

Denver Area Council, BSA Jewish Committee on Scouting

Meeting Minutes
7/25/2013

In attendance:
Mike Shapiro
Shawn Connelly
Stuart Zipper
Dave Reynolds

Opening: Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes of last meeting reviewed and accepted

It was noted that several other members of the JCoS were either involved in their own Troop activities, or still out of town following the Jamboree.

Latest Jamboree details

Shawn attended the Jamboree and said that it was very muddy. He visited the kosher contingent, and went to the National JCoS services, however a full rundown of the Jamboree Jewish activities will wait until Hyiam Reiffman brief us, since he was with the Jewish contingent.

Chaplain Aide Training

Mike reported that he had received some complaints about Chaplain Aide training being cancelled. As reported in the previous meeting, the Chaplain's Aide Training, for Scouts of all religions, that had been planned to take place before the Jamboree was cancelled due to lack of response.

The new date for Chaplain's Aide training is now on a Saturday – Oct. 26, as part of that day's Scouting University – and the Chaplain's Aide committee has agreed to also hold training on another day if there is demand from Jewish Scouts.

Troop 1613 Summer Camp

Since Hyiam was not at the meeting, a full report was not made. However Mike went up in the middle of the camping week and said that the troop had a good week, although there were only three scouts attending, including one who left in the middle of the week.

Jewish Eagle Recognition

Mike and Shawn proposed that the Denver JCoS have a certificate of recognition for Jewish Scouts who achieve the rank of Eagle. The committee agreed that it is a very good idea. Mike distributed a proposed

layout for such a certificate, and Shawn said the a Council professional who handles such things will prepared a finished version.

Fall Kinus

Shawn suggested an action list of what the JCoS has to do to prepare for the planned Kinus.

On top of the list is making arrangements with Ekar farms. Mike is to contact Greg Ostravich, who has been exchanging eMails with Ekar, to finalize the arrangement.

A tentative date of Oct. 20 was set for the event.

Members of JCoS are to speak at various District Roundtables to promote the event. Just who will speak at which roundtable is to be determined, but it was noted that both Hyiam and Mike are normally at Frontier, and Stuart is completely flexible.

The program is to be roughly the same as the last two kinuses, and include help with religious awards in addition to the Ekar Farms program and a Hot Dog BBQ.

The next meeting was set for Aug. 22 at 7:30 P.M.