

Powderhorn District Committee Meeting  
April 10, 2017

In attendance: Diane Sjodahl, George Schmit, Bob Pletl, Lynne Pletl, George Bullock, Bruce Burke, Joanna Server, Matt Jacobs, Steven Balick, Vito Rizzo, Matt Lacy

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm, Bob led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Discussion

Membership Report

- After the dust has settled from charter renewals, the district is down 201 Cub Scouts (35%) and 78 Boy Scouts (24%).
- Comparing these dropped youth to the number of youth recruited last fall shows a difference of 80 additional youth that would need to be recruited over what was recruited in 2016.
- All but two units are renewed for 2017-2018. These units will not be able to purchase Scout Shop merchandise, process advancement, and are not covered under BSA insurance as their charters have lapsed:
  - Pack 14 DeRuyter: Youth Protection needed for one of two den leaders listed in order to post unit. Cannot post without at least one den leader current with YPT.
  - Troop 43 Canastota: Charter submitted electronically 2/28/17, no paper copy received in office for review.
- Diane Sjodahl volunteered to contact these units to ensure they understand their situation and to offer help and support.

Non-unit Registrations

- All district committee members and commissioners were emailed copies of the district membership roster and asked to make corrections, add omissions, and send the revised back to Matt for processing.
- Matt will re-send non-unit registrant list in revised format.

Finance

- If pre-printed pledge cards not available for district members for May meeting, Matt will bring blank pledge cards.
- \$2,370 raised for \$10,000 district finance goal.
- Development Director planning and executing a dinner in Cazenovia.
- Discussion on potential Madison County event through Board of Supervisors Office. Identified a chairman prospect for the event (Chairman of Board is a father of a Perryville Eagle Scout).
- Discussion on possibility of tying event to Rome Mayor's Office (breakfast?). Matt has plans from other councils to make such an event work; Diane Sjodahl to approach John Mazzafaro to set up an ask for Jackie Izzo's support.

Commissioner Staff

- Concerns raised over effectiveness of Commissioner staff in City of Rome. Pack 50 has not seen anyone in a year.
- Diane Sjodahl transferring her registration from Training to Commissioner staff to help service City of Rome.
- Richard Calidonna, recruited by Diane, will help share workload in Rome. Both attended recent Commissioner College.
- Carlene Dewane, recruited by Council Commissioner John Devlin, has asked to work in Cazenovia/Chittenango area as she lives in Liverpool. Will assign units as situation warrants.

Training:

- All training courses have been attended, but some less publicized than others.
- Training committee working at a council level to improve publicity and advertisements for their courses.

Advancement:

- District advancement committee meeting at same time as district committee meeting creates some challenges for giving reports.
- Reviewed the most recent Advancement Summit; positive feedback from participants.

Camping:

- Brandy Knight will be Program Director for Oneida Day Camp
- Overall behind the curve on Henderson signups
- Lynne to write letter to Oneida pool for day camp use and coordinate with Al Schrader for using PFDs from camp.

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Activities:

- Report to the State: June 14 in Albany. Publicize that we would like local Scouts to join us (and get out of school)!
- 2018 Gold Nugget Derby host: Pack 5 Earlville, location TBD
- 2018 Klondike Derby host Troop 7 Munnsville, location TBD
- Event weekends set by council calendar

Nominating Committee

- Matt Jacobs shared that the committee has scheduled an ask for a key position on the District Committee for later this week. Committee on track to have slate of names, chairman, and commissioner recommendation for Annual Business Meeting of district on June 12. Names still being considered for all positions.

Calendar Review

- Council Day Camp Meeting 4/13
- Good Friday 4/14, Easter 4/16
- Program Night 4/18
- BALOO 4/22
- Kingsley Work Day/OA 4/29
- Radio Roundtable 5/4
- District Committee Meeting 5/8
- Council Day Camp Meeting 5/11
- Mom & Me Camporee 5/12-13
- Council Advancement Committee 5/15
- Program Night 5/16
- Council Spring Camporee 5/19-21
- Council Golf Tournament 5/22
- Memorial Day (Offices Closed) 5/29
- Radio Roundtable 6/1
- Henderson SR Work Day/Woodbadge Reunion 6/3
- OA Brotherhood Weekend 6/9-10
- District Annual Business Meeting 6/12
- Report to the State 6/14
- Council Annual Business Meeting 6/15
- Fishing Derby 6/17
- Program Night 6/20
- Program Kickoffs 6/21-22

The meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Matt Lacy  
Senior District Executive

Handouts Shared

- Objectives Progress Report 3/31/17
- District Totals Report 3/31/17
- Adult Training Statistics Report 3/31/17
- District Advancement Report 3/31/17