

- Review agenda; changes, additions, or omissions.
- Financial.
 - \$370 NOLB cheque received from council.
 - \$25 kept from Winter Adventure to cover group incurred expenses.
 - Additional NOLB submission made.
 - \$5,600 Trillium grant received for replacement tents.
 - We have met the 70% retention level and will be getting ~\$735 back from council in the next month.
 - Potential Venturer that would require significant subsidisation.
 - We will need ~\$1,100 for spring registration of leaders; registration cost (\$1,600) minus spring collected group fee (\$500).
 - Cheque approvals:
 - \$375.00 to NOLB recipient (paid).
 - \$5,725.50 to Scouts Canada for registration (paid).
 - \$178.43 to Alex Beelich for banquet food.
 - \$54.47 to Alex Beelich for award engraving.
 - \$33.25 to Scouts Canada for a new Beaver registration (paid).
 - \$25.00 to Jamie Forsyth for banquet PA system rental (paid).
 - \$214.70 to Allan Yates for stove & griddle bag repairs.
 - \$22.55 to Allan Yates for lantern mantles across all propane and white gas lanterns.
 - \$11.97 to Allan Yates for stamps.
 - \$159.58 to Allan Yates for historical Scout photo scanning a couple of years ago.
- Quartermaster.
 - Equipment insurance.
 - Duffel bags purchased for snowshoes through Venturer Winter Adventure event.
 - Replacement tarp for area marquee brought back from Ogdensburg. Venturers covered The UPS Store charges (\$8.70).
 - Trillium grant must all be spent on replacement tents. Minimum ten Scout/Venturer tents required. Tentatively MSR Mutha Hubba. We could possibly get a screen tent as well.
 - Repaired stove and griddle bags received back from Brebner Sewing. Velcro pouch added to bags to hold wrench for propane connection. Still need to re-attach wheels.
 - Canyon canoe repairs in progress. Cost being covered by Venturers.
 - Cottager canoe repairs scheduled for April with Venturers. Group to cover cost.
 - Alex booking Cottager canoes/PFDs/throw bags/bailers/paddles/painters for May 28-30 Valley Highlands area camp at Mississippi Lake.
 - Alex booking Kub Kar track for April 10 for Valley Highlands' area races.
 - Do we need any extra equipment (stoves, barrels, tents, etc) to support the simultaneous Scout/Venturer summer canoe trips?
- Printer cartridges need to be shipped from the Scout room. It appears we have enough to make it worth while.
- Banquet review.
 - Lots of energy, Beavers/Cubs had fun, plenty of food, ~130 people in attendance, displays added atmosphere, pioneering structure a hit.
 - More coordination needed between agenda and leaders. The dry run we highlighted last year! More decorations and table centre pieces would be nice.
- Phoenix article content.
 - Send to Allan by the 10th of the month if you have input.
 - Especially need to know the Cub activities.

1st Merrickville Group Committee
 March 25, 2010 Agenda

- Registration
 - One new Beaver in Friendfest; actually returning from last year.
 - PRCs needed for Sheila, Robert, and Allan.
 - Scouts Canada registration fee for 2010/11 same as this year: \$115 spring, \$130 fall. Keep same group fee, \$40, as this year? Just pays for leader registration.
 - Spring registration due Friday June 11? After spring camps.
 - Group charter renewal forms set to Legion for signature.

- Training
 - Frank Vena needs to take Woodbadge I Colony; already on training probation and thus will be fired by Voyageur council shortly.
 - Dave Smith needs to take Woodbadge I Troop.
 - First aid courses needed by: Alex, Sheila, Stew, Amanda, Bob, John, Frank, Vic, Dave

- Pitch-in Canada
 - Week of April 19-22. Everybody on same day?

- Colony report.
- Pack report.
- Troop report.
 - From Alex "I believe Merrickville's Troop, Pack and Colony are planning to participate in the Valley Highlands Scout Truck/Kub Kar/Beaver Buggy event on April 10th. This event will be held at the County Fair Mall in Smiths Falls. We have been donated the use of a store and area out front for the day."

- Venturer report.

- Next group committee meeting...

Financial Update

bank balance (includes in-trust funds)	\$ 7,893
minus short term commitments	
in-trust funds	\$ 482
tents	\$ 5,600
equals current available amount	\$ 1,811
short term receivables	
retention refund	\$ 735
future costs	
Leader spring registration	\$ 1,100
insurance (estimate)	\$ 1,000

in-trust funds	
Venturer	\$ -
Scout	\$ 275.39
Cub	\$ -
Beaver	\$ 206.30
total in-trust	\$ 481.69