# 18<sup>TH</sup> Edmonton Scout Group Executive Meeting Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2003 at 7.45p.m.

Present: Paul Symons Chairman/Quartermaster

Lilian Cooper GSL Rob Bruce Treasurer

Ian Kirby Toni Scott Sue Bateman Richard Clark Keith Kimber Brenda Kennedy

Lucy Bragg Secretary (from item4)

#### 1. Welcome and Introduction.

Paul welcomed everyone to the meeting particularly the new members and hoped that all would work well together for the benefit of the group.

# 2. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Pat Powell and Sally Symons. Absent - John Jewson.

# 3. Minutes of Last Meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> April were agreed and signed by the Chairman as being a correct record.

#### 4. Matters Arising

- 4.1 Lucy Bragg agreed to be put forward for the position of secretary and was accepted.
- 4.2 A cheque was due to be presented to A.S.S.E.R.T. at the AGM however they were unable to have a representative present. It was agreed to do this at the Scout Anniversary on the first Sunday in November. Currently there is £300 approx. from the money raised on the Sponsored Walk
- 4.3 Two Go Pack Benches have been purchased at a cost of £120.

## 5. Group Scout Leaders Report

## 5.1 Beaver scout Colony

There are currently 12 beavers in the pack and 6 possibles. There is still a vacancy for a leader, which means that Pat will be reliant on the assistance of the parents at the meetings.

5.2 Cubs are still doing very well and there are now 30+ boys in the group. An additional leader would benefit the pack due to the large number of boys.

5.3 Scouts have 9 boys in the troop and 8 are going to camp.

# 6 Health And Safety.

6.3 No accidents have been reported since the last meeting.

6.4 Sue Batemen recommended that safety goggles be purchased for use by the scouts when the are chopping wood at camp.

It was agreed to purchase 2 pairs.

Action I Kirby

#### 7 Finance

7.3 Rob Bruce presented current status of the bank accounts. Currently there is £4,271 in a savings account. £1,029 was paid out for van repairs and £1,055 for the scout trip to Sherwood Forest. Camp account for Sherwood to be received from GSL when all contributions received.

A cheque has been received from the inland revenue for £800 with respect to the Gift Aid Scheme. Subscriptions have been received totalling £1,045 (£55 per boy).

It was decided that Rob Bruce would investigate the rationalisation of the various bank accounts. Action Rob Bruce

Budget Allocations were agreed at £20 per boy for the next year. There should be a maximum of £150 in each troops account at any one time excluding camp fees. Paul is to send treasury guidelines to all executive members.

Action P Symons

#### 8 Resources

The van and minibus expenses are to be reviewed for the last financial year to include private and scout use. This information will then be used to decide on future options. Ian Kirby agreed to assist in the collection of data for this report.

Action P Symons/I Kirby

8.2 The following additional items were requested by the Quartermaster and agreed by the committee:-

4 foldaway Tables £80

1 Flagpole £80

3-man Hike Tents£120 (£30 each for 4)

Fire grids / Grills - Kevin to make some.

Fire Blanket

Action K Bird / I Kirby / P Symons

Group T-shirts.

Scouts have requested navy polo shirt rather than the traditional red.

20 to be purchased with an all white logo

Beavers and cubs will retain the round neck red t-shirt. 3 dozen in the middle sizes to be purchased.

Action L Cooper

Car stickers are to be costed by Paul to raise the profile of the group.

Action P Symons

# 9 Fund Raising.

- 9.3 £100 was raised at District Fete.
- 9.4 Haringey District Fete will be booked for JPD on 12<sup>th</sup> July.
- 9.5 It was decided not to book Town Show but investigate the possibility to attend the Raglan School Fete instead. The possibility of taking out a quarter page advertisement in the Raglan Fete Program was also agreed.

A £200/£300 contribution needs to be raised for church funds and it was agreed that a quiz night will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> November.

Rob Bruce is to investigate the possibility of receiving a pound for pound charity contribution from Barclays Bank.

# 10.Annual General Meeting

Generally the idea of the children performing at the AGM was well received though it was felt less beavers on stage for each part would have worked better. A PA system would ensure the people at the back could hear and some members beleived flag break should have been performed.

#### 11 Recruitment

The committee discussed at length the shortage of leaders in the Group. Paul felt that leader and helper recruitment was a long process in which all leaders and committee members needed to participate. Brenda Kennedy said she would speak to Steve Palmer as she felt he might be interested in helping.

# 12. Family camp

It was agreed that this should take place in September on 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> either *at Well End or Frith Grange?*?

## 13.Any other Business

- 13.1 Lillian advised that she had received an application to admit a girl who wished to transfer from another group into the Cubs. It was agreed that there were no objections in principle to girls being allowed into the group but the final decision would be with GSL and the leaders.
- 13.2 Toni Scott is to arrange for scout activities be included in the Church Newsletter.
- 13.3 Keith Kimber is to investigate the possibility of running a race night at Bush Hill Tennis Club.
- 13.4 Rev Ian Anderson (Group Chaplin) has requested that church parade be held on the second Sunday of the month. This was agreed except for November when it is the Scout Anniversary service.

Keith Kimber requested that we bring back the recognition of Remembrance Sunday. It was pointed out that the Group did join the District at the Edmonton parade last year.

13.5 Brenda Kennedy requested that the leaders be thanked for their commitment to the group. Paul agreed to pass this on on behalf of the Committee.

# 14 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2003 at 7.45pm in the Church Hall.