

Orange County Council, BSA International Committee

Minutes of September 20, 2011

Present: Chair Don Roberts, Rusty Carter, Albertus Hoogeveen, John Mara, Chuck Williams, Peggy Priver, Randall Frank, Steven Bisbing, David Derryberry, Elijah Derryberry and adviser Rachel Rash.

Minutes: July 19th minutes are posted online, no August meeting

BP Memorial at Rowallan Scout Camp in Kenya: Don reported that the BP Memorial project continues to be on hold.

SCIC International Committee: Don is waiting for response to coordinate our joint PTC-like international training, still to be held in November 2011 to prepare for the International Camporee at Mataguay, May 18–20, 2012. This will be an inexpensive and easy international event to attend; perhaps we should promote it for Citizenship in the World merit badge requirements.

Getting the Word Out: ongoing discussion about the importance of all committee members to promote international activities. John provided samples of his flyer/newsletter to be distributed at district Roundtables. We have a Facebook group called International Committee Orange County Council BSA – which member will maintain it? We need to utilize all possible communications, including press releases for Scoutweek, Twitter, website, etc.

JOTA: Don Zwiefel has resigned. David and Elijah Derryberry are stepping in to run this event which runs midnight to midnight Oct. 15-16 and will be at OCC 1211 East Dyer Road, Santa Ana. David says the event needs to run 24 hours to communicate with scouts in distant time zones, and that he will be there the entire time. This event would work well as a campout, so perhaps in 2012 it could be held at a site such as the Outdoor Education Center. There is time to get flyers to the Roundtables.

Committee Reports:

Awards: Rusty Carter. Diana Sloane has turned in her International Scouter Award application

Website: Randall Frank. Our webpage link is on the Resources page under Committees (along with NESAs), and also on the Council Training page.

Secretary: Peggy is filling in for Barbara Parks, who is ill

JOTI/JOTA/JOTT: Peggy Priver/Lito de los Reyes. JOTI can be done anywhere there is internet, JOTA will be held as reported above. IRs have been sent an email from BSA encouraging them to promote JOTA/JOTI. The JOTT website has not yet been updated since May 30th and designs for the 2012 patch can be submitted. Our committee has set aside funds to order the JOTT patches in March 2012

Intl/Euro Camp Staff: Donna Stoica. Rachel will follow up with a report on the staffer from Bolivia who worked at Schoepe Lost Valley SR this past summer, and hopefully we will have more next summer.

The European camps which include Kandersteg in Switzerland, Vassaro in Sweden, Gilwell in the UK, and several more are good opportunities for older Scouts from ages 18-30. Good target groups are Eagle Scouts and Scouts who are in college with summers off. They get room and board and the BSA promises to reimburse one-third of the airfare if they fulfill their obligation (4 to 12 weeks depending on

the camp); when they're finished they can travel around the country. Don noted that in the past so few applied for reimbursement that scouts who did received payment for their full airfares.

International Fund: Albertus Hoogeven. Albertus noted that although he did go to Lost Valley this summer, the fire on the adjacent reservation forced LV to close for the last two sessions, so he was not able to fundraise as well as he had planned.

BP Fellowship: Randall Frank has been inducted, and was welcomed by the King and Queen of Sweden (requires a commitment of \$10,000 payable over 3 years). A yet-to-be named "Prince of Scouting" from Saudi Arabia has donated several million.

Order of the Condor: supports Scouting in South America, requires \$5000

Council Events: John Mara. Conclave: will be held the second weekend in October, and John will be teaching an international session. Lodge Banquet: the new lodge Chief, Joe Vanegas, also attended World Jamboree in Sweden. John has a display for the Banquet. University of Scouting: will be March 3, 2012. We will teach three classes and have a large booth. John Miller is in charge this year. Council Dinner: March 14, 2012. Eagle Recognition Dinner: will be in April 2012. Scout-O-Rama will be May 12th, the same official day of JOTT. Randall informed us a new council event Cars and Mugs will take place next Saturday at council from 6:30am to 9am, with the purpose to reach out to local alumni and will become a bigger event. NESAs has been tapped to act as an "alumni committee". Sign ups are being taken for a new Silver Beaver Alumni Assoc.

Trip Sub-Committees

Chuck informed that Denmark and Norway will be having national jamborees next summer. Denmark's will be for all ages, including Cubs. Canada is having a Rover Moot (ages 18–25) that will cover several Canadian cities, with more information later.

2011 World Scout Jamboree: International Committee was represented by 8 members: Don in International Press wrote worldwide releases, Randall staffed the Scout Museum and Post Office, Diana, Donna and Chuck worked at Leave No Trace, John served at Adult Foods and Steve was at Camp-in-Camp. Peggy visited on Aug. 5th as a Day Visitor. A record! Several more gave our council a strong adult presence. There were 12 youth.

2012 Panama Moot Jan 2–10: IRs received emails from BSA promoting the XIX Central American Moot (ages 17–24), and aiming to fill a contingent of 16 members, full price \$1800. This is the first time BSA has supported moots. There are 6 openings if signed up by Sept. 30th, use the youth application on our website. We could send our own council contingent if we have a volunteer to organize it.

2012 May 19–20 SDIC International Camporee Mataguay: Diana Sloane.all information at website

<http://international.sdicsa.org/2012-international-camporee-preview.php>

2012 PTC International June 17–23 Donna Stoica. For IRs by invitation only. Rachel will find out if we can send a proxy.

2012 Visit by Taiwan Scouts July 15–28: Calvin Wu. Home hospitality will be July 21–28, Troop 1201 is handling.

2012 MIC/NOAC Jul 20–Aug 5 John Mara. John's contingent will tour the Ford museum in Dearborn, attend MIC in Lupton, then NOAC at Michigan State. He has the first official NOAC council shoulder patches for participants and fundraising.

2013 National Jamboree Albertus Hoogeven. Will be held at The Summit in West Virginia and promises to be more a high adventure rather exhibit experience, including white water rafting. Rusty is interviewing assistant scoutmasters until Oct. 20th, aiming for 8 troops and Venturing crews. Albertus is recruiting our members to staff the international booth.

2013 July Visit to Taiwan Scouts: Calvin Wu. Will be led by Troop 1201, but the trip is open to all.

2013 Nippon and 30th Asia Pacific Jamboree: Trial run for World Jamboree at same site,

<http://www.scout.or.jp>

2014 D-Day 70th Anniv. Encampment April 11–13: (possibly school spring break) We and SDIC were specifically invited, we will run as a joint event. Possible cost \$1500–\$1800, pre or post tour. We will start promoting in late 2012. This is also the 100th anniversary of the start of WWI.

New Events: Chair, Don Roberts

2015 World Jamboree – Japan We need to form a new subcommittee of at least 4 people. Rachel is automatically on it, but it needs a chair. Possibly National Jamboree people can advise about a publicity plan. Toshi Iwai in Japan has offered to host our OCC.

2019 World Jamboree – USA The Summit BSA will go all out, and needs to consider the hosting expectations from other nations

Open Forum

John reports that Youtube has many clips from World Jamboree.

Chuck mentioned he appeared in an interview on the Belgian tv national news.

Don reports that the IST tour went great, especially enjoyed Copenhagen.

Randall shared the design for the new Forever stamp for Girl Scouts, although it only says “Celebrate Scouting” with a girl’s silhouette.

The Scotland scouts will be visiting Oct. 8-23rd and will need homestays for Oct 8-9, but looking at their schedule we suggested the WLA council would be closer to their activities than us

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm. Next meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 18th at 7:00pm. There will be no December meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Priver