18th Edmonton Scout Group Executive Meeting Monday 15th September 2008 at 8.00p.m.

Heather McIsaac-Hall (HMH) Present:

Chair Paul Symons (PS) **GSL** Rob Bruce (RB) Treasurer Richard Clark (RC) Secretary

Jan Ballett (JB) Barbara Barnicoat (BB) Sue Bateman (SB) Mary Bird (MB) Paul Boulter (PB) Dave Edwards (DE) Nicola Headland (NH)

Ian Kirby (IK)

Raymond Prentice (RP)

Brenda Kennedy (BK)

0.	Welcome HMH welcomed RP to his first meeting, and he was introduced to everybody.	
1.	Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from Lucy Bragg (LB), Shan Gerrard (SG) and Sally Symons (SS).	
2.	Minutes of the Last Meeting The minutes of the meeting held on 9 th June 2008 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as being a correct record.	
3. 3.1	Matters Arising PS reported that: • Sale of band equipment has raised £450 to date, with more money to come. • Katelyn Edwards has still to decide how to spend her Jack Petchey award. • The new Behaviour Policy is now in use. • He had now obtained car window stickers.	
3.2	PS stated that one child was being assisted with subscriptions.	
4.	Health & Safety There have been no serious incidents since the last meeting.	
5. 5.1	Resources PS reported that the minibus MOT was due in October. The speedometer is broken on the van, and the door catch is still broken on the minibus.	
5.2	In the absence of a Quartermaster, PS reported that he had no requests for purchases. He had bought a barbecue, the cost of which would be allocated to Family Camp expenditure.	

6.	Policy Review	
6.1	 The Safety Policy was reviewed, and the following change was agreed: An amendment to make it clear that the Policy applies to non-uniformed as well as uniformed adults. 	PS
	Next review date will be September 2009.	
	MB stated that the Church would be bringing out its own Safety Policy shortly, and that she would pass this onto HMH.	МВ
6.2	 The Child Protection Policy was reviewed, and the following changes were agreed: An amendment to make it clear that the Policy applies to non-uniformed as well as uniformed adults. A bullet should be added specifying that adults must ensure they have read and understood the "Yellow Card". (Formal title: "YOUNG PEOPLE FIRST. Child Protection – A code of good practice".) Next review date will be September 2009. 	PS
7.	Events Review	
7.1	Bridge Walk (Sunday 13 th July) It was agreed that this had been a very enjoyable event, and that the Group should look to hold this event every three years. £86 net profit has been made to date.	
7.2	Raglan School Fete (Saturday 28 th June) PS reported that Jackpot Dice had raised £99, as the School had kindly allowed us to retain more than 50% of the takings. The stall had been short-staffed for part of the period, and PS will look into obtaining a board to protect the back of the stall.	PS
	RP said that it had been very useful having the children help set everything out the night before, and that he would like this to happen again next year. The Group agreed that it would attend this event again in 2009.	
	[PB arrived.] [SB arrived.]	
8. 8.1	Events Planning Family Camp, Theobalds Park (Friday 19 th September – Sunday 21 st September) PS reported that the van had been loaded, and the weather forecast was good. PS added that on the flyer he had produced he had specified a 10.30pm bedtime for children, and that quiet after 11.00pm is the site rule.	
8.2	Anniversary Service (Sunday 2 nd November) PS said that he would liaise with the Church re organisation of the Service. PS felt that presentation of the year awards should take place during this Service, but not presentation of nights away awards. He added that expenditure on flowers needed to be agreed.	PS
	PS asked for volunteers to serve refreshments. JB offered to help.	ALL
	[NH arrived.]	

8.3	Pantomime – Robinson Crusoe (Friday 5 th December) SB will be organising tickets for this event, in which a member of the Group will be performing. The Group will be sitting upstairs.	
9.	Any Other Business PS reported that the Group had two leaders either warranted or in the process of being warranted within each section, with the arrival of Jane Topping as Assistant Beaver Scout Leader. PS added that the Group should now be looking to bring this number up to three in each section, and emphasised that recruitment must be a continuous activity.	
	Formal thanks were recorded to Calum Kennedy for his help with Beavers.	
	Re the Church Mini Bazaar on Saturday 4 th October, MB stated that the Church would be setting up at 8.00am. She asked if the Scouts could put out tables the night before, then help put these away at 12.00pm after the bazaar had finished.	
	RC passed round a card that he had received from Lilian, thanking us for the Group's gift.	
	RC stated that Saturday afternoon football would be resuming on 27 th September. The Explorers who have been playing regularly for many years are welcome to come and help, but are now too big to participate in a full active manner. RC hopes to see new faces amongst the Cubs, as otherwise numbers are likely to be very low. PS will speak to SS to see if RC can attend the Cubs meeting on 26 th September to advertise Saturday football, and also to discuss the possibility of running a football event at a Friday evening meeting.	PS
	RB said that the Company Mandate for the Current bank account would need re-signing.	
	MB thanked the Group for the support it had provided to the Church.	
	SB will be contacting Assert to get updated details and collateral, as Assert is changing its address and telephone number.	SB
	PS will contact Waitrose re bag packing at Christmas.	DG
	The Group agreed with PS's suggestion of making a presentation to Pat Powell at the Anniversary Service. PS passed round a catalogue and suggested that one of the Scouting gifts on pages 21-22 might be appropriate. IK took the catalogue and will speak with Pat's husband, Alan, to ascertain the most appropriate gift.	PS IK
	It was agreed that the Group would no longer send out Christmas Cards.	
	PS stated that he needs more stewards for the Fireworks Evening at the Town Park on Saturday 1 st November.	ALL
0.	Date of Next Meeting Monday 10 th November 2008 at 8.00pm in the Garden Room.	