



# ADULT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

## TROOP 15 – JUNE 2009 (Second Meeting)

1. The meeting was moved to McKee Road School since the church pavilion was being used for Vacation Bible School.
2. A long discussion regarding Camp Daniel Boone was held. Shortly before leaving for Camp Daniel Boone the Troop was notified that an outbreak of the Swine Flu had occurred there. In addition, the Troop was scheduled to be in the same campsite as the Troop that had reported the occurrence of Swine Flu. Upon that news, a number of Scouts decided not to attend the Camp due to health concerns. The Troop was told a number of times the campsite would be cleaned and sanitized before its arrival. Upon arrival, there were still personal items in some tents, some trash (recyclables), standing water in certain areas, coat hangers left behind etc. After pointing this out to the Camp they agreed to move the Troop to a recently mowed set-aside area. The Camp brought in 7 platform tents which left the Troop to use over 20 tents of its own to shelter the rest of the Scouts. The new area did have water and latrines close-by. There was also concern about the High Adventure outings at Camp Daniel Boone since there were food problems and no Adult Guides. The Guides that were in-charge often did not hike with the group – leaving the Scouts to fend for themselves. It was recommended if the Troop ever goes back to Daniel Boone that it not participate in the High Adventure outings. Everyone was reminded to continue to look for the signs of Swine Flu since the gestation period is 7 days. On a positive note, the Scouts earned 193 merit badges and 40 partial merit badges. John Patrick and John Gergel will work to have the merit badges certified by the Mecklenburg County Council's office. Overall, everyone involved in Summer Camp did an excellent job under somewhat difficult circumstances!
3. After another long discussion it was decided the Troop would attend Camp Bud Schiele in 2010 since that is the preference of the Scouts and many Adults. John Patrick will contact Camp Bud Schiele as soon as possible to reserve the week of June 20-26, 2010. It was emphasized the Mecklenburg County Council could use the financial support that attending Camp Grimes would bring. The Troop will most likely attend Camp Grimes in 2011.
4. Tom MaGraw gave notice that he was stepping-down as Summer Camp Chairman. Tom and his Committee have done an excellent job with the Summer Camps over the years! Anyone interested in taking on those responsibilities should see Scott Bayne.
5. Greg Blake will be taking over the Popcorn Chair from Jeff Myers. Jeff did an excellent job with popcorn last year. Greg did popcorn for the Pack previously and has the materials for the popcorn kick-off occurring in the next couple of months.

6. The next outing is July 15, 2009 at the Whitewater Center. Sign-up will be at the next Troop Meeting. Sam Phifer will be sending out an email this week on the Whitewater Trip.
7. There was a general discussion about which Merit Badge Counselors to use, how to contact them, what the proper procedures are for Blue Cards, etc. Mike Ellis agreed to contact John Gergel to help with the organization of the Troop's Merit Badge Counselors and to help make sure they are following proper procedures when interacting with the Scouts. In that regard, everyone was reminded to obtain their Merit Badge Counselor training. Dates for which can be found on the Council's website.
8. Gerry Curry presented a "Non-Advancing Scout Report" which lists Scouts by rank who have not advanced in approximately a year or more. Gerry and John Patrick will be contacting the parents of the non-advancing Scouts to discuss why that may be happening. The matter has been discussed with Erich Jegier and the Senior Patrol/Patrol Leaders will work with those Scouts directly to see if there is anything that can be done to help them advance.

**THE NEXT ACM IS JULY 20, 2009!**