

Those in attendance: Terry Clift, Randy Hamilton, Cindy & Carl Qualls, Jill Frost, Angela Lightcap, Susan Malloy, Dora & Brian Clark, Diane Fuhrman, Bill Kostelka, Deb Ramstad, Ackie LeDuff, Teri Robertson

Bill opened the meeting with a discussion about fundraising. Our plans to sell popcorn at First Baptist have fallen through and we need to do something else. The question was presented: "What does council expect from us?" Is it a dollar amount? Bill explained that if we are to do something else it needs to be at another time. Council doesn't really want us selling other things during popcorn selling "season." There was much discussion about whether we should/can obligate boys to sell popcorn or sell a certain amt. We voted down having a minimum amount that each boy has to sell. In Jan. 2008 the council had voted that each scout in troop 64 must participate in a fundraiser or have to pay \$5 extra per camp out (our fundraising helps fund the camping equipment that each scout uses). Resolution: What the committee decided tonight was that each boy needs to participate in the fundraiser and sell as much as he can. His goal is \$250. If a boy sells \$200 his name will be entered in a drawing for one or more cool camp gadgets prize donated by Randy Hamilton. The top seller for the troop will receive a Party Central Prize Pack (tokens, pizza, drink). This is how the proceeds from the popcorn will be disbursed: 30% goes to council, 30% goes back to popcorn company. Of the 40% our troop receives 75% of it goes into the individual scout accounts and 25% goes to the troop. So, by selling popcorn each boy personally benefits and this can help him raise money for camp.

Scoutmaster Report: According to Brad and Bill Scout Sunday is tentatively scheduled for Feb. 8. This would also be the date for our spaghetti dinner. Bill will confirm with the church calendar.

Brad asked if we want to recycle scout badge of office insignia. The committee voted yes.

He has purchased most of the equipment that had been previously approved. He just has a few tarps and odds and ends left to buy. We also need to make a deposit with Garland for next summer's camp.

Treasurer's Report: T-shirts have been ordered and should arrive 10/1. Diane withdrew \$200 for change for Mudbug ticket sales then (since she didn't use it all) spent \$153.19 of it on merit badges. We ARE a gold card unit. All rank badges are free and anyone purchasing anything from the scout office should ask for a 5% discount. If you do make a purchase at the scout office (even if it's personal), could you please let Diane know the date and amt. In order for their register to give you the 5% discount it has to be registered with our troop and then will come out on the troop print-out she receives. This just helps her not have a heart attack and keep her records straight!

The troop currently has \$535.25 in the account that is available. 13 Mudbug tickets have been sold. If you need tickets let Diane know. We have until the 10th.

Outdoor Chairperson's Report: The Wildlife and Fisheries Annual event is at Bodcau this weekend.

Sunday, Sept 28 is adopt-a-road at 1:45.

October 25 is a one-day Akela. The troop will meet around 1:00. Bring something to eat. We are in charge of the campfire that evening and it will be over around 9:00.

Update from Scoutmaster: We are now assigned the Opening campfire and will be camping Friday night only at Cub Lake.

Summer camp payments are being accepted. Sid Richardson for 3rd year scouts+ will be June 29-July 4 and Garland is June 21-27.

Brad wanted to know if anyone was interested in a Caney Creek backpacking trip.

Diane wants to know if anyone is interested in Preston Hunt Winter Camp. It's near Texarkana and is held a few days between Christmas and they're back for New Year's Eve. The scouts stay in cabins with wood burning stoves. Go to <http://caddobsa.org> for more information.

Advancements: Ackie reported (in Carlene's absence) that there are boys from 2007 summer camp and some from 2008 summer camp who are still needing to complete merit badges. She will work on getting an evening coordinated with merit badge counselors or boys can always contact their merit badge counselors individually.

7 boys advance at our most recent Ct. of Honor.

Meeting adjourned.