

November 2022 Parent Meeting Minutes

7:04 Meeting called to order by Steven Gardner

Troop 870 Leadership

Timothy Zhang Senior Patrol Leader Troop 870

Kurt Gensler Assistant Senior Patrol Leader Of Camping ASPL

Dillon Gensler Assistant Senior Patrol Leader of Service ASPL

Jonathan Kim Assistant Senior Patrol Leader of Meetings ASPL

Flag Update- Clay Gorham Flag Coordinator

**Veterans Day will wrap up the Flag Fundraiser for 2022*

**Flag Subscriptions rate will be increased to \$50.00 for 2023 as supported by majority vote at our meeting*

**Currently discussing the Brookwood flags to determine if these will continue to be part of an incentive plan for scouts to earn money or if these flags will be included as part of the troop 870 flag fundraiser. Discussions will be ongoing to determine best plan moving forward for 2023*

**Looking at this year Brookwood flags were serviced under an incentive plan where scouts earned money for each flag set out and picked up. Currently we are looking at how troop 870 will take on additional subscriptions for Brookwood neighborhood in 2023 as this year we did not send out flyers for new subscribers and expect more subscribers now that troop 870 will be servicing Brookwood*

Volunteer Update

**Website Webmaster Needed!*

** Recruitment Chair*

**Flag Subscription Coordinator...Jennifer Joiner will help train you for this position. Questions can be directed to Jennifer Joiner regarding responsibilities and time commitment*

**Court of Honor Programs...To develop and print COH programs. Our troop uses MS Publisher. This person will coordinate with our scoutmaster and advancement chair to arrange program.*

**Boards of Review..each family is asked to join in volunteering to serve on our boards of review. This is a great way to get to know the scouts and help them advance in rank.*

**Assistant Flag Coordinator .. coordinates the flag holidays with Mr. Gorham*

**Outdoor Committee Members...to help plan and coordinate the campouts with Mr. Bourns.*

**Merit Badge Counselors..to help with the merit badge of your choice. No expertise or experience needed, just a willingness to go through the objectives and guide the boys through the class.*

**Hospitality..Need a few people to help coordinate food for our Court of Honors. This person would coordinate which food the patrols and their families can bring. Typically, will direct each patrol to bring desserts, or salty snacks or veggies etc. to balance out the food for COH.*

Troop Subsidy

**Troop 870 subsidizes long term camps for our scouts in good standing with the troop*

**Typically we have one long-term campout in the fall-November and one in the summer*

**Eligibility: Each scout is eligible provided they have done one flag maintenance shift and 2 flag holidays each year and accrued 3 hours of service per term (fall and spring) with troop 870 or email approved service with our scoutmaster.*

** This means 3 hours in the fall applied to fall camp and 3 hours of service in the spring applied to summer camp.*

**Troop Subsidy..The amounts are determined/ based upon our financial status as a troop is.*

**2023 Summer Camp Subsidy will be \$400.00 for those scouts who qualify*

Camping Update- Rich Bourns

****November Campout:*** Nov. 18-23 Camp Edgewood in Louisiana

****Winter Camp:*** Dec. 26-31 Camp Strake

This is not a formal troop 870 camp out. However, any individual interested can direct questions to Michael D'Onofrio

****Summer Camp:*** Camp Rainey Mountain in Georgia (15 hr drive)
David Rigoulot presented multiple options for transportation for

summer camp including renting vans, flying or taking buses. After reviewing all options a vote was taken and Buses will be the designated transportation for summer camp. The transportation cost per scout will be approximately \$400.00 Adult volunteers are also needed to attend camp. Troop 870 will pay camp fees for each adult volunteer but the adult volunteer will pay the transportation cost. Summer Camp Stipend per scout will be \$400.00 provided that the scout has accrued 3 hours of service (each term: fall/spring) and done one flag maintenance shift and 2 troop 870 flag holidays.

***Sea Base:** June 25-30 Islamorada, Florida

questions regarding Sea Base can be directed to Mr. David Collings

Philmont Update- Troop 870 is planning a Philmont trip in 2024.

Mr. Collings is in charge of this and can answer any questions you may have.

Service Projects

Rajesh Subramanian & SPL of Service Dillon Gensler

* Tapestry Dinner at UBC Nov. 10 look for emails from our service SPL for details

* Tree Planting at Exploration Green.. scouts need to see emails for final plans from service SPL

***Did you Know:** Any scout who has an outside opportunity for service can email our scoutmaster for approval so it can be included in your troop service.

**Did you Know: Any Scout who volunteers and helps with an Eagle Project can count those hours as service hours as long as they sign in and out while volunteering at the project*

Timothy Zhang Senior Patrol Leader- Steve Joiner Scoutmaster Announcements

**December Meeting will be our Rama-Hana-Christmas Party*

**December Seafarer boxes will be packed at the Party Look for emails from our service ASPL about what items your patrol/ scout will need to bring.*

**January will be our Next Court of Honor*

Troop Recharter

Andy Self is in charge of the recharter for our troop. Please let Andy know if you will or will not be rechartering. If you have a formal position as a volunteer, the troop will pay your recharter fees but make sure to talk with Andy. Recharter fee for scouts is \$80.00 Make sure to update your YPT before the recharter in March as well as these will impact our recharter if you are not up to date with your YPT.

Meeting Adjourned 8:07