

River City District Committee Meeting

Minutes
May 6, 2008

Attendees: Ricci D., Don D., Spencer W., David K., Randal C., Eddie B., Rob G., Donn M., Carlos P., Justine K., MarryLee C., and Marie M.

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance, Welcome, Introductions and Recognitions**

Ricci made an announcement that the Council received the Quality Council award.

Eddie made an announcement that Jim P. wife is having medical issues. A card will be passed around at Round Table.

Don D. reported that Frank T. will undergo surgery in the near future.
3. **Minutes of last meeting** – The minutes were reviewed and approved
Carlos suggested sending out the minutes and agenda for the District Committee meetings to the District e-mail list or the possibility of giving folks a link on the Web site for the posted agendas and minutes. Carlos will explore these two options.
4. **Reports from Operating Committees**
 - a. **District**
 - Nominating Committee – Ricci
 - Focus on Unit Commissioners: Include 8 or 9 names of former Scouts and looking back five years for registered individuals. Rob recommended going back only one year instead of five.
 - We have been unsuccessful in our recruitment efforts in the last few years.
 - Volunteer Recruitment – presentations or troop leaders committee?: bring five big units together to discuss district committee openings. Target specific units: Troops 1 and 136. Also target Packs. Committee should go to the units and distribute the Committee organization chart.
 - b. **Finance - Carlos, Eddie B. and Ricci**
 - Friends of Scouting – Carlos & Ricci
 - Report on Family Campaign: Handout distributed
 - 2008 FOS Presentation Tracking Journal – Ricci
 - Presentations Report – Eddie: Presentations still need to be made at Troop 8, and Packs 128 and 259.
 - Mailing – 1,290 letters: Ricci D. reported that the letter campaign has been successful.
 - Report on Community Campaign – David: Handout
 - New member: Jim C.
 - 50 letters mailing
 - Report on Leadership Campaign – Ricci
 - Popcorn Sales – Ricci
 - Justine K. reported that there will be a seminar for District Kernals on June 7th. On June 17th there will be a one-hour seminar for Unit Kernals from 6:30 to 7:30 - before Round Table. The Council seminar scheduled for June 14th has been

cancelled. Some Units use popcorn money as seed money for the next fund raiser.

c. Unit Service – Ricci

- At the District Operations meeting the Centennial Quality Unit video was shown. A question was asked if this can be shown at Round Table.
- District Commissioner's Report & units needing special assistance: Some units need to be contacted because they need assistance.
- Upcoming Roundtables – Merry Lee: Handout
 - Ricci described Round Table training for adults in Packs that will be held August 12th
- Other Unit Service business

d. Membership – Ricci

- Membership report: Various procedures can be used to promote Scouting – flyers, posters, peer on peer discussions, etc.
- The District has tremendous ability to grow
- Don D. suggested we reach out to school teachers as a resource for increased membership.
- Other Membership items: The Membership position still needs to be filled.

e. Program - Carlos

- Program Chair position vacant, report on recruitment efforts – Carlos
 - Rob G. indicated he would assist the Program Chair when possible.
- Order of the Arrow report – Ricci: The Peen Sew Chapter of OA (River City District) will merge with RDO's OA Chapter.
 - There should be OA elections next year.
 - RCD's OA needs to take the lead for Camporee in 2009.
 - Training for the OA Advisor position is recommended. The individual selected must be a member of OA. Ricci will send information to MerryLee.
- 2008 District Events
 - Camporee – April 18-20
 - Other District Events
 - Overdrive was briefly mentioned
 - Webelos Woods will be held the last week in September
 - A calendar will be available at the next Round Table
- 2008 Council Events – Ricci
- Report on Training events – Donn: Training has been successful. The next training will be on October 4th. The outdoor portion will be October 24th and 25th. Commission training will be on October 18th. Balloo training will be soon.
- Other Program activities: District organization chart needs to be updated
 - A Cub Master is needed
- RCD Adult Recognition Dinner – A Silver Bear nomination has not been submitted as yet. Twelve nominations have been received. Marie will send information to Troop 50 for award recipients for their Troop in the last 5 years. Marie will also send an e-mail about the

dinner and an extension of the due date for nomination forms. Donn M. will be the dinner Master of Ceremonies. Eddie B. will receive his Woodbadge beads at the dinner.

5. **District Executive's Report – Ricci**
 - Program Preview: A demonstration of this was/will be done at the Commissioners Cabinet.
 - Other items: Bin items ordered for leader appreciation day have been received and will be distributed.
6. **Once Around** – final comments/questions from each attendee: The Merit Badge counselor list needs to be updated.
7. **Next Meeting: 7:30 P.M. Tuesday, June 3, 2008**
8. **Closing ceremony – Scout Oath/adjournment at 9:00 P.M.**