

**Thunder Bay Area
Northern Ontario Council
Scouts Canada**

Minutes –Area Meeting

Date: January 17, 2018

Time: 7:00

Location: St. Luke's Anglican Church Paris Hall

Meeting chair: Joy Cummings

Attendance/Role Call:

Present: Bill T., Clinton C., Kim L., Tony R., Jessie S., Aaron F., Kelly H., Joel K., Darlene A., Joy C.

Welcomes- Joy thanked all for coming and wished all a Happy New Year.

Scouters Five: None

Approval of Agenda: Approved by Joel, Seconded by Clinton

Approval of Previous Minutes: Approved by Tony, Seconded by Bill

Area Group Reports

6th St. Thomas: 12 youth, 3 Scouters, 2 group committee

- Our theme for November was winter survival - the cubs learned several knots, learned to make garbage bag shelters, made first aid survival kits, learned about hyperthermia, how to prevent it and how to treat it.
- Our theme for December was "Christmas" and we created Christmas themed skits, songs and cheers. We had a "Christmas campfire" (not a real fire) family event and presented our Christmas skits songs and cheers to the audience (parents, grandparents, and siblings of the cubs) followed by a social time with coffee, tea, juice and snacks.
- We resumed our cub meetings on Jan 11, 2018 and started with a New Year's Eve party complete with a toast (orange pop) countdown and a blast of horns and noisemakers to bring in the 2018 portion of our cubing year. We also played board games and each cub had a chance to tell us their favorite event and their favorite present. We also tied in our pizza party that the youth had voted on that they wanted to do with the \$50.00 dollars that we won in the NOC contest last year.
- Our pack participated in the "fill a cruiser" event at the Safeway store on Arthur. It was an awesome experience for the cubs to work with our Law enforcement and had the opportunity to speak with them and see a cruiser up close. There were 6 locations and our site brought in close to 100 boxes of food.

15th Fort William: 12 Beavers, 13 Cubs, 8 Scouts, 2 Venturers, 5 Rovers

- Tour of EMS, tour of Ornge, Swimming, Skating, Tubing at Loch Lomond Ski Hill, Lumberjack Days
- Scouts and Venturers volunteering, planning a winter hike, learning about winter packing and gear. All into Beaver Buggy, Kub Kar & 18 Wheeler Building Stem & Personal Progression programs happening in all sections
- We recently had a cub join us who is from East India, who had no equipment; mom is an international Exchange Student with very little funds. A big thank you to Bill our QM for

rounding up a pack, sleeping bag, foam pad, whistle, cup and bowl and few other small items. I have never seen a boy and his mom as thankful in all my years as a Scouter as these two are.

Cub uniform was donated by Sheena Hillman a Scout parent and future Scouter in our group. Crystal Bergman wanted me to ask Area Groups if they would be interested in a Presentation from Eco Superior on Plastics to be held jointly with Guides, there would be no cost, includes a video and presentation. If Groups are interested Crystal will follow through with this and get the information out. **All were in favour.**

16th Fort William:

- We have one Scout Marijke signed up for the world jamboree and possibly a second Sam that may like to go as they found the jamboree last year was amazing
- Winter hike up Coppin Road the Scouts went on to prepare them for there over night which they Need to complete at least 2 hikes and at the leader's discretion if they are able to sleep in huts That they will prepare.

12th PA group report

- Youth – 7 Beavers, 6 Cubs, 9 Scouts, 4 Venturers
- We have 2 prospects thinking of joining – 1 Beaver age, 1 Cub age
- Leadership Team
- Beaver section – Jenny
(Still trying to get Heather activated)
- Cub section – Max, Ryan (PRC & Respect done, working on Canadian Path)
- Scout section – Brock, Aidan, Sean (PRC updated, need to finish Respect)
- Venturer section – Nancy, Matt (12-week hiatus – military training in New Brunswick)
- Group section – Kathy, Kim, & Jillian
- Before Christmas, Cubs, Scouts, and Venturers expanded their vertical skills. All sections did their seasonal Plan – Do – Review with their youth.

178th Westminster:

- All is good. Registrations remain the same. Compliant

Area Reports

Grey Wolf Memorial Camp - Bill Taylor:

CAMP REPORT - NOV. DEC. 2017:

I am not able to make it out there between week-ends in the winter as much as I would like to as in the summer months, **SO**, I'm asking each group that uses the camp over the winter months to help out a little with the winter maintenance. This would include shoveling the snow from the ramps and board walks not let the youth run up and down to pack it in. The sand is placed in 2 red containers one in the K. Y. B. O. Near the patrol cabins, the other is in the main dining hall, each have their own scoop, so put down some especially on warm days. Peter will look after the driveway and parking lot but can't get his tractor up the ramps. There is a shovel or at least a scraper placed by the door of each of the buildings, Please take time to clear the snow. The back deck of the kitchen is a little different to handle until we get a snow shed build over it. There are some new posters placed in each of the 5 buildings and pole power box in regards to having a fire break out and procedure to follow if it should happen on your watch **THANKS** to the **16TH FORT WILLIAM** for cleaning the ramp into McGuire and putting down sand. **THANKS** also for Putting all the picnic tables back where they belong for the winter. The mop pail used to wash the kitchen floors was left out on the back deck instead of leaving it in the kitchen by the fridge, now we do not have a mop pail, the water froze and the pail has a 2 inch crack in the bottom. There is a small one there now, so it'll to do. I have repaired 4 chairs now that the backs and seats had come off. I know the screws aren't holding much as things get worn out. If this happens when your group is out

there, please let me know either by email or phone call Sunday night so I can bring them in and have them repaired and back in service. There are reflectors on all the posts marking the steps and ramps so they won't get plowed out again. Please leave them where they are thanks. The good thing about this cold, the camp has not been used for Dec. & Jan. saving on propane, plowing. Feb. And March will look a little brighter, I hope.

QUARTERMASTERS REPORT

- All is good. **We need a mop bucket for Maguire,**
CAMP MANAGER / Q.M.
WM. J. TAYLOR

Camp Bookings: New Bookings for Grey Wolf

- Jan. 27th - 178th - Day Hike & use of buildings for warm up
- April 27 - 29 - 2511 LSSR Cadets
- May 19 - 21 - 104th Girl Guides

I NEED GROUPS TO LET ME KNOW THEIR NUMBERS AFTER THEY ARE
OUT AT GREY WOLF. THANKS

Honours & Awards: Roberta Wolfe

- I have submitted a total of 9 people for Ontario Volunteer Awards for 1018
- 6 Adults + 3 Youth (youth are up to 24 years old)
- For your information only at this time, you can just say that I have done them and
- Once confirmed people will be notified.

Grey Wolf Camp Committee - Tony Rojik:

- L.U. for future meetings for Grey Wolf Committee and Area Meetings. Joy will look into booking
- Held our second meeting, was well attended as well as had Don McDonald and David Chezzii on conference call for entire meeting.
- Looked at Vision, Mission, Dreams, finances, water system.
- Don and David suggested that Grey Wolf have thier own bank account and handle all dealings with Grey Wolf ourselves, also David Osborne can assist in applying for the G.S.T. rebate.

Business arising from the minutes:

New Business:

Rally: All names to be sent to Randy C., Randy will take care of tracks for Cubs and Beavers, he will run computer, organize the Pit Crew and MC job. Kelly asked if she is needed this year to help at the rally, Joy said Randy had it all under control.

Kelly brought up that the Beavers only really get a badge from the Rally, all crafts and activities are covered by the 15th and has been for the last few years. The cake is paid for by the Badge Sales that go on twice a year and they get no trophies. This portion of the Rally is poorly attended and promoted by Beaver Sections, considering how much work, prep and costs that goes into providing the Beavers with a Rally of their own. Due to lack of participation, and costs and work put forth it is being questioned by the Scouters running this.

Kelly moves that the Beaver Registration fee be lowered from the present \$6.00 to the cost of a badge \$3.00.

Kelly also brought up that the Cubs, Scouts, Venturers and Scouters Registration fee should be also lowered from \$6.00 to \$5.00 as area events are not fundraisers and should be budgeted to break even not profit from our youth members. Badges cost \$3.00 each; trophies' for the event runs around \$100 to \$120 this leaving a profit margin of around \$130.00 or more at this event.

Kelly moves that the older section Rally fees be dropped to \$5.00 from the present \$6.00 fee.

- Discussion was had on the two motions from all groups present. Most agreed the Beavers fee should be lowered, some felt the Beaver portion of the Rally was a waist of the youths and parents time and don't even pass on the information to them. Some felt if we lowered the fee we could never raise it up again, which is not the case. **We voted on each motion separately.**

All were in favor of Beaver registration Fee being lowered to \$3.00 - Fee will be lowered to \$3.00 per youth to cover cost of badge.

4 groups were against lowering the older sections fee to \$5.00, one was for the lowering of the fee. **Fee will remain at \$6.00 per person.**

Bowling:

- Joy reported that the cost has risen to bowl at Galaxy Lanes, she called Mario's to check out prices and it is \$9.00 per hour but is only 10 pin bowling. Some felt Mario's 10 pin might be better for Scouts and Venturers, but not for Beavers and Cubs. **Joy will contact Caroline Barnwell to see if she can talk to the Manager of Galaxy to honor the same price we were charged in the past as we have been bowling there for many years.**

Lumberjack Games: Sunday January 28, 2018 at Vickers Heights Community Center.

•Vickers Heights Community Centre will hold their annual Lumberjack Jamboree on Sunday, Jan. 28. Come out for the pancake breakfast from 10 -12:30 pm. The Jamboree begins at 1 pm and awards will be presented at 4 pm. \$5 for adults and \$3 for seniors and children. The event is hosted by the Lakehead Thunderwolves.

Dog Lake Camp:

- Waiting for a project proposal from the work team to begin organizing for the spring. Anyone interested in becoming involved in the work to refurbish dog lake is encouraged to contact Scouter Joel.

Area Youth Commissioner:

- Clinton is very happy there are few more youth going to the World Jamboree. Don and he met with an Old Scouter who is helping Don in finding an Area Commissioner. The Fast, Flex and Focus courses are being revamped to meet the Canadian Path standards and program and will be re introduced in May. Bill said there is no such thing as "An Old Scouter".

Clinton was asked if Scouts Canada is making the program a Living Document were nothing is set in stone and can be changed mid way? He will ask.

Area Commissioner/Meeting Chair:

- **Dawn Brown's** email to Joy states Registration Fees starting Jan is now \$165.00; Respect Training Badges are available for purchase at Scout Shop. All pending youth must be cleared up on myscouts, and all outstanding batches using the Billing Code must now be paid.
- **Scoutree's** - talked to, Len as agreed to take this on with help from Area. Groups would like a case of seedlings to have at Mall when pledging to offer people who pledge a certain amount. Kelly asked for the last 3 years for this as it has been requested by many people who donate to Scoutree's but has never succeeded in obtaining seedlings.

Treasurer report:

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Forward Planning:

- Scout / Guide Week can or do we plan anything?

Motion to Adjourn:

- Clinton moved we adjourn, seconded by Darlene

Next Area Meeting FEBRUARY 21, 2018 - LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED

Rapid Rally Racers Registration Form & Information

Rapid Rally Racers will take place on SATURDAY February 24, 2018, at VICTORIA VILLE MALL.

All youth & Scouters who have built a Beaver Buggy, Kub Kar or 18 Wheeler may register and race EVEN IF THEY CANNOT BE IN ATTENDANCE! Vehicles can be raced in the absence of a participant and still have the opportunity to place in the top 3, as well as receive a Rally Badge for your blanket.

SCOUTERS PLEASE ASSIGN ONE SCOUTER TO COLLECT ALL VEHICLES RACING AND REGISTER THEM AT ONE TIME. Waiting for youth to show up with vehicles slows down the organizers of the Rally and the person running the computer.

Beaver's portion of the Rally is organized and ran by Caroline Barnwell and Crystal Bergman with lots of games and crafts related to racing, all Beavers will also get to Race their Beaver Buggies.

Beavers do not have to Pre Register for this Event - Beaver Leaders attending are asked to assist

Registration Fee for Beavers is \$3.00 to cover the Rally Badge

Cubs - Scouts - Venturers - Scouters need to Pre Register by sending all first and last names to Randy Creighton via email at rcreighton@tbaytel.net no later than February 16, 2018 , to be entered into the Computer.

It is easier to remove a name on Race Day then to add one!

Registration Fee for Cubs, Scouts, and Venturers & Scouters is \$6.00 a vehicle

RACES WILL START AT 11:00am sharp with Cubs racing first!

We will stop at Noon for Birthday Cake

Then Resume, with Scouts, Venturers & Scouter Races.

Please remind your youth and parents that races are timed, computer generates the fastest time awarding a 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place for the fastest vehicle!

Body Beautiful Awards will also be presented!

Please bring your Registration Fee Check for your Group to the Rally along with the following Form on the next page

Registration Form Rapid Rally Racer 2018

GROUP NAME: _____

Group Contact: _____

# BEAVERS	@	\$ 3.00 (Badge)	=	\$
# Beaver Leaders	@	\$ 3.00 - Badge Only	=	\$
# Cubs Racers	@	\$ 6.00	=	\$
# Cub Leaders Racing	@	\$ 6.00	=	\$
# Scouts Racing	@	\$ 6.00	=	\$
# Venturers Racing	@	\$6.00	=	\$
# Leaders Racing	@	\$ 6.00	=	\$
Extra Badges Ordered	@	\$ 3.00	=	\$

Total Registration Fees Owed \$ _____