Committee Meeting 10/20/2021

Adam, Jim M., Steve C., Marlene, Jeff, Brenda, Greg, Brian, Steve D., Marcia, Hudson, Alisa,

SPL Announcements

Use Remind to send out troop announcements for texting

Would like to use because doesn't have all scouts phone #s or full Scoutbook access

Sounds like all the kids know how it works, and parents for school

Remember 2 deep leadership

Hudson going to set it up; might need an adult to have an instructor role

Going to set up a PLC

Lashings at the next meeting

For G, need to do more First Class work; Don't feel like they're making a lot of progress

Just want a way to advance and finish up through First Class

So girls would like to spend time working on advancement

At PLC, will plan out rest of meetings to work on advancement for 5 non-First Class Scouts

Recruitment

- Trick-Or-Trot on October 30th
 - o Passing out paracord with instruction card and our information
 - o Brian made 100 kits; cost \$30
 - o Hudson going to be there for the entire event; think 8AM to 10AM
 - Lot of confusion regarding this event
 - Need booth staffed by 8am
- Cub Scout Events
 - O Do we want to ask Webelos to chip in \$5 if they come to Shabbona? Or just have them bring a dessert? Decision: Bring a dessert to share
 - o Want to have a rhythm to build relationships with them so they join
 - o For now going to limit to Shabbona
 - o Do we want to do a lock-in with Webelos?
 - Might need to consider somewhere other than St. A's
 - Do we want to do Lifetime Fitness?—Francis will setup a date in January;
 Can be that outing
- Recap of Monday's Webelos Visit
 - Only looked like 3 left early
 - o Seemed to have fun with the fires and S'mores
 - Hudson commented that it could have used a few more run throughs, but it still went well
 - o A learning experience for them
 - o Knives might have been a little too large for the kids
 - o Talking went a little long; next time get them up and moving a little more

o Try this again with a different subject again in April

Communications

Request to not like things with the Apple iPhones; causes extra texts

Feels like it goes off topic a little too easily

Please be mindful of who your audience is when sending a text

Great immediate forum; not really personal planning

Remind sounds like a good alternative A way to curtail this

Email not really a good place for conversations either—chains become unreadable

It's becoming white noise for a lot of people and things are being missed

Outings/Events

- Pizza Party at F&C
 - o There are some who feel we're wasting our profits and time spent at patch
 - o Probably looking at about 30 people
 - o A way for 199 and 122 to mingle
 - Also a way to thank Kozars for letting us use F&C
 - What % of our profits are we looking to spend?
 - o We have less pumpkins, but we will make more money
 - o Put down \$300 at bar for drinks and ice cream?—No
 - No paying for liquor
 - o No Little Caesars
 - o Jordan got us 15 free pizzas
 - Need to make them at St. A's head of time
 - o Francis offering to cover the liquor bill up to \$300
 - A bad idea when a scout troop pays for liquor
 - Troop will pay for pop and ice cream
 - o Remember: Family event; no Class A's or B's
 - Jordan got 15 free pizzas; Francis offering to cover up to \$300 at bar; Troop will cover pop and ice cream for scouts
 - o Nov. 7th at 3pm to 6pm
- Creep-O-Ree
 - Will run just as we did for Camporee
 - o Not a MB event; just for fun
 - Would like to push those interested in going
 - o Lily interested going; need to get her a friend
- DuComm
 - 911 DuPage Dispatch center in Wheaton
 - Need to load bus and leave at 7
 - Tell them to meet at 6:45

- o Expecting us at 7:30
- Visit will count for Communications
- Should get a permission slip for this
- o Probably use the one generated by Scoutbook
- o Will be a tour of the entire facility
- o They were told to expect middle schoolers and high schoolers
- o Parents welcome to attend so long as there's room on bus
- Not inviting Cubs/Webelos

Shabbona

- Rocket Cars
- o Pass out cars on Nov. 15 so they can make them at home? Yes
- o Do we know where the trophy wound up? Adam look into
- o On kids to plan what else they want to do; probably football
- o Cub Scouts just come for the Saturday
 - Ask them to bring a dessert to share for dinner

Summer Camp

- Need to pick soon; a lot are closing, so more competition
- Francis troop is going to Colorado
- Might be fun to go somewhere other than WI
- o Options for kids: Decorah, Pfeffer, Makajawan, Crooked Creek in KY,
- Need to start requiring First Class Trail for new scouts at camps

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- Would like to see more adult participation with planning and leading outings
- Typical Francis rant
- o Try to get them set up a year in advance
- o Have it before next committee meeting? Or talk about
- MBU February 12

Gear

Next season need to have bearings repacked

Need to replace the electrical cord plug

Should also look into cleaning and sealing the roof—can do ourselves

Need to work on our tent system

Need to renumber the tents so easier to track; some duplicates

OA

Nico is now the Vigil Chair for lodge

MISC

No to making a troop Instagram or twitter

We have an opportunity to kind of set new rules/break bad habits with older scouts aging out