

Troop 997 Committee/Parent Meeting Agenda
August 8, 2024

Attendees: Cheryl McCrary, Doug Webster, Scott Madden, Jeff Veenstra, Ron Krull, Jeremy Pionke, Robert Contreras, Michelle Dunajcik and Jennifer Roth

Motion to convene meeting: Scott motioned; Doug seconded

Last Meeting Minutes: Approved by Doug and seconded by Scott

Old Business: N/A

Scoutmaster Reports:

Cheryl McCrary – On June 10, we had PLC and a troop meeting. Our SPL was not prepared with meeting plans for July, but we were able to finish the monthly themes for program planning for 2024-2025. Norther Tier crews departed on Friday, June 14 and returned on June 22 (later than expected) June 17, I reserved large gym at Ostmann for Mondays and Thursdays. They are keeping the reservation time slots 6 to 7:30 and 7:30 to 9:00. I reserved both time slots. Hopefully, there is a regular janitor & we can work out something for Monday nights. June 18, I requested access to the reservation portal for BSA properties. June 24 was a regular troop meeting and then we had our Pre Summer-Camp meeting on July 1. Summer camp was held July 7 – 13, and we did not have a meeting the Monday afterwards (July 15). July 22, we had PLC and troop meeting. July 29 was the last night to sign up for the Canoe Float Trip. We did not have any adults available that had previously attended the float trip, so it was canceled. Adults did not have BSA swimmer, First Aid, Weather Hazard trainings. Mr. King & I have been working behind the scenes to line up adult leadership for the next year. We have already talked to some of you about new roles. If we haven't talked with you and you would like to switch roles or want to recommend someone for a role, now is the time. Notes From Roundtable: Scouting Safety Reminders for Automobile Transportation, Incident reporting Guide, August 24 Beaumont Anniversary, October 5 Warren Levis Anniversary

Life to Eagle - Ron Krull – Zaden made it with two days to spare. He completed his project in late July. He has requested his District Final Board. Owen is nearing his initial plan completion. Josh is starting to work on his proposal and has selected Mr. Webster as his mentor. He will be building percussion shelves for the band. Luke has selected his workdays. His workdays are September 21st, 22nd and 28th. We are hoping to have new Life Scouts to work with after the August COH.

NYLT - Connie Krull – We had one scout, Andy Roth, attend NYLT this summer.

New Scouts – Cheryl McCrary – Several scouts need to complete their service hour and request a Scoutmaster conference. Webelos and Arrow of Light visits on August 12 and September 16 and fall camporee.

Order of the Arrow – Doug Webster – We had one scout elected into OA during summer camp. He will try to attend the Spring Conclave. Fall Reunion is September 6th-8th. We will send an email to our members. Section Conclave is October 4th-6th.

Activity Report: Jason Hughes – N/A

August - Shooting Sports

Aug 2-4 Float Trip - CANCELED

Aug 5 7:15 Troop Meeting @ YMCA outdoor pavilion

Aug 6 BT Roundtable @ KoC

Aug 8 7:15 Troop Committee Meeting YMCA Conference Room

Aug 12 7:15 Troop Meeting @ YMCA outdoor pavilion -WEBELOS visit, Advancement due for August COH

Aug 15 7:15 Troop PLC @ YMCA outdoor pavilion
Aug 19 7:15 Troop Meeting @ YMCA outdoor pavilion -SPL / ASPL elections - RSVP due for Family Picnic
Aug 24 9am YMCA Service Project
Aug 25 1pm August Court of Honor @Quail Ridge Park Shelter #6 - Grub \$ due for OA Fall Reunion
Aug 26 NO Troop meeting

Look ahead - September

Sept 2 NO MEETING - Labor Day Holiday
Sept 3 BT Roundtable @ KoC
Sept 5 7:15 Troop Committee Meeting YMCA Conference Room
Sept 6-8 OA Fall Reunion
Sept 9 7:15 Troop meeting @ Ostmann
Sept 14 10:30 AM Troop Activity @ Missouri Bluffs State Park

Advancement: Jeff Veenstra – Our next COH is August 25th at Qual Ridge. The last day to submit is August 12th. Emails have been going out for sign ups for food. COH starts at 1:00. We have two rank advancements, 45 merit badges and 1 National Outdoor Award.

Adult Training: Janelle Gambino – Climbing & Rappelling - August 14 and August 24-25; Challenge Course Instructor - Sept 4 and Sept 14-15; Climbing Tower Instructor – Oct 5; IOLS (prerequisite for ASM) – TBD; Assistant Scoutmaster training - TBD

Committee Chair: Kasey King – Some responses to the Troop Resource form to get more adult involvement. We're interested in more Assistant Scout Masters to remove the extra workloads off of Cheryl. We will also have other adult positions become available as the older scouts exit the youth program. Our State of Missouri Non-Profit registration is due this month, I'll be renewing this for two years. I also need to renew my own Youth Protection Training this month, be sure to keep yours up to date.

Equipment Report: Jeremy Pionke – Everything made it back from summer camp with no issues. We need to check the seams on the circus tent because of all the rain at summer camp. There were a lot of drips at the seams, so we need to waterproof the seams again. We do need to go through the tents, kitchen flies, and backpacking flies and check them for wear and tear.

Membership: Robert Contreras – We have two youths approaching their 18th birthday. There is a new system in place to have each person renew on their own. Scout Master has been updated to archive scouts who are no longer registered with the Troop.

Medical: Robert Contreras – We have a couple of medical forms that will expire in August and September.

Service/Good Turn: August YMCA workday 8/24 – We are working with Cody Rice to develop our project list for the YMCA. Due to the ongoing construction, the projects may look different this year. We will still need families to help by providing shovels, rakes, hoes, wheel barrows, etc. as we will likely be working on planting beds and mulch.

Treasurer Report: Scott Madden – The general fund has maintained its balance. Scout accounts have increased. Northern Tier will be providing a \$214 refund per scout into their scout accounts. Summit accounts will start increasing once payments start coming in September. The Shiloh account is still holding on to the patch money. We are still working through the Summer Camp account regarding the adult payments. We do need to set up a budget meeting.

Troop 997 Treasurer Report August 1, 2024	
Beginning Balance:	\$19,474.06
Ending Balance:	\$16,861.05
Account Breakdown:	
Troop 997 General Fund:	\$7,146.92
Scout's Accounts:	\$8,967.80
Sea Base 2023	(\$0.00)
Northern Tier 2024	\$0.00
Philmont 2022	\$0.00
Summit 2025	\$365.00
Shiloh 2024	\$248.62
Summer Camp 2024	\$132.71
Canoe Float Trip	\$0.00
Total Breakdown	\$16,861.05
Scout Dues in Arrears:	(\$251.19)
Comments	
Scott Madden	
Treasurer of Troop 997	

Fundraising: Erin Madden – We have switched back to Trails End for popcorn sales. There are fewer options to sell this year. The pickup place is now local, and their employees will sort it for us. There will be popcorn and coffee order forms available at COH but most of the sales will be online.

Northern Tier 2024: Scott Madden – We had a great time. We had one day where we got 4.5 inches of rain.

Summit Bechtel 2025: Angela Pionke – We have 13 people going to Summit. There are 7 adults and 6 youths. We will send out an updated amount and payment schedule. We have three spots open at this time.

Summer-camp 2024: Michelle Dunajcik – We had a great week at summer camp. We shared a campsite with Troop 641 from New Horizons. The Scoutmaster is Tom Jolley. The block merit badge schedule worked well for some merit badges. But no one seemed to enjoy the block sessions on Friday. Moderate temperatures and rain showers limited some of our activity. Our canoe overnight (Tuesday) was canceled due to the rain and wind during the day. Aquatics had closed to avoid hypothermia conditions and I had the same concerns for our overnight away from camp. Wednesday night Water Carnival was a great time. Camp Staff did a great job of keeping the events flowing. Family Night started off a little slow due to a steady downpour at arrival time, but we still got to eat! We had one youth get called out and attend the pre-ordeal. A storm broke out after midnight and Tom & I went to check on our OA candidates. T997 candidate was dry & chose to stay on the overnight. T641 candidate was wet &

chose to return to camp. Friday brought more rain in the morning but cleared up for the afternoon. We did not have any participants for the Mile Swim. Mrs. McCrary & Mr. Jolley staffed it until the thunder call. Thanks to Michelle Dunajcik for entering the signing everyone up for merit badges. Thanks to the Waechter family for coordinating our family night meal.

New Business: We need to set a date for the budget meeting. We will hold it on September 9th at 6:00 at Ostmann.

End of Committee Meeting motion: Scott motioned; Doug seconded