

**Troop 53 Parent Committee Meeting
McFarland Lutheran Church
September 10, 2007**

Present: Janis Lugo, Tom Hovel, Mark Birrenkott, Christine Weidner, Joan Hare, Michael Fay, Margaret Virtue, Ann Jackson

Meeting Called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Previous Meeting Minutes: approved as written.

Reports

Scoutmaster Report: Brock attended District Roundtable in place of Christine. Training agenda calendar is on Glacier's website.

Yahara Rountable Schedule:

October-Council Camping/Aldo Leopold Nat. Center & Eagle Project Planning

November-World Jamboree/Webelos to Scout Transition

December-Order of the Arrow

January-Blue & Gold/Fireside Chat

February-Council Awards

March-NYLT-Troop Junior Leadership Training

April-Sea Scouts-Sailing

May-Biking-Mountain & Long Distance

June-Picnic

Greg Francis is starting Personal Management Merit Badge tonight. Collections Merit Badge will also be given this month.

Mohawk Camporee this weekend at Stonefield Historic Site, Cassville. Greg Sparks and Heather Oliva will be going. As of tonight, five boys have signed up, but need to get hard numbers tonight. We will start planning for the October 6-8 Yahara Camporee at Portage. We can hike the Marquette Trail; this year will have big bonfire.

September 21-23 Family Festival: still need volunteers for the Skeetball Booth and Crossing Guard Duty. Our presence provides for a good recruitment opportunity. Brock would also like some backup for him from another parent.

Mrs. Hickey will be here tonight to start popcorn sale this Monday and following Monday.

Tony and Brant are working on objectives for the Bolo Ties (from National Youth Leadership Training). They did a fine job emceeding at August Court of Honor for their first objective.

We need to get a handle on roster. A number of scouts have dropped out: Jacob Aehl, Shea Prewitt, Ryan Weinberger. New boy coming in tonight to look us over.

2007 centennial quality unit award goals: Look it over and see how we are doing.

It would be good to get new leaders to new leader training.

Still have eight Troop 53 blue fleeces. Cost is \$17; sizes Large and Extra Large.

Senior Patrol Leader: Brant reported that at PLC meeting previous night, main topic was High Adventure for 2008. Watched video on High Adventures. Seemed interested in other things other than white water rafting. Two options: sailing at Sea Base and backpacking. Someone else took spot at Sea Base during spring break. Isle Royale National Park for backpacking.

High Adventure: Christine reported she and Mark went over budget and they are almost done with this. Still want to have a reunion party.

Recommend having a meeting with all of the parents of the scouts to discuss High Adventures. Try to do this on a parent committee night, maybe November.

Treasurer's Report: Joan reported \$1100 in checking account, but has not deposited dues as yet. Get list to Tom on those Scouts who still have dues outstanding.

Report approved by Janis; seconded by Christine.

Quartermaster Report: Not much to report tonight. Still need to pick up canoe.

Fundraising: Michael Fay received information from Steve Quinn on Pancake Breakfast. Needs to contact Legion regarding this. Christine willing to help train the boys for Pancake Breakfast. Next PLC to set aside meeting for this training. Mark will remind Brant of this.

Old Business

Patrol Food Subcommittee: Michael Fay is interested and will contact anyone else interested.

Vacant positions: No one interested, as yet, in Quartermaster. Greg Sparks will take over for Jeanne Sterken. Terra Potter expressed interest in Roundtable. Mike Rott may be interested in Advancement Chair.

New Business

Scout Account Policy: page 11 of 57 and 12 of 57 of the Parent Handbook. Discussion on what to do with money left in scout account for those scouts that have dropped out; for those scouts after they turn 18 years of age. Tom will draft page 11 of 57 regarding the changes discussed.

Eagle Projects: Austin Brandt, Scott Chalmers, Peter Grenzow, Joey Francis, Drew Birrenkott.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janis Lugo