

1st Port Coquitlam Scouts Group Committee Meeting
April 12, 2017 – Minutes

Attendees: Sheena Webber (Group Commissioner), Kiarra Murray (Chair), Rob Clayton (Group Treasurer), Darren Krell, Staci Happell (Acting Group Secretary), Rick Klopp, Darren McCrabb (Area Commissioner)

1. Scouter's Silence
2. Minutes from March Group Committee meeting (approved)
3. Finance Report – Rob Clayton
 - See separate report.
 - School renewals are due
 - Cannot change rental dates/times without losing priority in rental schedule
 - Proof of insurance required by the school district - dealt with
 - Some discussion regarding the possibility of getting prepaid credit cards to facilitate section Scouters reserving events, etc.
4. Registration – Sherri not available
 - A number of inquiries and visitors to Beavers
 - 1 new part-time Cub Scouter applying
 - Current registration fee is \$150 but shows as \$200 on online registration
 - Discussion about possibly limiting any new Cubs to those with siblings joining other sections as this section is rather full
5. Section Reports
 - a. Beavers – Staci
 - Finished building Beaver Buggies and raced them at the group rally. Built bee waterers. Upcoming is work on the Science badge and Beaverree
 - b. Cubs – Darren
 - Finished building Kub Kars and raced them at the group rally. Had a campfire during spring break. Upcoming is camp prep, canoe prep, Cuboree and a canoe trip on Lafarge Lake on May 6.
 - c. Scouts – no one available
 - Finished building Scout Trucks and raced them at the group rally.
 - d. Venturers – Kiarra
 - Escape Room adventure didn't happen. Upcoming lightweight in Squamish on May 12 and Skeeter on the May Long Weekend
6. Other Business
 - a. Fundraising
 - Bottle Drive - Some results from website with pickups between drives. Discussion of how to retrieve/store/sort them. Staci can pick up most times and Sheena is willing to offer her garage for some storage and for sorting parties.
 - Plant Sales – Approximately \$350 made - more details to come once finalized
 - Chocolates – Sheena will bring in the options in June to decide on a fall fundraiser. Discussion of some prizes for top sellers.
 - Coffee - Made \$33.25 on March sales.
 - b. 70th Birthday -
 - Only Beavers possibly available for Mayday Parade - if enough can go and if we can join with another group Beavers will carry signs celebrating our birthday
 - Have a open house/picnic/registration/party at Lion's Park to kick off the new year. Staci to reserve the shelter for Sept 2 (Aug 27 2nd choice).

- Organize committee to plan - Staci & Kiarra will gather volunteers
- c. Year End Camp
 - Sponsorship requests underway
 - If any extra funds available after sponsorship, funds to be allocated for future group activities
 - Ponder still available as a backup on June 10 if needed
 - d. Wrap-up Picnic
 - Sunday, June 25 - Staci to reserve Lion's Park shelter
 - e. Paperwork
 - PRCs - on Troop Scouter's PRC is out of date - not currently attending and efforts to resolve underway
 - f. Respect in Sports Training
 - All registered Scouters and Rovers must have it completed before Sept 1, 2017
 - Group can prepay and provide a code for those taking it
 - Course ID #6520
 - Takes approx 5 hours and is valid for 5 years
 - Transferable between youth groups - if Scouters already have it from a sports program, etc, they can enter the certificate number into the site and it will fulfill this requirement
 - Ashton will send out an email to all Scouters and Rovers with details
 - g. Website
 - Thanks button on site needs some clarification to encourage people to enter recognition for our Scouters
 - h. Scoutstracker
 - Renewal upcoming
 - Area buys bulk memberships in November, possible cost saving
 - Darren to investigate if it may be possible to get a temporary membership to bridge gap between our renewal date and area's
 - i. Recognition
 - Area Commissioner brought some recognition items in for various Scouters
 - Informed us that youth are also eligible for recognition awards for years in Scouting

Next meeting May 10 at 7:00 pm in the Mary Hill School Library