

Attendees: Dave Wisniewski, Countses, Willifords, Lori Johnson, Craig Duncan, Mike Berno, Max Musso, Warren Hall, Dale Taggart, Steve Beisert, Susan Wright

James Wright reported that the work day was successful. The focus was on tents. There is still some confusion as to how many tents the troop has. Warren was impressed with what was accomplished.

Next was a short discussion of Scout Sunday. Turnout was good, and it was well-received. This was followed by Chris's explanation of the new first year program, FCE or First Class Emphasis. CIMA was moved to week 3. Chris, Fletcher and Brent will be the leaders. B TSR (or now its replacement) is intended for 2nd years and up. We should be getting our first new scout from the church.

Alex and Doug went over the merit badge plan and other decisions. The PLC based the plan on the seasons. Motorboating certification will still need to be researched. Troop 869 may have an auto mechanics badge counselor. The boys also decided to make greenery the primary fundraiser, since they were tired of selling popcorn. The troop sale will take place in early October.

Then began a lengthy discussion of the calendar. See the troop website for the most current version. Doug will get back with everyone on alternatives for B TSR, and possibly the ski trip.

Although I reported at the meeting we were still short some popcorn money, this turned up when Chris got around to handing over last week's envelopes. Bank balance is back over \$7000, with \$5300 of that allocated to the ski trip. The boys owe just under \$400 in dues. Everyone should have received their January family passbook status e-mail from me.

Dave briefly discussed his intent to troll for committee position replacements from the new set of parents. It is inevitable that each of our sons will leave the troop some day, which means the current committee has a duty to ensure that trained replacements exist for departing committee members, no matter what position they are currently filling.

Thanks to Lori Johnson for taking the notes, as I was going back and forth getting Catherine to her Venture crew meeting.

Barbara
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