

SSC Parent Committee Meeting Agenda for November 28, 2024

Meeting Called by: SSC Executives

Location: Muir Lake Community Hall

Prepared by: Vickie Meed

Time: 7:00 pm

In attendance: Kristina Millican, Wade Poitras, Jason Kennedy, Valerie Barter, Vickie Meed, Andrea Willier, Jesse & Tara Twidale, Michelle Kincheloe, Melanie Bodnar, Teresa Gifford, Jeannine Panten, Stephanie Burton, Troy Litvinchuk, Maria Penetrante, Kristen & Jason Nesbit

1. **Called to order at 7:07 pm**
2. **Request for additions to the agenda for November 28, 2024 - CO's Report**
3. **Approval of minutes or corrections from October 3, 2024 - Jessie Twidale and seconded by Teresa Gifford**
4. **Past actions – none**
5. **CO's Report - Captain Dye**
 - When dropping Cadets off, please keep them in the vehicle until 6:30, do not leave them out in the cold, we do not have access to the school until 6:30 pm. They can wear their blue parkas with their FTU's.
 - A new promotion guideline came in. Generally it follows the same guideline until SGT. It is now kinda like a job, they can apply for an appointment. You have to apply for an appointment to get a promotion, it is not necessary on the parade square anymore, it can be off the square. SGT's are also eligible to apply. No WO's promotions were given at Wing's due to the new guidelines. A resume and cover letter needs to be done and an interview. It is all online on 365 for the Cadets to review if they are interested in a promotion. This is a big mind set change for all Cadets. They could be training, admin, etc with their new position. In the past, 755 has only done promotions once a year, now they can promote every six months with the new guidelines. This should be better for

Cadets, especially for cadets who are older when they enroll, they will see a promotion sooner.

- Be sure to be checking the calendar for date changes to Marksmanship.

6. Executive and Committee Reports

Chair Report - Kristina Millican

- Christmas Party/Potluck, this is our third year doing it, it is a family potluck, not just for cadets. On the calendar there is a google sign up sheet, it is broken up by dishes, cadet name, item you are bringing and how many will be attending. There is a good list of food items so far. A list of food allergies and food sensitivities is listed to the right side of the sign up sheet. Please do not bring any of the food allergies listed. Please have a food ingredient list with the dish you bring. Bring a drink, it has worked out well in the past years if a family brought something to drink, a case a pop or something to be shared. Please arrive around 5ish and the potluck will start around 5:30, games and dance to follow dinner. Casual dress and change of footwear to help bring the hall clean. We are asking to keep guests to immediate family members due to hall capacity. Please go see and talk to Val or Kris if you are unable to bring a dish.

Vice Chair Report - Wade Poitras

- Please get screened. Being screened is very important to participate in activities with your Cadet.

Treasurer Report – Jason Kennedy-nothing to report at this time

Fundraising Report – Valerie Barter

- Electronic Round Up date we can hold it sometime in March or the same day as the bottle drive. If you have something that takes batteries or plugs in, they will take it. A Seacan is being brought in for the items, St Thomas School or Cross Country are willing to allow us to drop the Seacan there. They just need a date to approve it. This will not be door to door, we are asking Cadets to collect their own items and bring them. Val is looking into advertising on the radio, etc to have the items dropped off by the public. Having a truck available at the bottle drive to transport items might be an option. Parents have asked to hold the bottle drive and the round up on the same day.
- Final numbers from 10 cadets from the fall bottle drive held in SG is around \$1200.
- Dog Tags was a profit of \$314
- Kick Ass Caramels are in, \$1325 profit

- Bake sale at the Dec 7 Stony Plain farmers market, please donate a baked good for us to sell. Make sure it is on a plate or container you do not want back. All items must be labeled with ingredients and noticed if it contains or may contain nuts (farmers market standards). Anything not sold will be frozen and brought to the Christmas Potluck Dinner. You can bring them Thursday evening and Val will freeze them until Saturday or bring them Saturday morning between 9-10 am to the Community Center in Stony Plain. If you would like to donate an item but cannot make either of those drop off times, please arrange an alternate time with Val.
- Spring Bottle Drive, April 27th, it will be at LHQ or the church next door, about 4 hrs and it will be rural. Val is looking for another bottle depot to use.
- 1st Aid Kits will be sold in the New Year, we are looking at a possible 50% profit. See Val if you have a company interested in a 1st Aid Kit.
- If anyone has a fundraising idea, please let Val know. She will not look at anything for less than 40% profit.
- Calendar sales are going well, less than 20 left.
- Low parent participation in fundraising activities will mean more selling, to be reevaluated in the Spring

7. **Any additional questions?** none
8. **Next SSC Parents Committee Meeting will possibly be in February, hopefully camp info will be available then.**
9. **Meeting Adjourned at 7:47 pm**