

**Troop 1048 Meeting Minutes**  
**February 8<sup>th</sup>,2009**

Present: Jeff Ketchum, Bob Pachman, Linda Peters, Ellen Potter, Pam Couturier, Mike Couturier, , Dawn Bates, Joel O'Connell, Scott Keller, Steve Youngo, Jim Patterson, Louis Lorenz

Welcome and call to order (Jeff)

Review of January minutes (Dawn)

**Committee report**

Old Business: Jeff

- Hand book revisions near completion
- Open house for new scouts/families during the March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting-bring desserts, snacks, punch
- Event sign up sheet for adults is posted in the scout house. Adults are asked to assist in coordinating events. Mike will continue to do the OA events.

Treasure Report: Ellen

- Request: When requesting a reimbursement check, please let Ellen know what it is for and provide receipts.
- Wreath/popcorn \$ will transfer to individual scout accounts soon

Scout Master: Mike

- 14 boys crossing over in February. ***We will need adult help and supervision at all meetings.*** Plan for meetings to be structured, organized so new scouts will not lose interest.
- 5 additional scouts transferring from Twin Lake==19 new scouts!!
- Meetings will be moved to the church in March to accommodate the increase in numbers.
  - Opening and closing ceremonies will be upstairs with breakout sessions at the house and in the basement. The scouts will require a tour and instruction as to what is 'off limits' in the church.
  - Possibly pair one incoming parent (new) with a 'seasoned' (old) parent for event organization.
  - Have volunteer adults stationed at all activities/events during meetings to assist and guide scouts.
- Troop patrols and guides will need to be looked at and restructured
  - Crossover: Montague and Whitehall crossover ceremonies are planned. Troop 1098 scouts have an opportunity to do three additional ceremonies in the district. (They need to do a total of 7 to earn the bead)
  - OA scouts have an opportunity to assist with unit elections in the district. (They will earn a bead)
- Mike has an updated list of scouts/adults if anyone would like a copy.

#### Advancement: Linda

- Nothing new
- Update on Tyler's date; tentative March 1<sup>st</sup>
- Mike to talk to scouts that need encouragement toward advancement

#### New Business

- Re-charter due at next roundtable
- Scouting for food coming up in March. Jeff will look into coordinating the Whitehall area to assure adequate coverage. Scouts to hand out bags and pick up this year.
- Adult training: Mike is doing training this weekend at camp. Grand Rapids will host adult training (all areas) on Feb. 28.
- CPR class will be April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1 pm at the church. Sign up with Dawn and order book if needed.
- CPR class for life scouts tentative date April 19<sup>th</sup>
- Merit badge councilor list-Jeff will ask at Roundtable for an updated list
  - Load current councilors into Troop Master software
- Silversides campout over spring break-Ellen is waiting to hear back
- Special T-shirts for 100 years scouting/150 years White Lake: Louis and Mike working on, more info at a later date
- Dedication at the first little league baseball game-end of April or first of May. Troop and baseball teams to be present for this special dedication. More information to follow.
- First Aid kits need to be updated

#### Activities Coordinator: Pam

- No open needs for March
- Lumberjacks game March 7<sup>th</sup>

#### Crew update: Joel

- Rock climbing March 7<sup>th</sup>. Older scouts (>13yrs old) may participate
- Website: Need more pictures! Bring cameras to events and send pictures to Joel
- Suggestion: Assign an assistant scout master to Life Scouts for encouragement and guidance toward advancement

#### Jamboree 2010

- First fundraiser went well-popcorn at Walgreen's
- More fundraisers in the works

Unit commissioner:

- District update and challenges

Misc. events

- Klondike 2/14 to 2/15
- Leaving Scout house Friday at 4 pm and returning Saturday evening

Next committee meeting March 22nd, 2009