

Orange County Council, BSA International Committee

Minutes of June 21, 2011

Present: Chair Don Roberts, Steven Bisbing, Randall Frank, Albertus Hoogeveen, John Mara, Barbara Parks, Peggy Priver, Dianna Slone, Chuck Williams, Dean Yamanaka, Don Zweifel, Donna Zweifel and adviser Rachel Rash.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Don Roberts.

Our account number is 832.

Minutes: The May 17 minutes were approved.

Mini PTC Training: After the World Jamboree it's possible we will plan for a Joint PTC-like Mini International Training Conference with SDIC at the Outdoor Education Center in the fall or winter.

BP Memorial at Rowallan Scout Camp in Kenya: Don noted that since communication is challenging, the BP Memorial project continues to be on hold.

BP Fellowship/Order of the Condor: Albertus reported. To become a member of the Baden Powell Fellowship a person pays \$10,000; that can be paid over three years and it benefits Scouting internationally. The King of Sweden presents the honoree with a pin and a certificate. You are invited to attend their events around the world that are held about twice a year. Our council has four BP Fellows: Marc Aarons, Randall Frank, Chuck Hand and Albertus Hoogeveen.

Contributions for the Order of the Condor are between \$1,000-\$10,000; it benefits Scouting in Central and South America. Members receive a plaque.

SDIC International Committee: Don reported that he has established a relationship with the International Committee in San Diego.

Getting the Word Out: Don did a presentation on International Scouting for Troop 657; he said that the Scouts weren't aware of these international events. One problem is that adults don't pass the information to the Scouts. One communication avenue is Order of the Arrow; others are through Facebook, twitter, Scoutweek, etc. If we have a Facebook presence, who will maintain it? Everyone of us needs to help; we need to think outside the box. Perhaps we could have a youth rep to our committee.

Committee Reports.

Awards Vice Chairman: Rusty Carter. Rusty wants a list of people who need certificates.

Web site Vice Chairman: Randall Frank. Our address is international.ocbsa.org. Don has started a Facebook page for the International Committee; all of the Web pages point to that. It was noted that for about six to eight months our committee was linked from the council's front page but that has disappeared. There is a button at the top but the links are currently broken. Rachel will look into it. We think there should be a listing of all the council's committees.

Secretary: Barbara Parks.

JOTI/JOTA/JOTT Vice Chairmen: Peggy Priver, Lito de los Reyes, Don Zweifel. Don Z. gave an update on Jamboree on the Air that's set for Oct. 15 and 16, 2011. John Mara will help with the graphics for the brochure. The Red Cross will assist with JOTA. Don Z. will teach radio merit badge.

European and International Camp Staff Vice Chairman: Donna Stoica.

Asian Related Scouting.

International Fundraising Vice Chairman: Albertus Hoogeveen.

District Roundtable Liaison. Vice Chairman: Don Zweifel.

Council Events Vice Chairman: John Mara. John created a prototype one-page newsletter on International Scouting programs. On the next one he'll put JOTA. He has arranged so there will be international training at OA Conclave.

Trip Subcommittees:

World Scout Jamboree: Contact Don Roberts. Don said there is a Web site for the IST Experience; they can win a gold or silver award. There's a lot more for ISTs to do this year. BSA started shipping bags last Friday.

2012 May San Diego Imperial Council International Camporee Mataguay: open

2012 PTC International: Contact Donna Stoica. It's not being held so the next one is in 2014.

2012 Visit by Taiwan Scouts July 15-28: Contact Calvin Wu. Calvin is in Taiwan now working out the details. They will be with Troop 1201 from Los Amigos District at Camp Fiesta Island in San Diego from July 15-21, Midway Museum on July 21 and have a home hospitality July 22-28. There will be eight adults and 20 youth.

2012 Michigan International Camporee/NOAC July 20-Aug. 5: Contact John Mara. It's July 20-29 at Northwoods Scout Reservation followed by NOAC through Aug. 5 at Central Michigan University in East Lansing. John said three Scouts have signed up. He showed three patches that included one for fundraising and one for trading.

2012 1st Hersham Olympics/Edinburgh Art Festival. Contact Don Roberts. He might drop this as he's busy with other events.

2013 BSA National Jamboree. Contact Albertus Hoogveen. The location is the Bechtel Summit in West Virginia.

2013 Trip to Taiwan to NSSG 60th Anniversary. Contact: Calvin Wu. Dates to be determined.

2014 D-Day 70th Anniversary Encampment. Contact Don Zweifel. 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. Don Roberts did a presentation on this for Troop 657. We will wait to kick it off. It will be a joint event with SDIC. The Web address is www.tac-bsa.org/Normandy.html.

2014 Nippon Jamboree. Contacts: Dean Yamanaka and Chuck Williams. Dean said they will probably have 30 Scouts from their troop. Chuck will have a group also.

2014 PTC International. Contact Donna Stoica

New/Upcoming Events Vice Chairman: Don Roberts.

2015 World Scout Jamboree in Japan. They have a Web site and logo. Location is in Yamaguchi on Japan's west coast. In September we will form a committee. There's a possibility of Japanese Scouts hosting us.

2019 World Scout Jamboree. The location is in the U.S. at The Summit.

Open Forum

Chuck Williams has Leave No Trace patches; they were originally done by a company in Joplin but the building and all of the contents were wiped out by the devastating tornado.

Randall will be in a museum at the World Jamboree.

Dianna reported that the Vietnamese Scouts in Orange County Council raised \$23,000 for Scouts in Japan. This was money they had intended to use for one of their Scouting trips.

Don R. has been in contact with the senior editor of Scouting magazine who is not aware of International Scouting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m. The next meeting is Tuesday, July 19, at 7 p.m. There will be no meeting in August.

ACTION ITEMS

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

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Parks, Secretary