Pack 133 Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 7:30pm 2nd floor Conference Room at Hilltop House

In attendance:

Jason Nolan - Committee Co-Chair
Tim McChesney - Committee Co-Chair
Bill Gannon - Den 11 Leader
Christina Zaybekian - Den 4 Leader
Tom Parker – Den 9 Leader
Jack Kiefer
John Sipple – Den 12 Leader
Mike Moore – Den 3 Leader
Adam Maurer – Den 8 Leader
Laurie Stroup -Treasurer
Gina Flores - Secretary

Budget/Treasurer Update

- Jason provided a summary to include account balance and PayPal balance
- Laurie clarified that there is surplus monies due to popcorn sales

Popcorn Sales Update/Results

- According to Tim, popcorn orders have arrived and Kirby will contact Leaders to pick up popcorn
- Increase in cost of popcorn to the consumers was discussed. Other options for fundraisers were also discussed. It was suggested that if the cost per unit is too expensive for the consumer, a contribution at a lesser amount is welcome.
- Jason reported that popcorn sales were very good
- 2014 total sales (including show and sell) \$22,502 with 59 out of 76 boys having at least one sale (2013 total sales \$23,801 with 71 out of 101 boys having at least one sale)
- Other key stats:
 - 2014 averages sales per cub scout = \$300 vs 2013 = \$229
 - o 6 boys had sales over \$1,000 vs 2 in 2013
 - o 7 of 9 dens met the \$250/cub scout average in sales vs 6 out of 15 in 2013

Blue and Gold Banquet

Christina provided update: Of the options presented for Pack feedback, Option 1 was selected.
 Option 1 is Powerhouse Studios for a total cost of \$4,200. This includes entertainment, food, and drinks for 75 children and 75 adults. Event to be held February 6th.

- Committee discussed and approved parent contribution to subsidize event: cost will be \$10 per person
- Specific questions about the venue and contract were discussed. There are a few significant questions regarding the contract that need to be clarified.
- Jason and Tim to review contract and sign

Tiger Den 8

- Tim introduced and Committee welcomed new Den Leader, Adam Maurer Welcome Adam!
- Adam reported that the Den is off to a great start
- Currently 5 boys officially registered
- All to be receiving their Bobcat badges at next pack meeting

Reminder to all Den Leaders: All dens are eligible for a \$20 per scout subsidy

November Pack Meeting

- Friday, November 21st 7:15 gather, 7:30 present the colors
- Core Value: Citizenship
 - Sub Theme: Give Goodwill
 - Den 10 (Steve Goldthwaite/Lisa Vanderbeek) to run
 - Meeting at Mendham Borough Firehouse
 - Scouts MUST be accompanied by a parent
 - Top 10 popcorn sellers to receive a special recognition & prizes
- Jason to focus on obtaining volunteers for the many current volunteer openings
- Committee approved \$200.00 donation to the Mendham Borough Fire Department
- John to introduce and handout flyers at the meeting regarding the Coat Drive that will take place at the December meeting
- Jack to introduce the CREW NJ 14th Annual Toy Drive that supports local families will accept new unwrapped toys. Jack will bring red bin for toys

Den Leader Training

- Leader Position Specific Tim to contact Leaders individually
- Youth Protection Training Leaders to check expiration training must be completed by January 31, 2015
- Jason to attend Wood Badge Training in May/June 2015
 - o An advanced training course for all adult leaders
 - o Two two night overnight weekends and completion of a Wood Badge Ticket project.
 - o \$295 includes all meals, program materials, insurance, admin costs, T-shirt, etc.
 - Committee previously approved funds for Jason to attend

Re-Charter

- Coordinator needed for 2015-2016
- Tim has most everyone's membership forms in except for 5 scouts in Den 11, 2 scouts in Den 1, 1 scout in Den 3 and 2 scouts in Den 12. Ten total still required
- Key volunteer positions that are open and need to be filled immediately:
 - Membership coordinator
 - Popcorn Kernal and committee for 2015/2016
 - Friends of Scouting campaign coordinator
 - o Recharter coordinator for 2015/2016
 - Publicity coordinator
 - Certificate of Insurance coordinator
 - Volunteer coordinator
- All volunteers should begin thinking about their replacement at least 9 months to a year prior to leaving
- Leaders to communicate volunteer needs to parents in their Den

Fall Conservation Project

- Update: Due to time constraints and inclement weather, the Fall Conservation Project will not take place.
- Discussed the Spring Conservation Project possibly at the Hilltop Presbyterian Church
- Need a coordinator

Webelos Woods

- Troop 1 Bill shared that his entire Den attended and great time was had by all
- Troop 150 November 15th
 - Even if scouts attended the troop 1 event, they may consider attending this one as well.
 It was reported that a few boys may attend.

Upcoming Events

- University of Scouting
 - Saturday, December 6th University of Scouting Randolph Middle School, 507
 Millbrook Ave, Randolph
 - The University of Scouting is a day full of classes for all leaders and parents that would like to get more involved in volunteering. Child care and lunch are available. Cub Scouts can even earn belt loops throughout the day.
 - Register prior to November 28th at http://ppbsa.doubleknot.com/event/1607163
- December Pack Meeting Friday, December 12th

- Seeing Eye Pennies for Puppies/Dollars for Dogs
- o Gina to bring jug or pail for coins and bills to be donated
- Committee approved \$200 donation from Pack 133

Toy Drive

 Jack to introduce the CREW NJ 14th Annual Toy Drive that supports local families at the November Pack Meeting. They will accept new unwrapped toys. Jack will bring red bin for toys

Roundtables

 More parents/leaders to attend round tables, which are held first Tuesday of each month at Redeemer Church in Succasunna. Tim discussed this month's meeting theme (the flag) and relevant activities. Tim came away from the meeting with wonderful ideas.

2015 Cub Scout changes

- Update on changes taking place in summer of 2015. Changes include moving toward an adventure based model and rank requirements.
- It was decided that changes will be discussed at a separate meeting TBA

Journey to Excellence Update

Tim reported that the Pack is on target for meeting the requirements for this award

Winter Cabin Camping

- Friday, January 23, 2015 through Sunday, January 25, 2015
- Wink Dousa Cabin (sleeps 20) at Camp Winnebago
- Gina to send out evite as soon as possible as Jack will need to know if additional cabin is needed

2014 - 2015 Calendar

- Updated on website
- Website is current through March according to Tim

New Business:

- Spring Trip: Intrepid Jason or Tim to book as soon as possible as it books up early
- Advancement to be held on February 28th
 - Jack needs scout names for the Arrow from Leaders
 - o Brookside needs to be reserved John will reserve
- Next committee meeting Wednesday, December 10th at 7:30