

Troop 453 Committee Meeting Minutes **June 10, 2007**

Present: Larry Boyce, Steve Symonds, Linda Bacon, Cathy & Wes Marcus, Dwayne Bickford, Julie LaRue, Trisha Stuart, Patty Morini, David Miller

Newspaper discussion touched on the following: crate repairs, safety/gloves, train the trainer session; sign-in/weight tracking form

Canoe Trip: St. Croix, August 2-5th, (class 2 whitewater max)

Discussion about who is allowed to go. Considerations: # years (no first year scouts), size, age, strength, skill, rank? For this trip, third year and above (going into the 8th grade). Parents will need to be qualified to participate (swimmer & canoe experience necessary). Point blank questions to parents regarding swimming & boat handling are needed. May be adults that would be interested in going camping. Phil Sprague is guide.

Alternate activity for boys not going on St. Croix trip: Perhaps Long Pond to Lou Ashland's on Belgrade Stream. Lou Ashland might be the guide, Steve & Dwayne will participate. Date to be determined. Larry will talk to Lou.

Popcorn stuff is coming out. Steve is district 'guru'. Council offering additional 3% if trained (Steve is covering this for Pack & Troop). Total will be 40% for us. Steve is suggesting pushing that popcorn sales profits go to scout camp. The idea is to motivate the boys to sell! Use it or loose it will be the policy. Newspaper participation/ accountability is needed too (some scout families are faithful, others are not). Not everyone will participate in the popcorn.

Roosevelt. Call needs to be made to Roosevelt to make sure \$ is ok and ask which night is family night. Ann Bernier will take care of this. Ann Long has been filling out a parent schedule. 3-4 signed up each night thus far; additional fourth parents needed certain nights. Leave BCS July 15th at 10AM; pick up at 9 on 21st at camp. All forms will be organized and checked ahead of time to make sure nothing is missing. Rules of camp will be reviewed at meeting tomorrow night.

Camp Details

Meet at Belgrade Central School Sunday July 15th at 10, leave at 10:30 bring lunch, wear swimsuit, have meds in plastic bags labeled with scout's name (permanent marker).

Pick up time is 9 AM at Camp Roosevelt on July 21st.

Larry will review scout cabin/tent assignments the first day.

A Duty Roster for parents would be helpful; parent guide needs to be read ahead of time by parents staying overnight.

Some Rules:

No bullying/no teasing rule

One soda per day BEFORE 6PM, no exceptions

Conflict handled by older boys first, by registered leader second, by another adult third.

Adults need to be proactive rather than passive. Better to be safe than sorry. Listen to all versions of the story, get them to work it out.

Board of Review for Jon Veilleux tomorrow night.

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