Troop 897 Committee Meeting May 9, 2023

Торіс	Discussion	Decision/Action to be Taken	Responsible
Committee Meetings	Please share any ideas you have to increase participation/engagement in these meetings. Maybe require ASM attendance at least 1x/month?	None needed	N/A
Shed	Still outstanding; may need to apply a little more pressure to get approval.	Need to contact church for in-person meeting	Mr. Riley
Swim Test	 Swim test is scheduled next week at 6 pm, in lieu of regular meeting. Mrs. Marshall has obtained a lifeguard. All Scouts attending any swim trips must take test; it's recommended but not required for Adults. There will be no Skills/Board Reviews at that event. It hasn't worked well in the past. 	Need lifeguard to bring credentials to the event	Mrs. Marshall
Group Texts	We use Remind; remind parents they need to accept the invitation. Mrs. Marshall sent a message successfully earlier this week.	None needed	N/A
Contact List	New Scout contact list is out; updating as additional information comes in to ensure everyone is included and information is accurate.	Will continue to update as needed	Mrs. Marshall
Roundtable Update	 Mr. Holloman taking over as Roundtable Chair. Recruitment is a focus. Mr. Sos gave a great presentation. Good opportunity to network; there is interest among troops in doing things together. 		
Adult Leadership	 BSA will increase fees effective January 1 Insurance \$30/youth, \$15/adult BSA Fee \$75/youth, \$45/adult Effective September 1, any adult who attends any overnight trip must be registered as an "adult participant" in the troop. Requires application, fee payment and background check. Need to start communication and collection of applications now. No fee for Merit Badge Counselors. 	Need additional discussion of how & when to communicate, and whether there are fundraising options to cover adult cost.	Mrs. Marshall
	Succession – Cycling, Personal Fitness, Troop Secretary positions vacating soon	Mrs. Marshall has candidates in mind	Mrs. Marshall
Facebook Page	Need to improve security. It used to be a closed group, but FB changed its policy and it must be open. There may be another kind of group that allows an Admin to monitor membership.	Will check with Cub Troops, as they have more restricted group pages	Mr. Sos
Troop Leaders	Youth leader requirements are posted on the web site. Meeting attendance tracker is available to Scouts via Google drive. We need to ensure newly elected Youth leaders understand what's required of them.	None needed.	N/A
Upcoming	 Eagle Courts of Honor – Cam and James ScoutMaster Conferences – Ashton and Nick Beach trip – June 2 through 4, details will be sent this week. Court of Honor – June 5 	Will need church AV tech to set up presentation	

 Summer Camp – payments due May 22. There will be a packing Q&A during an upcoming meeting. Adults need physical if they will be in attendance longer than 72 hours. 	Reminder to get physicals	
 Northern Tier – CPR training is complete, conservation hours pending. We have open spots for 2 Scouts under age 18; will make available to Troop 1829. 		

Respectfully submitted, Karen Bobrovsky