MINUTES OF THE PARK STREET SCOUT GROUP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 11.1.88

Present: E. Cummins (chair), S. Rees, R. Johnson, D. Drake, M. Dadswell

C. Watson, E. Woods, P. La Riviere, C. Ward, C. Abingdon,

D. Hewer, M. Turner (Cubs).

Apologies: J. Henderson, S. Cottingham & S. Revitt.

Minutes of the last meeting were circulated and agreed.

Matters Arising

A letter had been sent to the PCC thanking them for the grant for the purchase of the chairs. It was confirmed that the cheaper type of chairs would be suitable as the Fire Regulations re linked chairs did not apply to us.

Toddler time have taken away their equipment and returned the keys.

The Group dinner at the Tudor Tavern has been booked and is going ahead. Disappointment was expressed that some people included in the invitations had not bothered to reply.

The headmaster of Homewood School had been informed that in principle we were interested in his proposals. He had been asked to obtain firm quotations and come back to us with more detailed plans. Nothing further has been heard as yet - the EC agreed that 'the ball was in his court' and that it was up to him to make the next move.

Fund Raising Report

Next events are a Valentine's Dance at the Village Hall on 13.2.88 and an under 13 disco at the Scout Hut on 15.2.88. A jumble sale is planned for March (exact date to be notified) and the Town Hall has been booked for a Grand Jumble Sale in June.

Treasurer's Report

Deposit Account £507.06

Current Account £364.89

Cash in Hand £68.22

Activity Account £29.05

Bills to Pay: - Electricity in February, Water in March.

Bills Paid: - Rent £10, Electricity £92.79, Refund £32.40

Money Received From :

£2 from North Watford Scouts (Hired Hut)

£30 Sale of Fish Tanks

Winter Term Birch Pack Cubs.

In addition Martin Dadswell reported that he held approximately £300 at home to be handed over to the Treasurer.

Fire Precaution

Concern was expressed that the fire extinguishers had not been checked recently and it was feared that they would be of little or no use in an emergency.

Steve Rees undertook to arrange for a thorough check to be made so that any defective extinguishers could be replaced. Generally, the EC felt that fire precautions e.g. clearance of emergency exits etc. should be improved as it was felt that in the event of an inspection by the Fire Officer he would require much remedial work to be done.

Cubs Football

Michael Turner (Cubs) reported that 7 games had been played so far, all of which had been won, during the course of which 20 boys had been able to play. The players had been selected almost evenly between the Birch and Wood packs and they integrated together well.

Rates Assessment

Liz Cummins produced a letter from the Valuation Department of the Inland Revenue which would need to be completed and returned. At present the Group had no liability for rates and it was hoped this situation would continue.

Any Other Business

Eric Woods announced that due to family commitments he would reluctantly be unable to continue as Akela after Easter 1988. The EC expressed their regrets at hearing this unexpected news and decided to defer further discussion on the future leadership of the Wood Pack until a later date once there had been time to give the matter more thought.

The date of the next meeting was arranged for 21.3.88.

Minutes of Park Street Scout Group Exec. Meeting on 16th January, 1988

Present: I Abington, C. Abington, P. Rose, M. Turner (Cubs), M. Dadswell,

C. Watson, P. La Riviere. C. Ward, K. Barrow, E. Woods, S. Rees,

C. Baker, J Curson, D. Drake, L Henderson, J Hurley, S. Cottingham

Apologies: M. Turner, M, Flack, B Hewer.

Minutes of last meeting were accepted.

4. It was reported that the Portacabin had been cleared and also the rubbish had been cleared and burned. It was also reported that one of the trees had been moved and the others pruned.

The repainting of the Hut had also been started.

5. Fund Raising. It was reported that the Valentine Dance had been cancelled due to the double booking of the Band. Forthcoming Events:

Under 13's Valentine Disco Feb. 10th

Quiz Evening mm March 4th
Jumble Sale " 18th
Boot Sale April

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Race Night May 20th

Financial:

Christmas Fair £118.80 Car Boot Sale £58.00

Current A/C £83
Inv. A/C £700
Cash £50

6. Treasurers Report:

 Current A/C
 £249.34

 Deposit A/C
 £384.15

 Cash in Hand
 £ 53.71

Midland Bank/Activity A/C £279.11

Bills Paid: E. Elec £81.56 Nov Rent £10 Jan Skip Hire £27 Dec

Bills To Pay:

E. Elec Feb
Van Tax Mar £100
Cap. Fee " £693.50
Water " £76.33

Receipts:

Homewood School Autumn Term £120 Scout Subs/Cap. Fee Wood Cub Subs.

7. Exec. Dinner:- Lists had been received by those attending. Coach has been booked - £73 - £2 per head.

Lawn Mower: It was reported that the part exchange on the old mower would be £10. On the question of a Strimmer, it was advised that a mower would be more apprpriate for the work intended. Ian will be informed when a suitable mower is available.

Ian reported that he had not written to the Highways Dept, as yet with regards to the access to the Hut but will do so in due course.

Football Shirts:- Mr. and Mrs. Hatch gave £75 towards the cost of new shirts. Football Subs plus £15 from Mr Claxton = £24. Total cost £105 so cost to Group approx. £5. Ian suggested a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. and Mrs Hatch, 57 Ringway Road.

Mike Turner suggested a picture of the Team be included in the next newsletter.

8. Any other Business.

Hut in use: - 15th June - European Parliamentary Election 4th May - Local Elections.

£75 charge to be made.

John Hurley reported that he has the wood for the Roof Rack for the Van but the brackets have to be made. The Exhaust has not yet been repaired but should be in the near future.

Sam Cottingham was asked if it would be worth contacting Redlands with a view to obtaining a van on the same terms as last time.

It was suggested that the question of a Car Port for the Van being built be put on the next Agenda.

Ian reported on the painting of the outside of the Hut. General repairs to the Hut to be put on the Fund Raising Agenda.

- E. Woods Cap. Fee: Eric raised the question of boys leaving cubs mid year. It was agreed that if Parents don't query the Capitation then to leave things as they are.
- S. Rees reported that Longridge had asked for a copy of the Broadsheet.
- It was reported that the fence had been repaired after the break-in where S. Rees' bike had been stolen. The Bike has since been recovered.
- 9. S. Rees reported that there was a possibility of obtaining 6 Bivee Tents. Hut Cleaning: It was agreed that the hut was not very clean and to make sure that everybody who uses the hut cleans up after them. If the cleaner was found to be unsatisfactory then it was agreed to look for a new cleaner.
- C. Baker thought it would be a nice idea to have a page from the Group for the Residents Association Magazine.
- A letter had been received from June Henderson thanking the Committee for her Gift.
- C. Watson asked if a Scouters meeting was imminent.
- J. Curson had received a leeter from K. Rees of Scouts Fellowship asking about forming a branch of the Fellowship within the Group.
- R. Johnson had resigned as Scout Leader as of Christmas. J. Curson had the matter of a replacement in hand.

Date of next meeting: Monday 13th March. 8.15 p.m.

Meeting closed at 9.15 p.m