

Troop 697 Committee Meeting Minutes  
DRAFTED: November 21, 2006  
APPROVED: December 19, 2006

Present: Mr. Cardenas, Mr. Dolan, Mr. Gaulke, Mr. Kazimer, Mrs. Kourtz, Mr. Ramos, Mr. Shea, Mrs. Sherburne, Mr. Sherburne, Mr. Smith, Mr. Wyatt, and Mrs. Ziemba

**Minutes**-The October committee minutes were approved as written.

**Scoutmaster's Report**

- Eagle Status:

Buzz – will have a private ceremony

Connor - ceremony will be December 9<sup>th</sup> 1-3 p.m. in OSMH.

Will (EBOR was 11/9)—Troop's 38<sup>th</sup> scout to achieve this honor.

Adam (EBOR was 10/5/06)

Chris (EBOR will be 12/7)

Matt's Eagle project will be 12/2.

Phillip has not attended meetings lately.

Michael needs 4 months of leadership.

Andrew showed scoutmaster a project idea.

- Marian House decorating will be 12/10 (2-4pm?) (at the request of the K of C) to coincide with carolers singing at the house. It is felt that there are enough decorations for this year, ready to be taken out of storage.

- Court of Honor will be 1/4/07 rather than 12/19/06... This is a result of the positive comments from having the ceremony in January (after Christmas) last year.

- Shotgun shooting date is changed to accommodate Connor's Eagle Ceremony—now 12/16

- Had a good camp out last weekend at Bull Run. -8 scouts and 3 adults. Cody qualified for shotgun shooting 37/50.

- Troop elections were October 26<sup>th</sup> Sean is the new SPL

- Scouts will unload Christmas trees on 11/24 at OSMH, and will help unload Living Savior's trees ...Wear OLD clothes- not scout uniforms.

- Our participation in the Camporee 10/27-29 was cancelled due to weather.

Thank you to Mrs. Wyatt for chairing Scouting for Food... approx. 700 pounds of food was collected and given to St. Mary's food pantry. Next year we will need more scouts to assist with this.

- No meeting last week due to weather—FCPS cancelled evening activities.

**Treasurer's Report** - The balance sheet reflected a troop money balance of \$4,867.24. \$150 deposit for Rodney, \$200 deposit for the ski trip, \$545 Venture activity, \$5762.24 total assets, Venture Crew Assets \$762.50. We need to refund \$250 to Tim for Rodney. The \$300 check to the 697 Cub Scout Pack has not been cashed. Mr. Ramos will check with Mrs. Ramos about this—it may be appropriate to offer to give this \$300 back to the Knights. A full budget review will take place with

Mr. Kazimer and Mr. Gaulke, with info from Mr. Shea (troop ledger). Mr. Cardenas will be available to review budget.

**Advancement Report** – Rechartering is in process. Mr. Wyatt sent out rechartering forms via the US mail, since the last scout meeting was cancelled due to weather. Eagle Boards of Review—see scout master’s report. Boards of Review will take place at scout meetings 12/14 and 12/21. Software issues are better.

**Eagle Counselor’s Report-** See scoutmaster’s report.

At the October committee meeting, Mr. Donovan requested that Mr. Smith share a motion to forward a \$200 check to Mr. Kilbourne to defray the cost of shipping and materials for the portraits of the Eagle Scouts (Five scouts will be having their ceremonies soon.) This motion was voted on and passed. Please note-This check has not been sent to him yet, since we do not know the status of where he is living, etc.

**Training** – Roundtable coverage: Kazimer – December; Cardenas – January; Ramos - February; Reinsel - March; Gaulke - April

**Equipment** – Mr. Keith purchased the supplies noted at last month’s committee meeting, and still has (previous) committee approval (\$) to purchase needed supplies. It was specifically noted that we need new good first aid kit(s) and at least one fire extinguisher per patrol box. This need became quite apparent at the last campout at Bull Run.

**Activity Coordinator** – Mr. Ramos is looking ahead to determine volunteer needs—Lock-in Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>. When planning food for camp outs, it was noted that vegetarian options should be provided.

**Charter Organization Representative** – no report available.

**Merit Badge Counselor** – The troop master program has a current list of all merit badge counselors. All merit badge counselors must have boy scout youth protection training, and need to be a registered leader.

**Religious Emblem** - Scouts have not taken advantage of the offer to work on religious emblems.

**New Business** –

Mr. Gaulke will share ideas of a new class B uniform with the PLC for them to decide what they would like to wear. CCI has a good track record for these types of shirts. It would be nice to have all scouts in the same class B for summer camp. Should the troop absorb the cost of these uniforms?

**Old Business** -

-Popcorn bill needs to be paid by December 1<sup>st</sup>. Prizes will be distributed at the 11/30 meeting.

The meeting closed at 9:10 p.m.

Next committee meeting will be Tuesday, December 19, 2006, at 7:45 p.m., in a lower level classroom, at the St. Mary of Sorrows Parish Center.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mrs. Kourtz