

Crossroads District Committee Meeting
March 3, 2021

Attending: Mike Cargill, Rob Clark, Peter Demlein, Kathy Kaffenberger, Thom Kubicki, Matt Lacy, Bob Lombardi, Terry Richmond, Mike Romeo, Bob Schad, Adam Selsley, Bill Thieke, Pat Ward, and David Whyte.

Bob L opened meeting at 7:05pm with the Pledge, Oath, and Law. February minutes approved. Safety Moment was depression.

Consent Agenda: Bill Thieke moved, and Rob Clark seconded the provided consent agenda. Motion passed.

Training: Al Dominy reported that the percentage of position trained leaders as of 2/23/21 is 53%. Youth Protection Training amongst trained leaders is 88%. Upcoming dates of interest include a Wood Badge Course Director's Conference on 4/10, NCAP training on 4/10, and a virtual Commissioner College on 4/17 from 8:00am to 5:00pm.

Finance: Kathy Kaffenberger reported that as of 2/20/21 she and Mike Kane have secured \$3218.50 from district committee members in pledges and/or payments towards the 2021 Friends of Scouting campaign. Calls are also being made to individual units to secure dates for Friends of Scouting presentations as well as sharing with them the online Give Lively platform. Kathy also reminded all about the tiers and patch rewards for this year's Friends of Scouting gifts.

Advancement: Adam reported that the Crossroads Advancement Committee met on 2/16 and continued discussion on data points to gather. The subcommittee approved the district-level awards nomination form for unit leaders and the formation of the Shepherds, a district-level honor. Discussion continues on finding a district STEM coordinator. Eagle processes and Merit Badge Counselor approvals are progressing normally.

Popcorn & Communications: Rob reported that he, Abby, and Grey met with Trails-End to go over the data for the 2020 sale. He is also intending to script many of our campaigns and backdate relevant postings and activities to best utilize our limited free time.

Fundraising: With such a large increase in donations received since Kathy's report on the 20th, Matt noted the district's fundraising total as of tonight is \$9231, which is ahead of 2/28/2019 (\$5932) and 3/15/2019 (\$7962). Many thanks to Kathy and team for all of their hard work! Rob Clark also noted that a suggested coffee fundraiser brought up at the most recent district roundtable was given the green light and that he will be researching possibilities.

Membership: Bob Lombardi noted that there will be another council-level membership committee meeting in March. Please contact a member of the Key 3 if you are interested in participating. Matt noted that he received a phone call from an interested organization looking to sponsor Scouting. He met with them for three hours and explained how the Scouting program worked, and the group seemed excited at the possibility of starting units to serve the entire Family of Scouting. Thom and Matt noted that with the current renewal cycle happening now, we should be contacting all youth that have dropped from units to discuss their future in Scouting.

Program: Mike Cargill thanked all for their support of the Klondike Derby and mentioned that everyone in attendance was having a great time. The next Green Bar meeting will be scheduled after the completion of the Klondike. There was discussion on additional guidance that may come for camping operations now that NY guidance has become less restrictive.

Commissioners: Pat reported that the February roundtable saw better attendance and that we would continue to operate using the same model for March. There is an NYLT presentation scheduled for Scouts BSA members, an open forum with Cub Scout leaders from across the country, and (depending on time) discussion on the Longhouse Council membership plan if finalized before roundtable.

Charter Renewals: Matt noted that 14 of 17 units with February expirations have signed in to begin their renewal process, with Pack 62, Pack 152, and Pack 369 still needing to start their process. For March renewals, 5 of 13 units have begun work on their renewals, with two of those five completed and turned in to the service center. For this time of year *and* still under the effects of a pandemic, this is phenomenal work done by our unit leaders and commissioner staff!

The meeting adjourned at 7:58pm

Submitted by:
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