

Scout Troop 278  
Troop Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, October 6, 2009

I. The meeting was called to order. by Jeff Maddock, Committee Chair, followed by a word of prayer. The roll call is as follows:

Russell Morgan- absent	Jeff Maddock- present
Mark Winborn- present	Julianna Bjorklund- absent
Sandy Marshall- absent	Will Hays- absent
Harriett Lang- present	Jeff Klaus- present
Pam Denley- present	Chris Williams- present
Don Stewart- present	Doug Forsythe- present
Mary Jane Hamlett- present	Danny Hopper- present
Ben Winborn (SPL)- absent	

II. Welcome/Introduction of New Members- Brief discussion on the conversation at last meeting regarding overall positions within the committee including addition of Doug Forsythe as Charter Organization Representative. Mark Winborn also added as Assistant Committee Chairperson. The revised Troop Committee Responsibilities document was updated and is attached to these meeting minutes.

III. Review of minutes- The minutes from the previous meeting were not available at this time, so they were not approved.

IV. Reports-

- a. Scoutmaster Report- Russell Morgan (provided updates to committee)
  - Campout for October has been cancelled due to attendance, however, the Electricity Merit Badge will be offered on Saturday, October 24
  - Textile Merit Badge will be completed week of Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> for those that attended the original trip to the Cotton Museum

- November 6<sup>th</sup> weekend will be Chickasaw Council Expo at Shelby Farms. Camping and Scout displays. Fee \$15
- 2010 Skymont Summer Camp confirmed for June 13-19
- b. Secretary- Julianna Bjorklund
  - No update
- c. Outdoor/Activities Coordinator- Harriett Lang
  - Scheduling Court of Honor for November. Date to be reviewed on church calendar by Doug Forsythe and provided at next Committee Meeting as well as posting on website.
  - SeaBase is being coordinated by Jet Thomas. Update needed at next Committee Meeting.
- d. Treasurer- Sandy Marshall
  - Current balance of approximately \$9,700 in account
  - All Kroger card balances have been updated
- e. Advancement Coordinator- Jeff Klaus
  - Provided current status report on boys progress. Two Scouts to complete BOR for advancement. Additional scouts need positions in troop to complete requirements for rank. These should be addressed by Scoutmaster.
  - Updates required for Troop Profiles from number of scouts.
- f. Chaplain- Jeff Maddock
  - Will contact Scout office to determine requirements for God and Country awards.
  - Need current status of all boys for religious emblems from Jeff Klaus/Troopmaster
- g. Training Coordinator- Chris Williams
  - Woodbadge training completed by Russell Morgan and Chris Williams that was sponsored by Troop 278. Remaining projects to be completed in 18 months includes development of adult and youth training program for Troop 278.
  - FAST Start training required for all adult committee members through online resource ([www.myscouting.org](http://www.myscouting.org)). **Prior to next meeting, all members of committee should complete FAST Start, Youth Protection and This is Scouting training.** FAST Start is on the Boy Scout Training page and the other training is located on

the General Training page. Please print the certificate of completion and bring to the next meeting.

- Committee voted and will require all future leadership training for Scouts to be open only to First Class or above scouts.
- h. Equipment Coordinator- Don Stewart
  - Discussion on moving troop to more “backpacking” focused Troop. This question needs to be discussed by the SPL with other Troop leadership as it will impact overall focus and the equipment needs of the troop.
  - Mark Winborn to provide session on proper equipment for backpacking and will provide scouts a list of equipment needed to packpack.
  - If Scouts decide to become more backpacking focused, then Troop members will need to research and recommend trips for weekend camping and provide information to Chris Williams for Troop website.
  - Chris Williams to purchase books for each leadership position in the troop and provide these to the Scouts currently in these roles.
- i. Membership Coordinator- Open Position
  - No update. Jeff Maddock to approach Weeblo parents about taking this role.

V. Old Business- Reviewed the Responsibilities document and updated to be posted on Troop website.

VI. New Business-

- Committee voted and approved purchase of new flag for Woodland Presbyterian School
- Committee voted and approved future requirement for youth leadership training that would require all scouts to be First Class or higher in rank to be considered
- Committee voted and approved requirement that committee members wear full uniforms to future meetings and functions (COH, meetings, etc.). This would include Scout shirts and olive pants (not BSA pants)
- **Committee discussed and decided to schedule next Troop Committee Meeting on Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:30PM**

VII. Announcements- No new announcements

VIII. Dismissal

<b>Action Item</b>	<b>Responsible</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Information on Electricity Merit Badge sent to Troop	Harriett	10/10/09	Complete
Information on November Campout	Russell	10/10/09	Complete
Schedule date for November COH and communicate	Pam/Doug F	10/17/09	Pending Church
SeaBase Update	Jet	11/1/09	Update at next Committee Meeting
Updates on Scout Profiles	Jeff K	10/17/09	Info to be updated at next meeting
God and Country Badge	Jeff M	11/1/09	Additional information gathering
Online Training Modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- FAST Start</li> <li>- Youth Protection</li> <li>- This is Scouting</li> </ul>	ALL	11/1/09	All Committee members to complete and bring certificates
Backpack discussion for Troop	Ben Winborn	11/1/09	Review of transition to backpacking for troop by SPL and PLs
Scout Leadership Materials	Chris W.	11/1/09	Purchase leadership manuals for Scouts and share with each leader
Purchase Flag	Jeff M	11/1/09	Purchase flag for donation to school