

## BSA Troop 338 Troop Committee Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2008

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**Attendees:** Julie Hundley-Chairman, Steve Shea-Asst. Scoutmaster, Patty Olsen-Asst. Scoutmaster, Tracy Grogan-Treasurer, Lenny Andrews-Secretary, Jason King-Advancement, Tim Allen, Jack Kareckas, Gary Adams, Barbara Hanson

### **Opening:**

Julie Hundley opened the meeting at 6:41 and had the Secretary read the minutes of the last Committee meeting.

**Secretary's Report:** Lenny read the January minutes to the committee. Julie motioned that the minutes be accepted after correction of Tim J to Tim Allen, 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, minutes from the last committee meeting & Camporee meeting posted. Mentioned need for the long-range info to fill in 2008 calendar and that I'd sent a reminder e-mail to Dave. Spring Camporee 2008 planning page is moved to Events page. I reported that once Brewer received a check, I would start work on migrating the troop website to [www.troop338maine.org](http://www.troop338maine.org). Also reported helping the Rod & Gun Club set up for the Game Supper event. A troop from Rosholt, Wisconsin had contacted us thru the website looking for cool historic places to visit in the area and a recommendation for inexpensive lobster & seafood for a group of 45. I sent them links to the local forts and the Portsmouth historic district.

**Outdoor Activity Coordinator's Report:** Patty reported that the campout at the Lyman Troop 399 cabin on 2/15-16 had a great turnout with 13 boys and 5 adults. The older boys had their own camp down by the lake. A huge igloo and snow house was built with tunnels and rooms with some participants sleeping inside overnight. They also built a luge run for the sleds, made a 1½-mile hike and played hard all day. After dark, all the boys ended up in a circle down by the lake, listening to the night sounds and the ice ping-pong. Several of the boys that went would never normally have gone winter camping, but had a memorable time. They want to plan another campout for March either in Eliot or back at the Lyman camp. Winter Sports merit badge at the Troop meeting on 3/3, & Scout skiing day at Mt Abrams on 3/9. Set-up for the Pinewood Derby will be on Friday March 14, with the main event on Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup>. They will be looking for a couple of boys working in shifts, rather than a bunch all at the same time. OA elections moved to 4-7. Patty will update Jason with additional camping by the boys. A high adventure White Mountains hike was discussed for sometime in the summer.

**Treasurer's Report:** Tracy Grogan gave troop account reports to Julie. She also gave Lenny a check for the outstanding web site fees and announced that the check to Brewer Technologies had been mailed last week. Check to reimburse Steve for the tents was also written, Popcorn money and some re-charter fees were entered. Shamus still owes popcorn money, but hasn't been making the meetings. The Beaumier family donated \$100 to the troop.

**Advancement Coordinator's Report:** Jason King had previously announced he was leaving the troop and has been getting everything updated for the next Advancement Coordinator. He advised that camping and other records always be reported in a timely fashion, making it easier to maintain the database. He reported that he needs Doug Hilton's 2<sup>nd</sup> Class record before the 1<sup>st</sup> Class could be processed. He also suggested getting a stock of badges ahead of time, so boys could be rewarded immediately upon achievement of rank.

**Old Business:** None offered.

**New Business:** Sue Hourihan had expressed interest in the Outdoor Activities Coordinator position, which would take a burden off Patty & Steve. Julie will carry the nomination to Brian, our Chartered Org Rep, for approval. We discussed modifying the Troop account to have Julie Hundley, Committee Chair and Dave Walker, Scoutmaster authorized to also be able to write checks and make deposits. Motion was made to approve, seconded and approved by all present. Also discussed was that any of the authorized persons could write a check for petty cash, minor expenses and reimbursements under \$200, but that items over that amount would need to be approved by committee quorum and have two signatures on the check. The motion was made, seconded and carried by all present.

Mike O'Byrne has offered to have a climbing event at the Marshwood Middle School (old high school), ropes, walls, etc. Jack reported that the Land Trust is considering the Savage property off Rte 101 with possible scout involvement.

**Re-charter:** Tracy Goller and Ben Corey will not be on the new charter. Dan Zickefoose would be entered as either an Assistant Scoutmaster or a Committee Member. He would not be able to hold a committee position as a scoutmaster and he had expressed an interest in taking over the Advancement Coordinator duties. This will be discussed with him at the next meeting. During the discussion, Lenny paid his dues and Tracy gave a receipt.

**Spring Camporee** next meeting will be tomorrow, 2/19 at 6:30 at the Rod & Gun Club

**Eagle Ceremony:** Julie read Kevin invitation to his Eagle Ceremony on Saturday March 22, 2pm at 1<sup>st</sup> Federated Church. RSVP to 207-384-2584. Lenny told Jack that he'd send the list of older Troop Eagles for him and Kevin to extend invites.

**Roundtable:** Scouter's Rendezvous at Camp Nutter on March 29<sup>th</sup> after 4pm, respond by Feb 29. "Patrol Corners" vs Patrol meetings was suggested by District.

**Scoutmaster's Report:** Steve suggested support for the new Eagles by having the Troop buy a pin set and embroidered neckerchief for each. Lenny reported that this was traditional for the Troop and everyone agreed to proceed with the purchase. Signed Buck knives were also discussed as possible gifts. Steve is still pursuing a 501C3 non-profit org setup with Bonnie for funding. Lenny has a complete working computer for the Troop, was agreed could be used for reports, inventory and planning by the scouts. Julie volunteered to make a slide show about the recent campouts for presentation at the Rod & Gun Meeting.

The Meeting wrapped up and Julie moved for adjournment.

**Addendum to Minutes: Rod & Gun Association meeting 2/26:** to be added later