

Troop 32 – Committee Meeting – September 2, 2015

Attending

S. Tucker (chair), R. Pease, K. Pennett, W. Ruta, R. Stefanovic, Y. Nora (recorder), and G. Varnerin.

Find this, and all Committee Meeting minutes at:

<http://watchungtroop32.com/committee.html>

Next Meeting

The Next Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 7, 2015, 7:30pm at Wilson Memorial Church.

Advancement

None

Eagle Projects

- Josh Schmidt – (Randy Stefanovic, advisor) Is working to develop proposal for Wilson Church. Possibly a labyrinth.
- Michael Erickson – (Tony Hayeck, advisor) His project to build and install four bird feeders, plant shrubs and perennial flowers, and clean Padre Pio statue is in progress. Working with Chris Vanderfliet and Matt King.
- Ryan Desai – In progress. Needs Board of Review.
- Pramath – Project is complete and sign-off received from sponsor. Now working on Eagle Scout application. The plants need to be established and grow more to get signature from the Arboretum.
- Jonathan George – (Richard Pease, advisor) Project to build a gaga pit for Salvation Army camp with benches was reviewed with suggestions. A few more merit badges to accomplish. His birthday in May 2016.
- Nick George – Will work on proposal to submit in the fall
- Sean Pease – Working on proposal
- TJ Vagell – Will be a senior. Most badges are done.

Scoutmaster's Report (*Richard P.*)

- *Charter Application* – Packets are available
- *Camping* – Gear audit and collection to be done with Rich Brown and Jack Valente
- *Rank Advancement* – Focus on younger scouts

- *Shooting Weekend* – (September 18-20) will be announced in next troop e-mail and web sign-up to be set up with request for payment to be brought at the September 9 meeting. Planning, grocery shopping to be done for rank advancements; range is reserved from 1-3 pm. Hiking in the morning.
- *Troop Elections* – September 9 but may be pushed back one week.
- *Liberty State Jamboree* – Mandatory leaders meeting. Need ASM to attend and get count for parking passes and trailer.
- *Trailer* – At some point, it will be signed over to the troop and it would be nice to put troop logo on the side. Wheels and bearings need to be fixed or replaced. Will need some funds.
- *Planning Meeting* – Announcement sent for 9/12. Include request for some of the events. Follow up with Bayberry School to schedule each Wednesday. Need Certificate of Insurance.
- *Court of Honor* – 55 merit badges to be awarded. Encourage parents and scouts to attend, not just for Eagle Scout celebration.

Treasurer's Report (W. Ruta)

- Checking: \$10,325.24 (as of Aug 31)

General Business

Storage Shed Update

All three permits and tax-exempt form received. Paul Boylan will do the excavating. Weldon will help the troop but not sure exactly what this means. Ed Bennett needs six inches of stone on defined area of survey map. Building expected end of September at Garden Oaks but we can hold off delivery until mid to late October. We promised church we would add landscape. Partial payment of \$2,000 is to be made to Garden Oaks with the balance to be made upon delivery.

Walk-on items

- Troop to send fruit platter to Jack Valente in memory of his father.
- Richard P. will communicate dues payment can be made at this time with deadline of Oct 31.
- Watchung History Day – Scouting Display; Food to be determined.
- Scout Scholar Athlete Award – Richard P. to circulate notice to Star Scouts and above.
- Annual Planning Meeting – (Saturday, September 12, 9am – 12 pm). Ideally, one outing per month will be planned with four in the fall and three in spring.
- Wreath Sales – Still need a volunteer.

Calendar

See <http://watchungtroop32.com/events.html> for the latest (printable) troop calendar.

- September 11: Flag Ceremony 5:30 pm (arrive by 5:15 pm) at Village Green
- September 12: Annual Planning Meeting, Wilson Church (9 am – noon)

- September 16: Troop Meeting at Bayberry
- September 18-20: Shooting Range/Camping Weekend at Allamuchy
- September 23: Troop Meeting at Bayberry
- September 26: Watchung History Day, 10-4_
- September 30: Court of Honor at Wilson Church
- October 2-4: Liberty State Park Jamboree