

18TH Edmonton Scout Group Executive Meeting Monday 8th September 2003 at 7.45p.m.

Present:	Paul Symons	Chairman/Quartermaster
	Lilian Cooper	GSL
	Rob Bruce	Treasurer
	Ian Kirby	
	Toni Scott	
	Sue Bateman	
	Richard Clark	
	Keith Kimber	
	Brenda Kennedy	
	John Jewson	
	Pat Powell	
	Lucy Bragg	Secretary

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Sally Symons and Kevin Bird.

2. Minutes of Last Meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held on 9th June were agreed and signed by the Chairman as being a correct record.

3. Matters Arising

- 3.1 No matters have arisen from the above minutes.
- 3.2 The deaths of Margaret Bird (The Church Organist) and Rev. Ian Anderson's Mother have occurred since the last meeting. Sally Symons sent condolence cards on behalf of the group.

4. GSL Report

4.1 Beaver Scout Colony

There are currently 15 invested beavers in the pack, 3 that started in September and 2 starting their link to cubs. Some have gained activity badges and the colony are working towards the outdoor challenge badge. There is still a vacancy for a leader, which means that Pat will need the assistance of 2 parents at each of the meetings.

4.2 Cubs

There are 37 boys in the pack with 7 starting their link to scouts on September 19th. The Monday night pack meeting has been put on hold for the moment.

4.3 Scouts

A meeting was held between Lilian – GSL, Paul – Chairman, Kevin Bird, John Jewson and Mike Smith. As a result a programme of activities has been arranged for the scout troop to include Fitness Challenge with the Chiltern 20 hike.

The Summer camp was enjoyed by the boys although GSL thought that there were not enough quality activities on offer.

5 Health And Safety.

5.1 No accidents have been reported since the last meeting.

5.2 2 pairs of safety goggles and a fire blanket have been purchased for use by the scouts at camp.

6 Finance

Rob Bruce presented current status of the bank accounts.

There is £4,271 in a savings account and £1,940 in the bank account.. Camp account for Sherwood is still to be finalised.

Receipts - A cheque has been received from the inland revenue for £837.69 with respect to the Gift Aid Scheme. Subscriptions have been received totalling £2,005 (£55 per boy). £236 of T-shirts have been sold.

Expenses - Motor vehicles repairs cost £1,436. Additional equipment - Flagpole, karaoke machine, benches and tents cost £672. It was decided that Rob Bruce would investigate further transferring the savings account to Nat West or Barclays.

7 Resources

7.1 Transport Manager's Report.

The minibus expenses were £800 and the brakes require checking which may mean additional expense. The MOT for the larger vehicle is due in October. People should ensure that they return the vehicles after use with at least a quarter tank of petrol and that the vehicles are clean. Also the children should be reminded to wear their seatbelts when travelling in the minibus.

7.2 Quartermaster's report

A new flagpole has been purchased. No decisions currently required with regard to equipment and it's storage.

8 Fund Raising.

8.1 £79 was raised at Haringey District Fete.

8.2 Toni Scott suggested arranging a Salsa Evening but was not sure of the level of interest. Toni agreed to investigate further.

Action T Scott

8.3 Keith Kimber suggested organising a Race Night in January at Bush Hill Bowls Club. This was agreed and is to be booked

Action KK /JJ

8.4 The Quiz Night will take place on 15th November. Keith Kimber and Mike Smith have agreed to organise the questions / scoring.

Karen Lowe to be asked to provide food

Action P Symons

Raffle prizes to be requested from Total.

Action L Bragg

Ticket prices will be the same as last year and the school to be asked to provide a tape player and microphone.

Action P Symons

A data projector would be useful for Quiz night if anyone could provide it.

8.5 Other fundraising possibilities discussed included Karaoke Evening, Car Boot Sale and the Christmas Bazaar.

A donation from Barclays Charity Scheme is to be investigated for Quiz Night.

Action R Bruce

9. Policies

9.1 Leader and Helper Expense Policy

This was agreed and the next review will be in 2005

9.2 Sectional Accounts Policy

GSL wishes to review the Cub / Beaver Accounts annually. Therefore this item will be discussed at the next meeting.

9.3 Transport Policy

Paragraph with regard to driving licences should require licences to be inspected each time the vans are borrowed. *Action P Symons*

A full review including other transport issues will take place at the next meeting.

10 Family Camp

There are 70 participants booked at Gilwell Park next weekend. Saturday night there will be a bring and share barbeque.

11. Recruitment

This item will be reviewed in the New Year.

12. Any Other Business.

John Jewson requested that Silly Questions be revived. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Keith Kimber requested that we participate in Remembrance Sunday. GSL confirmed the group would be joining with the district parade on 9th November. GSL advised that Scout Anniversary Service is on 2nd November and cubs will be returned from camp to participate in the service.

13. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 3rd November 2003 at 7.45pm in the Church Hall.