

Orange County Council, BSA International Committee

Minutes of April 19, 2011

Present: Chair Don Roberts, Steven Bisbing, Rusty Carter, Lito De Los Reyes, Randall Frank, Albertus Hoogeveen, John Mara, Barbara Parks, Peggy Priver, Dianna Slone, Chuck Williams and adviser Rachel Rash. Also present were Don Zweifel and his wife Donna Zweifel.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Don Roberts. In the future we will start at 7 p.m.

Our account number is 832.

Minutes: The March 15 minutes were approved.

World Jamboree: There was a rumor that there would be a switch of the 2015/2019 WJ locations. Barbara read an e-mail from Dr. Toshi Iwai in Japan saying that the U.S. had offered to switch if it would assist the Japan Scout Association but at this point there are no plans to do that.

The 22nd World Jamboree is July 27-Aug. 7, 2011 in Sweden. The WJ Crew put out a portfolio with three patches; only 200 were made. The set costs \$20. BSA controls and owns all patch designs for World Jamboree. BSA will not have an IST patch. ISTs have been asked to report by April 26 the time they want to be picked up at the airport or the train station. Don is doing a guided cycling tour after the WJ; a canal cruise is scheduled beforehand. So far, 28 people have signed up for his tour. BSA has 16 people for their tour; the cost is \$4,000.

For information about WJ, go to: www.scouting.org/worldjamboree.aspx.

BP Memorial at Rowallan Scout Camp in Kenya: Don noted that communication is challenging so this project is on hold.

OC Troop Visit to Nippon Jamboree: Dean Yamanaka had planned to be here to talk about the Nippon Jamboree his troop attended but he couldn't be here so he will report to us in May.

Committee Reports.

Awards Vice Chairman: Rusty Carter. No report.

Web site Vice Chairman: Randall Frank reported that the Council mistakenly thought we were selling patches on our Web site. Our address is international.ocbsa.org.

Secretary: Barbara Parks.

JOTI/JOTA/JOTT Vice Chairman: Vacant. Peggy Priver showed the 2011 patches for Jamboree on the Trail; our cost is \$2 each and they will be sold for \$3 each.

We need to publicize the International Activity award; it's on our Web site.

We are open to ideas for promoting JOTA. Don Z. said he would help with it. Maybe JOTI and JOTA could be done at the same time.

Philmont, European and International Camp Staff Vice Chairman: Donna Stoica. The European Camp Staff is an opportunity for those from the USA who are 18-30 years old to work at one of the eight camps for four to 12 weeks in the summer. BSA reimburses one half of the airfare if they complete their time at the camp. The sign-up time is January and February. It's a huge opportunity for our youth; college-age Scouts are the best target. We need to publicize it as much as possible. Orange County Council has accepted a female Scout from Bolivia to work at the Schoepe Scout Reservation at Lost Valley this summer.

Asian Related Scouting. The North Star Scout Group from Taiwan will be here July 14-26 in 2012. They will stay at Fiesta Island in San Diego and then have a home hospitality here. They are inviting us to visit them on their 60th anniversary in 2013, probably in late June.

Our council has received an invitation from Dr. Toshi Iwai and his Japanese Scouts to host us at the 2015 World Jamboree. We are not sure what this would entail so contact will be made with him in Sweden this summer. We want to encourage more outreach to Asian Scout units in Orange County.

Council Events Vice Chairman: John Mara.

Council Dinner on March 30: John staffed a table with assistance from others.

Eagle Scout Recognition Dinner on April 13: This was an opportunity to talk with parents and Scouts. One Scout is interested in International Camp Staff.

Scout-O-Rama on May 14: This is our committee's biggest exposure. Members are needed to staff our booth. Let John know when you can be there.

District Camporees: We need to promote international activities.

International Relationships Vice Chairman: Chuck Williams; Assistant Vice Chairman: Al Remyn. No report.

New/Upcoming Events Vice Chairman: Don Roberts.

2011 World Jamboree in Sweden. See notes above.

2012 May SDIC International Camporee Mataguay. San Diego has done this for more than 20 years; it's primarily for friendship between Mexico and the U.S. Our council used to participate. More information will come later.

2012 Philmont Training Center International. It might not be held because of budget concerns.

2012 Visit by Taiwan Scouts in July. See notes above.

2012 1st Hersham Olympics/Edinburgh Art Festival. Don is working with the 1st Hersham Scouts to plan this. It will conflict with NOAC.

2012 Michigan International Camporee/NOAC. It's July 20-29 at Northwoods Scout Reservation followed by NOAC through Aug. 5 at Central Michigan University in East Lansing. John Mara is the Scoutmaster for the trip.

2013 Trip to Taiwan to NSSG 60th Anniversary. See notes above.

2013 BSA National Jamboree. The location is the Bechtel Summit in West Virginia, which is six hours from Washington, D.C. Don encouraged our committee to have representation at the Jamboree to build WSJ selection.

2014 D-Day 70th Anniversary Encampment. The dates are about April 11-13, 2014. We have been invited by Trans Atlantic Council (American Scouts in Europe) to attend the Normandy Camporee for this special anniversary of D-Day. SDIC is also invited. This could be very meaningful for our youth and might be a nine-day trip including the Camporee and touring. The Web address is www.tac-bsa.org/Normandy.html.

2014 Philmont Training Center International.

2014 Nippon Jamboree.

2015 World Jamboree in Japan. They have a Web site and logo. Location is in Yamaguchi on Japan's west coast. We need to form a committee to start recruiting.

2019 World Jamboree. The location is the U.S. at The Summit. In the fall we need to form a committee.

International Fundraising Vice Chairman: Albertus Hoogeveen. He reported that last year we raised \$742.68. Nothing has been sent this year because only \$3 has been raised.

District Roundtable Liaison. Vice Chairman position is open.

Open Forum

Chuck said he is putting together a Crew for the 2014 Nippon Jamboree.

Rachel will locate another room for us to meet since our committee has expanded.

Randall, who was the chairman for the Eagle Scout Recognition Dinner, thanked those who attended the dinner. He reported that 729 attended.

Albertus attended the Baden Powell Fellowship in the Netherlands.

Dianna will work with Don to promote International events with Venturing.

The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m. The next meeting is Tuesday, May 17, at 7 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

Everyone look for two missing white International banners with purple lettering, one printed International Committee and the other World Jamboree.

Rachel to locate larger room for our committee meetings.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Parks, Secretary