

**18th Edmonton Scout Group Executive Meeting
Monday, 7 April 2003 at 7.45 p.m.**

*Present:	* Mr Paul Symons	-	Chairman/Quartermaster
	* Mrs Lilian Cooper	-	GSL
	* Mr David Lo	-	Treasurer
	Vacancy	-	SL
	Mr Peter Duffy	-	VSL
	Mrs Sally Symons	-	CL
	* Mr Ian Kirby	-	ACL
	Mrs Pat Powell	-	BL
	Mr John Jewson	-	Transport Manager
	Mr Ron Morey	-	Subscription Manager
	Vacancy	-	Fundraising Organiser
	Ms Toni Scott	-	Beaver representative
	* Ms Anna Bruce	-	Cub representative
	* Mrs Sue Bateman	-	Scout representative
		-	Church representative
	Vacancy	-	Venture representative
	* Mrs Glennis Barnes	-	Secretary

1. Apologies:

Apologies were received from Pat Powell, Sally Symons, Toni Scott, John Jewson and Ron Morey. Anna Bruce would be arriving later.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 February 2003 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3. Matters Arising

Lilian said that it was hoped that the flags would be put back in the church near to the new entrance.

4. Group Scout Leaders Report

4.1 Beavers:

The committee were told that the Beavers needed a new leader as Sharon was leaving. A written report was received from Pat. The Beavers have been following a busy programme recently. A number took part in the Sponsored Walk and all did extremely well. 5 boys are doing their link with Cubs and 4 have gone up to Cubs. There should be approx. 15/16 boys in the colony by the Summer.

4.2 Cubs:

The Cubs are doing very well, so much so that there may soon be too many of them!

4.3 Scouts:

Lilian said that the Scouts would be meeting on 25 April before St George's Day. They were taking part in the 6 a side football and were going away with the Cubs in May. She would be sorting out a programme for them before Summer Camp.

Anna joined the meeting at this point.

5. Health and Safety

No accidents had been reported since the last meeting.

6. Finance

David Lo presented a current balance sheet. He said that £1,029 also needed to be included which was paid out for the servicing and MOTs for the two buses. He said that the problems with the bank accounts had now been sorted out. Paul said that from April any subscriptions to the Group would be covered under the Gift Aid scheme.

David asked whether the Group's accounts needed to be independently audited before the AGM. Lilian said she would find out the current situation, but it was felt that this was a requirement. *Action: GSL*

7. Resources

7.1 Transport Report:

As mentioned above the buses have recently been serviced and MOTd.

7.2 Quartermasters Report:

There was nothing to report at present.

7.3 Microphone/PA System

Ian said he had located a tape player which appeared to cover all the requirements mentioned. The price was £149. It was agreed that he should purchase it.

Action: Ian Kirby

7.4 Car Stickers

Paul said he had been investigating car stickers from a local company called Fastsigns. They could supply them in one colour (red) and no Scout logo for 50p each. After a short discussion it was decided that Paul would ask them if it was possible to supply them for £1 or less with the logo. If this was possible then it was agreed that he would order them.

Action: Chairman

7.5 Ramney Island

The Chairman said that some of the committee would know Ramney Island as it was used as a checkpoint and finishing point on the sponsored walk. At present it is rented by the 7th Edmonton, and they have decided it is too expensive to continue alone. They have asked if a consortium of groups would be willing to take it over. Four groups, 10th, 4th, 18th and the 7th have been asked if they would join together. He said that there was some work that needed to be done, but that it was within easy reach for a Friday evening camp and would give the boys good experience of scouting techniques. The rent is approx. £500 per year and insurance approx. £150. This would mean an outlay of approx. £200 per group per annum. There were a number of questions that needed to be answered, for example: how long is the lease, how much are the water and electric bills? It was agreed that Paul should investigate this further and report back to the next committee meeting. *Action: Chairman*

7.6 T Shirts

Paul said that he felt that the T shirts purchased by the Group should be given to helpers and those who would use them, rather than being loaned when necessary. This was agreed.

8. Fundraising

8.1 Town Show

This due to be held in September. It was agreed that space should be booked for JPD, if the fee for the two days was no more than £50. *Action: Chairman*

8.2 District Fête - 10 May

This will be held at Eldon School. It was agreed that JPD would be run and possibly another game. Help will be needed on the day to run the games.

9. AGM

This will be held on Friday, 9 May. The Chairman said that there were four people who would be joining the committee: Keith Kimber, Richard Clark, Lucy Bragg and Brenda Kennedy. Toni Scott would be Church Representative. Entertainment from the Beavers and Cubs will be organised for the evening. It was suggested that the boys should present a chronological report of the year. Lilian said she would talk to Sally and Pat.

Action: GSL

Ian Kirby said he would be responsible for refreshments, tea and cakes would be offered. A cheque will be presented to this year's charity: A.S.S.E.R.T. (which helps those with Angelman's Syndrome).

10. Any Other Business

10.1 Family Camp

There had been some interest from parents in attending a family camp. It had been suggested that this would be organised instead of going to the District Cub Camp. It was agreed that this was a good idea and Paul and Lilian said they would look into it further.

Action: GSL and Chairman

11. Date of Next Meetings

- 9 June
- 8 September
- 3 November

Signed: Date: