Troop 32 – Committee Meeting – September 3, 2013

Attending: G. Varnerin (recorder/chair), I. Dicken, J. Stiles, K. Pennett, R. Pease and S. Tucker.

Next Meeting

The Next Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 8, 2013, 7:30pm at Wilson Memorial Church.

Advancement

Walter Pennett – Eagle. Walter met with the committee to finalize his Eagle rank application package. Everything was in order, and final signatures added to his application. Karen Pennett will deliver this package to the council service center in the next couple of days.

Eagle Projects

Several Scouts have approached Sue Tucker for Eagle project ideas and as coach. Sue is not the troop's designated Eagle coach, or source of project ideas. We agreed that scouts first need to identify a project idea before seeking a coach. If they have no ideas, they should start with family, church, or civic organizations they are active in. They may also approach the Scoutmaster or committee chairman for ideas.

Treasurer's Report - Lucina

Lucina reported via email that we have a balance of \$16346 in T. Rowe, and \$8408 in checking, including three outstanding checks that have not cleared. This is based on end of July statements.

Wreath Sales – Sue will get prices from Iona Farms so we can set a final price list at the next meeting. We agreed to start the sales program a little earlier this year. We will roll it out at the last troop meeting before Halloween (Wednesday, October 30).

Presales Incentive Program – We discussed employing a new "commission-based" incentive program. A "Boy Account" will be created for each scout. A percentage (or flat, per item amount) will be credited to each scouts' account for registered, prepaid item sales. The per item amount will be non-trivial (25%-40% of sale price). The account balance may be used to pay for trip fees and Scout Shop (uniform) purchases.

Adult and Scout Venue Sales Schedule – A volunteer signup sheet will be made available for scout and parent coverage of venue sales on 10/30. It will be available at subsequent scout meetings through 11/20. Slots that do not receive volunteers will have names assigned arbitrarily.

General Business

Fall Calendar

- Texier House and Historical Committee <u>History Day</u> 10/5
 The troop will sell Hot Dogs and Apple Cobbler as a fundraiser. Please bring related expense receipts to the next meeting.
- District Camporee "Are you TOUGHER than a Boy Scout?" 10/11-13. See: http://wm.ppbsa.org/2013BoyScoutFallCamporeeAnnouncementFinal.pdf Scout cost will be \$30. Webelos will be invited with parents.
- West Point Orienteering Skills Workshop 9/27-29 See:

 http://watchungtroop32.com/wp/
 Costs will be \$40 for scouts and \$30 for adults. A credit (\$15) is available for adults driving scouts from other families.
- 9/11 Ceremony Flag Color Guard To be held at 5:30p.m. at the Village Green.