

**2010 Boy Scout Camporee
Committee Meeting Minutes
17 December 2009**

Attendance: Velda Howard, Allen Frierson, Lorie McGraw, Art Seel, Larry Parrish, Jeff Will, Julie Delger, Bob Hamilton, Tommy Donaldson, Stephen Davis, William McCormick

Doug Stone started meeting by briefly discussing a few of his ideas with the Committee, such as no cub scouts except webelos attending with Troops and informing the committee of various other Council Activities to come during the 100th Anniversary Year for our Council.

Chairman William McCormick then called the meeting to order, and we opened with Art Seel leading the group in the pledge of allegiance. Following the pledge, William McCormick passed out cards for people to write on, he then instructed them to write on one card their Camporee Theme idea, number of possible attendance for the Camporee, and 2 possible activities to be seen at the Camporee. He then instructed the group to create a word and write it on the other card, pass the card to the right then write a cartoon character's name, and again pass it to the right. He then asked each to read their cards, and the question was posed where was his, and he inferred that the group was a team and that any one not doing their job would ultimately leave a gap with people wondering what was going on.

Following the activity the group then moved into Old Business and Mr. McCormick gave a recap on the 2009 Council Camporee, an update on the patches to be mailed to units, and for any constructive criticism that the group had on how they thought the 2009 Camporee went. After good comments were made about the 2009 Camporee the committee then moved into New Business.

First, they discussed the three main points, Location, Price, and Theme. The location was decided to be tabled until a site visit can be made to the Saluda Site with the other contender being Camp Barstow. The price is to be \$20 Early Bird and \$25 Regular Registration with the early bird deadline being October 28, 2009. Fee will also depend on budget needs but will not be less than the pre-mentioned price; decision will be made after budget is created. The theme was decided to be *Rediscovery*, unanimously after a discussion of multiple possible phrases of the theme. The date of the event was then brought into question by Mr. Davis, it was noted that the 1st weekend in November conflicted with a home football game for Carolina and therefore would be a conflict of interest; again a unanimous decision was made to hold the event on the 2nd weekend of November which is 12th-14th. It was also stated that the site visit to the Saluda Site would be made before the next meeting to check it out and report back for the committee to make a decision. With all New Business being accomplished the committee then moved into an Open Forum.

The Camporee Leader's Guide Draft was passed around and was tabled until more program information was established before compiling the full guide. The group then moved onto discussing the possible programs. After much debate and listing of pros and cons the committee then decided 6 to 2 with 2 abstentions to remove the possibility of a Cub Scout Program at the Camporee, with the understanding that Webelos would be allowed to attend the event with a Troop, and if Webelos den does not have a Troop to affiliate with a Troop would be chosen whom is willing to host a Webelos den. Then moved to vote on whether or not a Venturing Program would be included and the motion passed unanimously. Mr. McCormick then brought up the possibility of the Order of the Arrow Section SR-5 to hold a Pow-Wow during the day Saturday, a motion was made by Mr. McCormick to vote to include in program and was again decided unanimously to include. Committee then moved to discuss the patches and insignia for the event, it was talked about briefly with a few possible ideas thrown on the table to include something about the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts be represented on the patch in some way, shape, or form. A motion was made by Mr. McCormick to include all items of insignia that is offered for the Order of the Arrow Dixie Fellowship, motion passed unanimously. Mr. McCormick then offered up the idea of a pre-order system with ordering a few extra of each item to have in trading post at Camporee, motion passed unanimously. The committee then moved on to discuss the creation of District Sub-camps at the Camporee with the creation of a Council Chief and District Chiefs that are youth under the age of 21 to serve as coordinators to get Districts on board with coming, having spirit, and work towards earning the District of the Year and Camporee Spirit Awards. A motion was made by Mr. McCormick and the motion to create the positions and awards was passed unanimously. With no father things to discuss in the Open Forum, Mr. McCormick then moved on to discuss a few final things.

First of which was Committee Communication resources, noting that the main communications will be made through the online Yahoo Email Group that has been set-up for the committee, but if phone calls were needed they need to be made with no hesitation. Mr. McCormick then went on to discuss future meetings of the committee and they were decided to be as follows: January 21, February 16, March 25 (to decide at this meeting if meeting in April is needed and when that meeting will be), August 19, September 19 (to decide at this meeting how frequent need to meet in October). All meetings will be at 6:00pm at the Scout Office. September 1st was announced for the mailing of the 2010 Camporee Leaders Guide to Scout Leaders. Mr. McCormick then charged the group to recruit 2 more individuals to become and serve on the Camporee Committee by the next meeting. Furthermore the following major Camporee assignments were made:

1. Physical Arrangements – Art Seel to head effort
2. Program – Lorie McGraw to head effort and to recruit Mason Thomas to assist
3. Security – Allen Frierson to head until can ask and find someone better
4. Midway – to ask Don Stowe
5. Promotions – TBD
6. Insignia/Awards – Jeff Will to head effort

Other people to ask to be included on the Committee were decided as follows: Charlie Gwinn (Food Service for Staff), Kristi Hall (Trading Post), Leslie Wood (Trading Post), Rick Born (First Aid), and Don Stowe (Midway).

Next meeting will cover the following: Boy Scout Program Opportunities, a backdate schedule of what needs to be done and by when, campfire opportunities, Location decision, and presentation of some possible patch ideas (which will be decided by the March Committee Meeting).

With no other business seen, Mr. McCormick then adjourned the meeting.