

PACK 951 Committee/Planning Meeting

MINUTES

Tuesday April 13, 2010

Attendees: Jerry Andre, Rick Beardon, Lee Davisson, Bryan Michaelis, Danny Siu, Robert Nuddleman

Topics:

1. April Pack Meeting – Tigers and Bears are to receive their patches. Bears will do the flag ceremony. The pack will do the Space Derby during the meeting. Eric to make an announcement regarding the availability of funds that scouts can use for Day Camp.
2. Recruitment Night – Scheduled for May 20th during the Arroyo Seco Open House. Jerry will contact the school to make sure they know we will be there and to see if they can put an announcement on the school's sign regarding recruitment. Jerry will also contact Alexis at the Scout Council to see about getting additional signage for the event. Den Leaders should ask their scouts to wear their uniforms, or at least their Pack 951 shirts. Eric, Bryan and Lee volunteered to be in charge of setting up the recruitment night, and Rob will be available to help. Den Leaders should speak with Den parents to see if any of them are available to participate. Games and activities will be available for scouts and prospective members, such as the Space Derby, stilts, etc. Rob will try to build an air rocket launching pad for the event. The committee discussed possibly setting up tents, but there is some concern that this may cause a problem with so many children. The picture board should also be there. The committee decided to purchase compasses as an incentive to prospective members. Children that seem interested will receive a coupon that they can turn in at the May pack meeting to receive a compass. Rob will create the coupon. All potential scouts will be invited to the May pack meeting.
3. May Pack Meeting – It was decided to move the May pack meeting to May 25th so that it occurs after the recruitment night which is currently scheduled for May 20th (open house at Arroyo Seco). This will be the crossover for Tigers at Big Trees Park. Wolf books will be given to the upcoming Wolfs. Dens should bring Dutch Ovens. Eric will make an announcement during the April pack meeting. Tigers will show up early to start fires in the fire pits.
4. Annual Picnic – Scheduled for June 11th. The Bears will be in charge. It will take place at the swimming place off East Avenue. It was suggested to have games in the style of "Minute to Win It" for entertainment.
5. Day Camp – June 21st to June 25th. Den leaders should talk with their Den Parents and scouts to get as many to attend as possible. Den leaders should inform Den Parents that each child has a credit available (approximately \$60-\$65) that can be used for the camp trip. There is also financial assistance available through the SFBAC. Eric to make an announcement regarding the available credit during the April pack meeting.

6. 100th Jamboree – Handouts were provided. There are currently 22 people signed up. Since each pack can only have 1 car drive on-site to deliver equipment, Eric will take everyone’s stuff. People interested in having Eric drive their equipment to the site should meet at Arroyo Seco on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and load their stuff onto Eric’s truck. Rick will send out an announcement to all parents regarding the drop off. We have 22 people currently signed up for the Jamboree.
7. Parent Involvement – Den Leaders should speak with individual parents to try and get them involved. Eric has some ideas regarding how to increase parent involvement that will be discussed at the next meeting.
8. Pack Structure – This discussion was tabled for later discussion.
9. Other Items:
 - a. Rick volunteered to take care of the calendaring and notifications. Jerry will provide Rick with access to the Google Calendar.
 - b. Jerry volunteered to look into updating the current website. The committee discussed paying someone to update/maintain the site. There are some inexpensive solutions that could significantly increase the “viewability” and attractiveness of the site. We will hopefully have more information regarding upcoming events and past activities to increase communication among the pack.
10. May Committee Meeting – The May Committee/Planning Meeting will be on May 11th at 7:00 p.m. at Rob’s house (5134 Charlotte Way). The focus will be on planning events for the upcoming year. If possible, we’d like to get as many activities planned as possible, and appoint/accept volunteers to take charge of the various events. Den Leaders should encourage all parents to attend so that everyone can be involved.