

## Troop 870 Parent Meeting Minutes May 4, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm by Mike Marston.

[Campouts](#) – May campout is Friday, May 15-Sunday, May 17 at RUNNING M BEES at 294546 Grubbs Road, Sealy TX 77474. The loading will be at UBC on Thursday, May 14 at 6:30 pm. Departure to camp will be on Friday at 6:00 pm with the return predicted for 1:00pm Sunday. This campout will be held at RunningMBees, a private property with a large, stocked pond for fishing. The owner of the property is planning to attend our May 11 meeting to talk about fishing techniques. Please contact Steve McGehee ASAP if you are interested in going. Deadline is tonight for registrations. Cost is \$10 to camp and \$15 for food. Scouts can bring their own fishing gear, but it is expected that there will gear available at camp if they don't currently have any.

[June Campout](#) – June 12-14 at Guadalupe State Park. This will be a canoeing trip. The plan is to leave by 2:00 Friday afternoon as it a ~4 hour drive to the park. Return Sunday at approx. 4:00pm.

[Summer Camp](#) – Sunday, July 12 - Saturday, July 18. Medical forms A, B, and C (the doctor's portion) are due to the troop [by June 8!](#) You may email them to Becky Forrest if you have them already completed. If bringing to the meeting, please provide two hard copies of all the forms.

The final payment of \$150 for summer camp is also due on June 8. Two adults will drive vans with the scouts' gear to camp. The scouts will be flying to Atlanta on Southwest Airlines and should only come with a carry-on for the flights.

[Service Projects - upcoming service projects:](#)

1. May 9 – Ms. Lisa Nicklow's home – the troop will weed, mulch and provide general yard work and clean-up for Ms. Nicklow, widow of one of the troop's Asst. Scoutmasters.
2. May 9 – Eagle Scout project for Dylan Senderling, 12-5 pm at Clear Lake Baptist Church. Dylan is hosting a food drive and a musical concert. Scouts can volunteer to help with the setup, clean-up or throughout the event. Dylan will send an email reminder to the troop this week.
3. Remember that Scouts must have [three hours of service before they attend Summer Camp](#). (This does not apply to new Scouts)

[Volunteers /Troop Leadership](#)

Becky Forrest is looking for someone to replace her as the troop custodian of Medical Records. Please contact Becky if you would be available to help her with his job and eventually to take the position. Remember that all positions in the troop are volunteer and everyone must contribute to help the troop continue.

[rlforres@central.uh.edu](mailto:rlforres@central.uh.edu)

Flag Fundraiser – Please remember to sign up for your two holidays for flag distribution. For the Memorial Day holiday the flags will be put out on May 22 and picked up on May 29. Paul Nguyen will send an email with additional details and the list of those who have volunteered to help on this holiday. Remember that the flag fundraiser is our major source of income and provides large subsidies for camps that all boys attend. Each Scout must participate in the fundraiser.

Scoutmaster/Notes – Mr. Sambell was busy with the troop's Swim Test at the meeting. He did want to remind all the Scouts that are working on the Tenderfoot Fitness requirements to keep practicing as the 30 day requirement started at the new Scout campout. The fitness testing will be done at the June 1 meeting.

Triathlon – Our annual troop triathlon is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, August 15.

Advancements – May 18 is the Court of Honor. Deadline to turn in a blue card is the May 11 meeting. The Court of Honor will be held in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Great Room at UBC. Please contact Amanda Brown if you have questions about advancements. [mandabrown703@gmail.com](mailto:mandabrown703@gmail.com)

Website – Please visit our newly redesigned our Troop 870 website! Thanks to much hard work by Mike Marston and Scout Andrew Larson, our website is looking fantastic. These two would appreciate any suggestions for improvements you may have. <http://troop870wubc.com/>

### Calendar

May 11 – Troop Meeting

May 15-17 – May Campout @ RunningMBees in Sealy, TX

May 18 – Troop Meeting at UBC

May 25 – No meeting - Memorial Day Holiday

June 1 – Meeting will be held at Bay Area Park – Canoeing. No parent meeting that night.

June 8 - June Parent meeting.

June 12-14 Canoeing Campout at Guadalupe State Park

June 15 – No Meeting (Vacation Bible School at UBC)

June 22 – Troop Meeting at UBC

June 29 – Troop Meeting at UBC

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Adjourned at 7:50 pm

Suzanne Sambell

Troop 870 Secretary

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