (Dens 8 and 10, 31Jan): Troop 216 is skiing that weekend, so help from 212 only is likely. Plenty of volunteers available usually but will need Den 8 and Den 10 to fill in where needed. This is the last activity that scouts that don’t recharter can participate in. New floor will be in parish center so will need to be careful. Caution not to put anything under timer under track due to risk of shorting device.
   6. Scout Sunday, with hot dog dinner (08Feb): 13 religious emblem workbooks given out. Non-Catholic emblems presentation can be done at own church, Glenn can help coordinate. This event is on father Doug’s calendar. All knots given at B&G. Reserving Shelter and food is not necessary at this time and will be coordinated by ‘key 3’ from each unit (Pack, Trps 212, 216). Cook out is at 5 pm followed by 6 pm mass.
   7. B&G Banquet (22Feb): Go with Green Hope High, if available. Option to going back to doing skits is favorable. No paid entertainment this year. Release Parish center once GH is reserved. Go to wake county web site to reserve. Can have Knights do ceremony if we want. Tigers bring down arrows. Plaques and Arrows to be made next month. OA ceremony? Can get too long. Eating after awards
   8. Conservation (March, Den 5): Town of Cary has program. Details to be determined later
   9. Big Trip (17-19Apr, Jim): Info to be presented at Dec Pack meeting by Jim. $92 per person cost. Will use entire ~$2000 Pack budget to offset scout costs (e.g. 40 scouts attend at $52 per). Lower rate for Bridged Webelos 2 will be considered on case by case basis (depending on number of Cubscouts signing up and the bridged scout’s effort with popcorn sales.)
4. **Membership** (Rachel): Rechartering at Dec Pack meeting. District didn’t raise rate, so we won’t. $60/72 depending on Boy’s life. Webelos 2 to pay $26/37 since no Pack fee will be collected, and then pay $1 for transfer to Troop if desired. Rachel to communicate to pack. Rachel needs to get signatures from Keith, Danielle. Glenn will get new Cubmaster position at recharter.
5. **Training** (Mihai): Youth Protection status (My.Scouting.org) reviewed during meeting. Leaders who are expired or set to expire before Jun2015 need to renew training. Josh G, Jen W and Erica H are/will expired but are no longer in Pack. Bill O is expired on the .org site but has taken training so needs resolved. Aric L expires on 05Feb so need to renew for rechartering even as a Web 2. Mihai and Valo are not listed on training and need to be for rechartering.
6. **Other Committee Member reports**
   1. Popcorn (Steve – Update sent ahead of meeting)
      1. *Everything appears to be settled with getting final product distributed. If there are any outstanding matters please let me know.*
      2. *Dave should be paying the final invoice today which will mean I get our gift cards for prizes from Council.  Goal is to have the in the hands of Den Leaders to distribute for Dec pack meeting.*
      3. *We'll announce the Pack prizes at the Pack meeting.*
      4. *I have some left over product that I'll sell at the Dec pack meeting including:*
         1. *2 Chocolate Lover's Collections*
         2. *2 Drizzles*
         3. *4 Caramel Corn*
         4. *1 Jalapeno Cheddar Corn*
         5. *~9 Cheddar Cheese Corn*

*If anyone on the committee wants first dibs they are yours. Would like to sell full price or no more than 10% discount for now.  We've paid all our bills so every dollar of these go to the Pack.*

* + 1. *I would like to get a lessons learned discussion with the Den Leaders/Den Kernels at some point.  Open to ideas on how to best do that - a committee meeting or something else.*
    2. *If the committee wishes, I'm happy to be penciled in to do Popcorn next year barring any radical changes in my work situation.*
  1. Treasurer (David R): 8900 budget, 16000 current actual but need to make payment to council yet. Detailed budget review planned for Jan/Feb2015
  2. Advancement (Barbara D – sent update by email):
     1. *Advancements- please remind den leaders of importance of getting the achievements in packmaster before the final report is run. When I have to update my hard copy manually there is more room for error and more time on my part to do these updates by hand. I'm usually trying to get out of the door to go to the shop when these last minute requests come rolling in. I'll also include that reminder when I send notice of updating packmaster in the next day or so.*
     2. *With all the changes coming up to the cub scout program it would be great to get someone in line to do the advancements for next year.*
     3. *Now that we are a couple of months into the scouting year, we could ask the Tiger den leaders how we could have improved their experience as new leaders. For example, helpful ideas could include:hold a Tiger leader orientation, create a tips/resources/expectations guide, or assign experienced leaders as mentors.*
  3. Charter Organization Representative (Keith): Short on money at Council level. They get it from FOS, summer camp and Popcorn. Membership down, Council attributes that to membership policy.
  4. Cubmaster (Danielle): Different location. Need multiple notices to Pack. Feedback on uniform inspection?....scouts took it well when not passing. Good that feedback didn’t come from their own den leader. Good to have consistent inspector.
  5. Committee Chair (Jim): Collected feedback on our current record keeping systems for training, roster, and advancement. (Packmaster, My.Scouting.org, spreadsheets, etc). Will discuss in detail in the future on if/how improvements should be made. Also as indicated by Steve and Barbara, we are at a good point to collect feedback from Den leaders, Den Kernels and parents on how specific pack operations are conducted (e.g. Popcorn, Tiger den leader and scout experience at start of scout year, etc). Jim will initiate and collect info for discussion at committee meeting in Jan or Feb.

Encouraged Leader to complete requirements for Adult Leader Awards, several of which are likely already done except for maybe visits to Roundtable or University of Scouting.

1. **AOB:** Distinguished Leader award nominations were submitted on 14Nov, and those were approved. However, district did not notify Pack. Those recipients and the religious emblem recipients are to be notified ASAP by Jim and Glenn since banquet is on 04Dec.