



# ADULT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

## TROOP 15 – NOVEMBER 2008

1. The next Troop Outing is the LaserTag lockout on 12/12/08-12/13/08. Trained Adult volunteers are still needed for that outing. The January 2009 outing is skiing, pricing is being determined. The February 2009 outing is winter camping/hiking. A discussion was held regarding safety and being “prepared” for winter camping/hiking. An inspection of each Scout’s winter gear will most likely be needed before departure.
2. Gerry Curry presented a list of Scouts that have not advanced in rank over the past 6 months to over a year. A discussion was held regarding the status of those Scouts and what may or may not be needed to help them advance. Of particular concern is a group of Scouts that have not advanced from Scout to Tenderfoot. John Patrick volunteered to help the SPL and PLs with that group of boys.
3. Gerry Curry sought clarification on the Scouting requirement that a Scout believe in God. It was agreed that each Scout will be asked about their belief in God at their ScoutMaster conferences and Board of Reviews. If it is not clear to the Scoutmaster and/or the Board if the Scout believes in God then the advancement should be “tabled” so that the matter can be discussed with the Scout’s parents and with the ACM. Ultimately, the matter may be brought to the District or Council. The Troop does not want such Scout advancing to an Eagle Board of Review, for example, without a clear stated belief in God.
4. John Trainor provided the year- to- date P/L. The balances will not be stated in the ACM minutes since the minutes are now published on the Troop website. Any interested Adult leader may ask Scott Bayne for a copy. Overall, the Troop is in good financial standing. John Trainor also presented a proposed budget for the 2009 Boundary Waters Expedition which is also available for review from John or Scott.
5. The Popcorn fundraiser lead by Jeff Myers and the Christmas Tree fundraiser lead by Tom McGraw were a success. As with the P/L, the amounts taken-in are considered confidential and will not be published on the web. Ron Shaw will make arrangements with the SPL so that approximately 5 Scouts help load and distribute the trees/wreaths. Debbie Jancula indicated the Scrip Orders are now available on-line and all Scouts and their parents are encouraged to place an order for Christmas!
6. A long discussion regarding the relationship between St. Francis and the Troop was held. The committee agreed that Ron Shaw and Scott Bayne will meet with Minister Mark Evans and later with St. Francis’ Trustees Committee. They will then report back at the next ACM their suggestions for what action the Troop, if any, should take to help improve relations with the Church.

**THE NEXT ACM MEETING IS 12/15/08!**