



**TROOP 153**  
Committee Meeting  
March 21, 2024  
Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Troop 153 committee was held on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> 2024. Committee Chairman Sean B. brought the meeting to order at 7:25pm with following leaders present:

Committee Members

Sean Brownyard – Chairman

Marisa Belasco – Treasurer

Jen Hoffman – Advancement Chair

Paula Santorelli – Secretary

Jen Brownyard - Community Service Liaison

Program Leaders

Craig Miller - Scoutmaster

Richard Dean – Assistant Scoutmaster

Neil Buffet – Assistant Scoutmaster

Terry Hoffman - Assistant Scoutmaster

Treasurer's Report (Marisa) via e-mail:

- Estimated Scout Year-end (Sept-Aug) Surplus of \$10 - \$750 all depending on Fishing Trip. This includes expenditures for patrol box equipment, 2 more campouts, COH expenses, Fishing expenses and Summer camp additional expense.

Scoutmaster Report (Craig, Terry, Neil, Dicky)

- Lots of requirements done at West Hills Campout including Cooking, Fire Chip, and Totin' Chip.
- Cell phones policy went well. Scouts didn't really miss them, and engaged in more physical activities.
- Meal assignments should be done 2 meetings prior to campouts. Cooking was not well planned by scouts.
- Need to make sure boys are logging camping nights in back of handbook.

Advancement Report (Jen H.):

- COH went well – Life to Eagle presentation well received.

Eagle Updates

- Andre S.
  - Eagle Application is in
  - Getting 2 more recommendation letters.
- John B.
  - Presented project to and approved by Brightwaters Board.;

- Emmett
  - Project sent to Council for approval.

#### General Discussion:

- COH – SPL and ASPLs need outlines to guide them through COH proceedings. (Jen H?)
- Life to Eagle presentation – very helpful – Maybe try to get them in every other year.
- Summer Camp – 9 Deposits in so far. Expecting at least 6 more. (If we can get to 17, a 3<sup>rd</sup> parent goes for free).
- Merit Badges – Neil to spearhead Scholarship and Reading badges with scouts who need them.
- Committee Secretary – Ms. Lawler has offered to take the roll. Committee approved.
- Patrol Boxes – Still on for Sunday 3/24 at Hoffman's – Craig will choose and purchase new equipment.
- John Miller – to serve as “informal” Eagle advisor. Committee approved.
- April Campout – SB to look into Heckscher State Park or Smith Haven. April 12-14. SB
- May Campout – Watch Hill – Fire Island May 31-June 2<sup>nd</sup>. - SB
- Troop Meeting Snacks – Schedule to be posted on website by SB.
- Next Week's Meeting is on – Need to collect Summer Camp Deposits.
- Fishing Trip – Paula/Laura to start promoting trip after next meeting.

#### Announcements –

Next Committee Meeting April 18, 2024

Meeting Adjourned at 8:03pm.