

## BSA Troop 338 Troop Committee Meeting Minutes

January 21, 2008

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**Attendees:** Julie Hundley-Chairman, Dave Walker-Scoutmaster, Steve Shea-Asst. Scoutmaster, Patty Olsen-Asst. Scoutmaster, Lenny Andrews -Secretary, Susan Hourihan

### **Opening:**

Julie Hundley opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and having the Secretary read the minutes of the last Committee meeting.

**Secretary's Report:** Lenny passed out copies of November's minutes and read them to the committee. Julie motioned that the minutes be accepted as-is, concurrence was unanimous. Lenny reported that the Troop website has been updated as follows: the latest schedule from Steve was posted to the main page and the Events page. 2007 Events was archived, new 2008 Events page made with pop-up day calendar for planning. Need the long-range info to fill in 2008 calendar. Eagles page updated to show Jesse and Kevin. Spring Camporee 2008 planning page updated with minutes, water district letter & other links. The Links page has a revised Trail to Eagle section with the YD Eagle guide, Eagle Service Project workbook in pdf & rtf, Eagle rank application and the Eagle Court of Honor ceremony. There is also a new Merit Badge Central section with an updated list of Merit Badges & requirements and a password-protected list of Troop 338 Counselors. Patrols page updated to add Keith Pike, Kyle O'Brien, and Dan Zickefoose to Old Goat Patrol. Sent email to Scott Valcourt to see if updated 2008 info will be posted soon. Forms & Photos page updated with new pics from Steve of Maine Jam and Veterans day, and the general Activity Attendance form Patty asked for, also updated the Meeting Attendance forms. I reported successful contact with Brewer Technologies, the same web hosting service that does the Rod & Gun page, and received a hosting proposal that includes 50MB of web space and several email accounts with our own domain name [www.troop338maine.org](http://www.troop338maine.org) for approx \$7.08 per month. The committee agreed to this proposal and Julie will contact Tracy to have a check written. Dave proposed that we set up four emails: Scoutmaster, Committee Chair, Secretary/Webmaster, and SPL.

**Request for Approval of Eagle Project:** Ed Hanson presented his project to work on a couple of cemeteries in Eliot. It was accepted with revisions to add a map and presentation for the historical society, & troop, notification to local newspapers, and site markers set.

**Outdoor Activity Coordinator's Report:** Dave reported that the Dutch oven cooking was delayed due to rain; snowshoeing was canceled due to snow. The scouts' Christmas party was held at the Agamenticus Youth Center and was a load of fun. Klondike Derby final count would be in by this weekend. He announced an upcoming campout at the Lyman troop cabin on 2/15-16, Winter Sports merit badge at the Troop meeting on 3/3, & Scout skiing day at Mt Abrams on 3/9. OA elections will be on 2/11, Dave will be out of town, but will coordinate with Steve & Patty. Eligibility was discussed and Patty will update Jason with additional camping by the boys. Patty reported that 12 boys attended last Saturday's campout, enjoying ice fishing and snow sport. Leader Tim Allen built his own snow hut and slept in it.

**Treasurer's Report:** Tracy Grogan is still out sick. Official Excel budget to track our yearly expenditures and income still outstanding

**Advancement Coordinator's Report:** Jason King reported that Trevor, Conor, Patrick, and Max are ready for Boards of Review on Wed. Robbie H has been assigned as Grubmaster and Dan O as Tidymaster, supporting the role of Quartermaster.

**Old Business:** Steve Shea is still collecting donations for the new tents and is aware that the Rod & Gun club will cover the remaining costs if needed.

**New Business:** Jason talked about the update procedure for rank and activity participation for the database.

**Re-charter** was discussed; paperwork will be brought to Brian for signatures. Jason announced he would not be re-chartering due to work projects. Julie will maintain advancement for now.

**Spring Camporee** meeting time was changed to 6:30, though it is understood that some participants will arrive later. We have \$50 gift certificates from the Rod & Gun Club for the new Eagle Scouts and decided to hold them until their ceremony.

**Roundtable:** No Roundtable report.

**Scoutmaster's Report:** Covered above.

The Meeting wrapped up and Julie moved for adjournment.

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### **Addendum to Minutes:**

**Rod & Gun Association meeting 1/22:** Lenny Andrews attended the meeting to represent the Troop, reporting that Kevin Kareckas became our third Eagle of 2007, and that Sam King was close to finishing. Barry Glynn gave me a fourth gift certificate in anticipation of Sam's confirmation. I continued by reporting on the Troop Christmas party, the winter campout and ice fishing at Moussam Lake with a scout sleeping in his homemade snow hut, the Frozen Few campout coming up before the Klondike Derby and the other upcoming events. Also told them we would be soon switching over to the same web hosting service they use to save the troop expenses. I made another appeal for Merit Badge Counselors and offered a list for anyone interested. Two gentleman approached me for more info, Rick Peterson (formerly of Troop 359) for Genealogy, and Mike Sirois for Metalworking. I directed them to the website and will be bringing in application forms to be fill out.