

Dave Padgett called the meeting to order. Lynn Padgett, Mark Faerber Annette Schoeberle, Trina Schollmeier, Stan Schloesser and Annette Faerber attended.

- 1) **Secretary's Report:** Report submitted. Annette S. motioned to approve minutes. Lynn seconded. Motion approved.
- 2) **Treasurer's Report:** Report submitted. Account balance \$4,527.34; \$2,780.01 for Scout Accounts with final balance of \$1,747.33. Popcorn money has been credited to the Scout Accounts.
- 3) **Scoutmaster Report:** Troop Guides are in place for the new Scouts, Evan and John S.
- 4) **Senior Patrol Leader Report** – no report.
- 5) **Fundraising:**
 - a) **Ink Jet/Cell Phone Recycling Program** – Lynn has information on a new company, Conover Office Products. We're going to switch to this company as they will pay monthly AND they will also reimburse us and recycle cartridges even if they cannot reuse them. They are truly a recycler. Liberty Middle School uses this vendor and has had great success with them. Lynn will coordinate. They also take cell phones.
 - b) **eScrip** – no report. No money yet but it needs to be communicated to the new families. Annette will take care of this.
 - c) **Bowling Bash** – 5/10/08 at AMF Bowland in Granite City.
 - d) **Candy fundraising** – currently selling candy bars
- 6) **Coordinator's Reports:**
 - a) **Activities Coordinator:**
 - i) **March** – Beaver Dam 3/28-30. Permission slips ready; leaving at 5:30 on Friday and returning Sunday early afternoon. Annette S. will send out permission slip to Patty Dettenmeier for her 2nd year Webelos.
 - ii) **April** – Mark is not in town 4/11-13; this may restrict camping. Discussed caving event (day trip only).
 - iii) **May – TWC Camporee 5/2-5/4;** no information is available yet; **Memorial Day – 5/17 Woodlawn Cemetery** has asked for assistance in placing flags on Veterans gravesites. They have not done it for two years now and the community has expressed disappointment. A notice went out through the Council asking for volunteers. Annette S. contacted Liz Allen at the cemetery and she has not been contacted by any other troop. The Committee felt this was a great opportunity to provide service hours to our local community and felt very strongly about assisting Woodlawn with this request. Annette S. will coordinate. Faerber's will provide lunch. Meet at 9:00 a.m. This event will replace our Jefferson Barracks event.
 - iv) **June** – Quayle Lake. Stan will check on dates – suggested 6/13-15 or 6/20-22
 - v) **July** - Summer Camp – 7/6-12 at Warren Levis. Registration fee paid.
 - b) **Quartermaster Report:** no report – the trailer will be licensed under Padgett's name again this year since we still do not have the Friends of Troop 216 group established. We will need to start thinking about adding a larger trailer or a second one.

Discussed the need for more troop tents. Annette S. made a motion to purchase four new tents and floor savers from Alps Mountaineering. Stan seconded the motion. Motion passed.
 - c) **Advancement Chair:** Report submitted. New Scouts will have requirements for Scout rank to work on. John Paul has several Tenderfoot requirements; Thomas has a couple of requirements and should have them completed soon. An Eagle Palm application was submitted in January to the Council office for Zach. No response from them yet. Lucas will be eligible for his first Palm on 3/12. Jacob has received approval from his church for his Eagle

Project and it will be turned into the Eagle Board for approval. He hopes to begin fundraising for his project in late April or early May. It should be a three weekend (Saturday's only) project.

7) Committee Chair Report: Dave is very happy that we have a lot of new adults registered with the troop.

8) Old Business: none

9) New Business:

Website needs to be updated. Information out there is extremely out-of-date (2007 Beaver Dam permission slip) and the new parents are trying to get information from it. Stan will check with the web guy in his office to see if he can work out a deal for pro bono work. Annette F. suggests looking into using BigTent.com. Nice free site.

The troop desperately needs a larger space for Monday night meetings. We are too cramped into our current space and now that we've lost half of the room it is even tighter. Dave is going to talk or email Father Joe to see if we have other options at the church. Liberty Middle School may be another possibility.

Need to place a new order for troop t-shirts. The new boys will need them. Stan doesn't want to change the colors to gray shirts with blue logo. He feels that our blue shirts/silver logo is the troop's brand and should stay that way. Gives the boys a more uniform look when we are in public. We'll discuss further.

10) Chartering Organization Rep: no report

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: Wednesday, April 2nd at 7:30 p.m.