

Council Venturing Committee Minutes
Council Service Center 7:00 PM
July 16, 2008

Attendance: Bob Chisholm, Robert Drew, Dennis Hunt, Doris McCarthy, Lory Walker.

Opening: The meeting was called to order by Chair Doris McCarthy at 7:00 PM in Atherton Hall, Camp Balboa. Introductions were given around the room, and the agenda distributed.

Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting were approved as sent by email.

Committee Reports:

Teen Leader Council. Melissa and Mackenzie Lardie absent:

- The minutes of the last TLC meeting were read as sent by email. Crews 7, 959, and 970 represented at the meeting held on June 22. The Rendezvous/Awards Night, scheduled for Aug 22-24 at the YAC, was discussed and planning continued. The fee is \$20.00, they are planning for night kayaking on Saturday and a 20 mile bike ride around the bay. No information regarding the time of the dinner and awards presentations on Saturday.
- A TLC Movie Night is planned for November 16 at Camp Balboa and the Broomball is scheduled for December at the San Diego Ice Arena.
- Lory Walker reported on the Venturing Camp Week held at the YAC from June 30-July 5. Her Crew, Crew 320, was the only Crew in attendance and they had a really good time, with opportunities to go sailing, motor boating, and wind surfing. They also worked on First Aid, lashings, Wilderness Survival, and a conservation project, with a good start toward earning the Bronze Award, in addition to earning Honor Unit and Delta Patrol. She reported that the staff was great, and even the National President was present during the week.

Sea Scouts. Mike Philbrook: no new report

LDS Relationships. John Davies reporting by email:

- A reminder of the Venturing Forum and Varsity Huddle in the Black Mountain District, held at the LDS Penasquitos Stake Center, the 3rd Thursday of odd months (every other month), with the next one scheduled for Sept. Also at the Vista Stake Center for the Santa Margarita District on the 2nd Thursday of every other month (even months), and the next one is scheduled for Aug 14. Both are posted on the Venturing web site.
- Venturing youth are invited to attend the Varsity Mountain Man Rendezvous at MSR on Sept 19. Coed Crews need to contact Barry Baker or John Davies in advance. They are also looking for staff.

Training. Greg Morris absent:

- A flyer is out for Venturing Leader Specific training in Vista on Sat, Sept 6, with John Davies and Tedd Theodore coordinating, at the LDS Stake building at 451 W. Bobier Dr. Fee is \$6.00. The information is posted on the web site.

Advancement/Recognition. Dennis Hunt reporting:

- Venturing Leadership Award applications are due Aug 1. The awards are on order through the Scout Shop.

Communications. Jeff Barnes, Web Master.

- Check out all the recent changes in information on the Venturing web site. Please send reports of Crew activities and photos to Jeff to be posted.

District Reports:

- The annual unit planning packets are out and can be obtained from your Unit Commissioner or D.E. The new planning calendars are out also for 2008-2009.
- The Heartland District Roundtable Commissioner will start having 15 minute discussions regarding Venturing activities and training opportunities.

Staff Partner. Max Cutrone (absent):

- Max Cutrone is out of town for training.

Open Forum:

- A discussion was held regarding holding a council-sponsored Kodiak course, possibly based at the YAC with day excursions. Several suggestions were made for the best time of year to hold such an event. The December Christmas break was suggested with possibly a Mon-Tues-Wed schedule. Several Committee members are qualified to teach the course, and Doris will be attending the Regional Kodiak Course Directors Conference. She will contact the Training D.E. for council approval and contact unit leaders to ascertain interest and suggestions.

Adjourned: 8:15 PM.

Next meeting: The next meeting will be held at the YAC on Saturday August 23 at 5:30 PM (Venturing Rendezvous)

Recorder: Doris McCarthy