

Minutes from Tuesday, April 18, 2006 Adult Leader meeting (Ivy Moultrie)

Roster:

Ferrell Moultrie
Cindy Moore
Jerry Richstein
Pamela Roberts
Mary Pfau
Mark Neas
Danny West
Dietmar Breitzkreuz
Kenny Murray
Diana Ong-Yuen
Joe Como
Janet Earnest
Chris Einertson
Vicki Mattle
Ivy Moultrie
Jeanette George
Jeff Bilkert
Rick McNealy
Jim Landers

Meeting opened at 7:05 PM

Ms Earnest stated that there are several meetings before the new scout campout and all scouts are signed up but one. Ms. Breaugh is going to follow up with that scout. All have parents going but one. Two families have both parents attending. Mr. Moultrie says that there is great participation for the new scout campout this year.

Ms. Roberts asked for the names of the leaders from the new scout parents. Mr. Moultrie said that they are as follows:

Mr. Bilkert—ASM
Mr. Blevins—ASM
Mr. Borts—ASM
Ms. Breaugh—ASM
Mr. Gros—ASM
Mr. West—ASM
Mr. George—Committee Member
Ms. Moland—Committee Member

Ms Roberts spoke about summer camp. Registration was very hard and time consuming, but all who are going have been registered and Mr. Bion Jones from the program center says that it will be easier to do next year. Ms. Roberts says that as of the start of the meeting yesterday, 56 scouts were signed up for summer camp and we added 3 last night. Two other scouts are going a different week. Alex Mattle is going twice.

Second Summer Camp payments are due this coming Monday, April 24 (\$70) for scouts. Adults can pay later. An E-Mail reminder will be sent out to the troop. We have plenty of adults for summer camp. We need one adult to help with horsemanship on Tuesday. The Nantahala trip needs one more adult.

Mr. Moultrie would like a copy of all those who have signed up for the swimming merit badge. He would like to more critically review the results of their swim test to insure success for the swim merit badge for those who are taking it at camp.

Ms. Roberts will discuss details such as the type of totes to take to camp.

Mr. McNealy will serve as scoutmaster for June 5, 19 and 26 while Mr. Moultrie is on the long hike.

Ms. Pfau asked if those boys and adults who had passed the swim test for the manatee trip back in February had to take the test again for camp. Mr. Moultrie said that they would have to pass a swim test for summer camp.

Quartermaster Christine Einertson was pleased to report that 7 action packers had been turned in and she has a handle on the three that are outstanding. She said that the stove and hose have been matched up to the seven returned action packers. They have been marked so that it is clear which stove and hose belong to which action packer. A problem with several stoves has been that they are full of dirt and did not work properly. An air compressor was used to clean the stoves and they now work much better. A new plan has been devised to give the stoves and hose a place to stay where they will be protected from so much dirt. Mr. Moultrie suggested that the old quartermasters be required to check the materials in the action packer and that they could be pulled out of a meeting for a few minutes to go over their patrol's action packer with them. Ms. Einertson remarked that one of the supports under the shed appears to be rotting and that her husband had plans to come over and fix it. Mr. Moultrie told her that whatever materials he needed...especially wood, would be paid for by the troop if he would submit receipts to Ms. Luttrell. He also remarked that he thought he remembered seeing left-over paint in cans under the shed that was used from the latest painting of the shed.

Calendar:

Camp Woodruff is still looking for staff for this summer. They are looking for boys age 15-18 and will work around conflicts in their schedule. They can work as little as 4 weeks if they need that flexibility.

At the Allatoona Aquatics Base, Basic swim instruction will be offered April 29 from 9:30-2:00. The cost is \$2 for scouts and \$3 for adults. Mr. Moultrie highly recommends this and the price is very good.

The AT Backpacking trip will be on the weekend of April 28. At the moment, 12 are signed up for the easy leg of the trip and 5 for the more difficult leg. Mr. Murray said he would be glad to switch to the more difficult leg. Mr. McNealy will be in charge of the North to South route.

There are two opportunities for Green Bar training. Mr. Moultrie expressed disappointment that more boys did not sign up for this excellent training. The troop values this training so much that it will pay half of the fees for a scout who wants to attend this course. The requirements are that the scout must be 13 by the start of the class, must be first class and have been to summer camp twice. This week-long course teaches by games, role playing and example. Matt Frazier and Mr. Richstein have both served on staff. Those in the troop who have been through Green Bar have been outstanding in their leadership roles by what they have learned in this class. It will be offered twice: May 28-June 3 and June 4-June 10.

Trips that have complications:

Uncle Dan's Farm trip has changed a couple of times, but is currently the Chattahoochie Campground trip. The boys decided that it should remain a trip with an emphasis on fishing. This campground is located about 10 miles north of Helen, GA. There are good pit latrines here, running water (no showers), a very nice creek and a very nice campground. The Burton Fish Hatchery is nearby and there is a wide variety of fish available at several creeks and parks close by. Ms. Murray said that the trip would probably include a tour of the hatchery and on this day they should pack a portable lunch. The boys can work on the fishing merit badge, which includes a requirement to catch at least two different types of fish and they must clean and prepare the fish. There is no requirement to eat them. Ten scouts have signed up for this trip. Mr. Moultrie remarked that because this trip has changed so much, he will contact everyone who signed up for the Uncle Dan trip to make sure that they understand about the change and can go on this replacement trip if they wish. Mr. Murray said that scouts and adults over 16 years of age would need a fishing license and he recommended that they purchase a trout stamp as well. This is a chance for a "laid back" campout. For those who are less enthusiastic about fishing all day, Wild Cat Creek has a mini-sliding rock that a group might go to.

Mr. Murray said that there is a wonderful fishing website: www.gofishgeorgia.com which has baiting techniques, maps, waterways—great information.

There is a June Dilemma—the canoe trip needs an adult. Mr. Breitkreuz needs a trained adult to be his assistant. On April 29, there is a good Safe Swim class for adults at Lake Allatoona

Aquatics Base. The class will run from 8:30 AM until 2:30 or 3:30, depending on the number of students in the class and how many questions there are. The canoe trip is not for first year scouts. It is on the Hawassee River and is a good camping and fishing experience. The dates are June 9-11.

This Saturday is the very important Summer Camp Physical. The earlier you come, the better. Be there by 8:30. The line will probably not accept any more people by 11:00. Our new scout parent Greg Cloer is in charge of this for the Foothills District. It will be at Roswell Street Baptist Church. The cost is \$3. Bring forms for Class 2 or 3 or the Philmont Physical form.

Venture Crew lock-in is on for Friday night. Matt Frazier and Mr. Richstein are adults for this. A tour permit will be required. It will be held at Christ Church on Highway 92.

MAY—New scout campout May 5-7th. Greg and Dennis will be supervising the cooking and helping the cook teams. Mr. Dodge may not be available due to recent achille's tendon surgery. Mr. Murray said that he would help with dinner Saturday night. Chris England will be replacing Matt Frazier on Saturday—Matt will be taking the SAT. The Class 1 physical is sufficient for the weekend trips.

OA ordeal/Brotherhood—several this weekend. Scouts involved: Alex Mattle, Christian Einertson and Cody Brietkreuz. The adults are Tim Watkins, Mark Neas and Robin Neas.

1st Monday in May are troop elections. Patrol leader and assistant patrol leader will be elected. The only slate of officers at this time are Jonathan Egbert for Patrol Leader and Stephen Poole for the assistant. They will then ask for volunteers for the other positions. They will choose because they have to live with the consequences of their choices. The appointment of the troop guides goes through Ms. Earnest. There are patrol elections, except for the new scout patrol. There may be changes in patrol make-up. The patrol must remain a viable patrol and there may be no "orphans", that is, everyone must have a viable patrol to have a home in. This is also the last night for Boards of Review before the Court of Honor prior to the May 8th meeting.

May 15: Troop meeting court of honor.

May 21st: Den chief training from 2:00-5:00. At any time, about half, or about 45 boys will be looking for leadership positions in the troop. About half of these will have troop positions, which leaves about 23 boys. Den Chief training and they becoming a Den Chief is a win for everyone. The scout gets credit for a leadership position, which he needs for advancement and benefits our troop in the future by working with potential Boy Scouts and it is a lot of fun. It is a job that is very needed.

Memorial Day will be a day for placing flags on the graves in the cemetery in Marietta. Mr. Seibert is in charge of this trip and Matt Frazier is helping to plan this. It is a good service opportunity and does not take a great amount of time.

There will be no troop meeting on May 29, as it is the fifth Monday.

JUNE: 1st Monday—Parents' meeting. Very important meeting for parents for summer camp. This is the deadline for medical forms for summer camp. This is a VERY IMPORTANT MEETING.

June 4—135 mile backpacking trip.

June 20—Philmont

June 20th—Adult leader meeting.

June 23,24,25. Aquatics weekend. LifeSaving, Not swimming.

Every other water merit badge is offered for all water activities except swimming.

July 3rd. Last meeting before summer camp. Ms. Roberts will serve as scoutmaster this evening. Reports from Patrols:

Falcons: Mr. Murray says that there will be a campfire and a flag retirement ceremony the night of July 3.

July 21st-23rd.—Mill Springs Lock-in in Alpharetta. Caron Frazier agreed to be the adult in charge. Ms. Cindy Throne got the school to give us the space for free. Last year the astronomy club came with their telescopes.

For Adults and scouts that will be 14 before the time of the course—BSA/American Red Cross will offer life-saving the last two weekends in July at Allatoona. You will receive dual certification. Must swim at least 500 yards.

Trees, Dragons, and Pirates are working on reorganization.
2 Falcons are going for biking 50 miler this weekend.

Penguins: They have the program in June.\

RoadRunners: No real clue on reorganizing. One member really wants to join the Penguins.

Night Hawks: Ms. Mattle reports that these scouts are blossoming very well. They are working hard and are thinking and planning ahead. They work very well together.

Lightening: The adult in charge said that he is actively watching. Connor Plumley signed up for the fishing trip. Mr. Moultrie remarked that it would be nice, if they could stay together.

Cobras—Mr. Como remarked that his patrol volunteered to help the Church (Mountain View) which was to hide 1000 easter eggs. They will receive three hours of service credit. Mr. Como needs to turn in the roster and list of hours to the records chairperson.

Without further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:20. Ms. Mattle and Ms. Einertson had questions and remained after the meeting to get some things clarified with Mr. Moultrie.