

## May MAWAT District Committee Minutes- May 24, 2010

Attendance: Jeff Pitts, Betsy Bagley, Brendan Turner, Bob Naples, James Salmon, Chip Reinhardt, Jose Solera, Tom Beach, Carolyn Bolles, Larry Lloyd, Jim Edergton, Heather Harden, Todd Taft, Keith Burns and Kevin Rumsey.

Guest: Nick Long

**Membership:** Betsy reported that Derwin Hunter has been sick and will try to find out how is feeling. Chip inquired about fall JSN dates, which was shared by the DE, as August 24<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, with a turn-in date of September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Chip stated that Packs should focus on Open House and meet and greet the Teachers before school starts. Additionally the school access may not change with the new DPS Superintendent. There discussion of hosting a Scout Expo at Northgate Mall at some point.

**Training:** In planning the District calendar for the next 16-18 months, Carolyn reported that Cub Specifics will be held September 18<sup>th</sup>, Baloo September 25<sup>th</sup> and Scoutmaster Specifics on March 26, 2011. As Carolyn shared the Occoneechee Council is a Pilot Program to ensure that all CM/SM/VL have the necessary training, by the end of 2010. Along with assistants and Den Leaders being fully trained by the end of 2011. There was a very lively discussion on this topic, to include units hosting their own training as long as Training guidelines are followed. More to follow.

**Camping & Outdoor Promotion:** Tom reported that the Camporee went well, and that the date and location has been determined for April 29-May 1<sup>st</sup> at Camp Campbell. Brendan inquired if a host troop or a committee has been formed. To date a camporee committee has not been formed. There was discussion of only inviting Webelos to the next Camporee not Cubs. Merit Badge College will be held November 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Order of Arrow:** Keith reported that he is working with Tom Wells, the Lodge Advisor on finding a new OA Chapter Chief. There was discussion on why Warren stepped down, with Todd responding reasons were shared at Roundtable. Warren would like to spend more time with his Cub age son.

**Activities and Civic Service:** Chip provided an update on all 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events. Chip will bring the Pinewood Derby committee back in the fold of the Activities committee. Additionally Chip will recruit COR's to become part of his committee. Lively discussion about the Flag Retirement program with the Durham VA. No resolution was reached as Nick Long suggested to a flag retirement on Veterans Day. Chip also mentioned there were other service projects by the District like Scouting for Food. Nick explained the Good Turn for America and Report to the Governor as part of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and earned a patch. Eagle Projects are included in these reports. To date the Council only has a recording of 5,000 hours of service projects. Jeff reported that the 2011 Cuboree will be held April 9-11, 2011.

**Advancement & Recognition:** Keith reported that Stewart Norman is still the chair, but life changes may cause Stewart to step down. Kevin has a candidate and will share the name with Keith. Tom stated the Annual District Awards Dinner is normally held in January, along with Merit Badge College being held on November 13<sup>th</sup>. There is a 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary Eagle Badge.

**Marketing & Public Relations:** Jose reported there are no events scheduled at this time. Materials are being developed and the Marketing committee will meet on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Jose introduced Heather Harden who is going to help with graphics. Also Chris Wilkes will be taking over for Glen of the District Website.

New Business: Carolyn provided more information on collecting the date on the top leaders being trained. With an indication that the “Honor” system will be used. This means that the clock will be ticking for Youth Protections, which can be completed on-line. Carolyn reported that there are only 53 leaders fully trained. Further discussion by all, with Nick stating that the push is coming from National, and our Council is going to be ahead of the curve. More discussion centered around HR policies on holding training. Keith advised to table the issue for now. Nick shared there will be a show prior to the Jamboree Simulcast, called “Scouts have Talent” and that MAWAT should be very involved with the event, given the event will be held at the DBAP. Additionally there is a new Lodge Chief, that is part of the Eluwak Chapter and a Scout in Troop 416, the Lodge Chief is John Taylor.

**DE:** Kevin reported that NYLT is still looking for Scouts. As per Nick Long there are 16 scouts signed up, and 24 scouts are needed for the course to occur. There is a 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary patch that can be earned or purchased for \$15.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM**