

San Diego-Imperial Council BSA – Venturing Committee

**Council Venturing Committee Minutes  
November 19, 2008, Atherton Hall**

Attendance:

John Davies, Robert Drew, Paul Dugas, Leonard Fry, Dennis Hanon, Dennis Hunt, Stan Miller, Steve Stone, Tedd Theodore and Rachel Boxleitner

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Chair Stan Miller called the meeting to order at 7pm.

OPEN DISCUSSION. The members were asked what they believe to be the mission of the Venturing Committee. The responses were recorded on flip chart and there will be further discussion on this topic at December meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

INTRODUCTIONS / VENTURING POSITION. At this first meeting for new Committee Chair, introductions were made and the individual preferences for service on the Committee were discussed. Chair acknowledged and welcomed Rachel Boxleitner, the new Staff Partner for the Venturing program and committee.

COUNCIL VENTURING PROGRAM.

Kodiak - December 22-23 and 29-31, 2008, Youth Aquatic Center. In addition to Doris McCarthy as Course Director, Dick Kelly will be the lead instructor and thus far there are sufficient youth registrations to form the first course-crew. Committee members were encouraged to continue to promote this event. (Report by S. Miller) <http://venturing.sdicbsa.org/Forms/kodiak08.pdf>

Ski/Snow Board Treks – Jan 25 and Feb 8, 2008, Big Bear <http://venturing.sdicbsa.org/Forms/bigbear09.pdf>

TEEN LEADER COUNCIL (TLC). The following is a sample of discussion items at November TLC meeting: TLC officer elections will be held at the next TLC meeting; Discussed moving Dec TLC meeting a week earlier to 12/14 due to Christmas (subsequent to Venturing Committee meeting confirmed by M. Lardie that TLC moved date to 6PM Sunday Dec 14); Joan Kroc Center is being considered for the Broom Ball event; Discussion of idea for astronomy campout at Palomar or Mission Trails; A VLSC planned for most likely May 2009; (Report by P.Dugas & S. Miller)

YOUTH TRAINING. See TLC above.

ADULT TRAINING. Recent VLST courses held Sept in Vista and Nov in Heartland went very well. Decision was made to hold a VLST training on a weekday evening at Atherton in 1<sup>st</sup> quarter next year. S.Miller will take the lead on this training and S.Stone, D.Hunt, P.Dugas, R.Drew and J.Davies expressed willingness to assist with this training. A Sat. or Sun. VLST course will be scheduled in the Spring.

VENTURING FORUMS. J.Davis confirmed the following schedules: Black Mountain, 7pm, 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday odd months, Penasquitos; Santa Margarita/Vista, 7pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday even months. The Venturing Committee will be looking at promoting the creation of additional Forum(s).

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SEA SCOUTS. Ship 23 is in the formation stage and will have a representative(s) on the Venturing Committee.

RECOGNITION: YOUTH AWARDS/ADULT AWARDS. Dennis Hunt will continue with Awards/Recognition. A future topic for discussion will be promoting increased pursuit of awards by Venturing youth.

KEY ALLIANCES. Ideas were suggested by committee members for additional alliances as sources for future growth of Venturing in SDIC. Examples where alliances could be formed: Kroc Center, Elks Club, Salvation Army, and forming possible alliances with Learning for Life and Exploring. Additionally, John Davies will continue to serve as liaison for LDS alliance,

REGIONAL & NATIONAL. S. Stone reported on the recent successful adult training in Arizona. A future slate of instructor qualification courses for Kodiak, Powderhorn, NYLT will be held in Utah in March, 2009.

COMMUNICATIONS /WEB SITE <http://venturing.sdicbsa.org/index.shtml>. Committee entertained the idea of adding all active crews and ships meeting times to the Venturing website

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Program opportunities need to be made more public such as via a link on the venturing website.

Varsity Scouts have program opportunities that can include venture crews.

NEXT MEETING: December meeting date to be **SUNDAY, December 14, 6:55pm** (Atherton Hall). This will enable us to assemble for our meeting near the end of the TLC meeting. This will be an opportunity for the Venturing Committee to express appreciation to the youth leaders for all they have done for the Venturing program this past year and also for the TLC president to provide the December TLC report directly to the Venturing Committee. Chair requested that all Committee members who have uniforms wear them for this December meeting.

MEETING ADJORNED at 8pm.

Minutes prepared by R. Boxleitner and S. Miller



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