

**BSA Troop 1610
Committee Meeting
5.8.23**

**Present: Chris Bibbs, Don Hendriks, Lura Masih, Becky Bibbs, Michelle Wicke, Jeff Whitfield,
Dawn Kennedy**

Old Business: Don has always kept a binder for health forms & we have gone back to carrying them to each campout along with a list of who is attending.

Advancements: No advancements this month.

Treasurer: Current account is \$6,187.86. A good amount is earmarked for the high adventure trip.

Secretary Report: None.

Camping: The next camping trip is at Agawam with an outing at the sports complex, possibly also golfing but scouts need their own clubs. Jeff will help with trying to find enough golf clubs for the scouts.

Don Hendriks: This month the scouts will be getting ready for the end of the current year and the beginning of next year. They need to finish up with the gear room & put everything away.

5/9 - Each of the three patrols will present one summer camp & the scouts will choose which one they want for next year. They will also be narrowing down camping ideas for next year.

5/16 - Campout prep & inspecting tents for the Memorial Day campout.

5/23 - Campout prep & inspecting tents for the Memorial Day campout. Don will be in DC & Jeff will run the meeting.

5/30 - Final voting for the plan for 2023-24 & cooking one-pot meals.

In June the scouts would like to concentrate more on physical fitness:

- the pool at ROMS is available on Mondays & Thursdays at 6:00 (open swim starts at 7)
- basketball/dodgeball night at Northwood Elementary in their gym

In 2023-24 they would also like to have more scout-led meetings, get back to having each patrol lead one meeting a month, and do more service projects.

Summer camp - Most scouts have let Don know which merit badges they want to sign up for.

High Adventure - We need to plan our travel; the Wilsons are driving down but everyone else is flying.

Jeff: The Scouts have been asked to work at a pet adoption event at the church in memory of one of the church members. They would set-up, tear-down, and direct people during the event on 7/22(11:00-5:00?).

New Business: We have two scouts from Pack 1607 (Ben & Grayson) crossing over in June & Chris has suggested that they start coming to meetings now. Jeff suggested we encourage their Pack to hold the crossover earlier so the scouts can camp with us a few times before summer camp. Lura/Anil will contact Pack 1607. Scouts can still get the crossover early-bird discount for summer camp through next week.

Permission slips will be passed out tomorrow for the Memorial Day campout - first come first committed. Chris will try to hold spots for Ben & Grayson so they can get used to camping with our Troop.