

7:00pm-8:00pm

Committee Chairman <a href="#">NSC Link</a> <a href="#">Troop 148</a>	Monty Gravseth	<b>Troop leadership Transitions over the next 6 months</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Committee Chair Monty Gravseth</li><li>- Scout Master\ Drew Nelson</li><li>- Advancement Chair - Brenda Hammer</li><li>- Treasurer - Beth Weiskopf</li><li>- Fundraising - Leanne Graetz</li><li>- Equipment Coordinator - Ira Signalness</li><li>- WebMaster - Molly Ashwood</li><li>- Training Chair and Membership Chair combined - Nate Haumschild</li><li>- Service Chair - Bryan Wells</li><li>- Secretary and Public Relations -Lauren M Boloque</li><li>- Health Form Coordinator - Kelly Mechelke</li></ul>
Secretary	Lauren Boloque	Previous Meeting Minutes - View on the Web Site <a href="#">LINK</a>
Public Relations		What pictures have we put in the paper recently? What pictures do we have plans to put in this month?
Charter Representative	Gabe LeBrun	Knights of Columbus Updates -
District Representative	Bob Baker	Regional Update
Scoutmaster	Drew Nelson	State of the Troop Eagles Nest - any we need to add? Eagle Communications Process <a href="#">LINK</a>
Senior Patrol Leader	Jefferey Hammer	State of the Troop and plans -
Assistant Scoutmaster(s)		Updates, ideas, concerns Barry Peterson, Tim Beyer, Jason Printz, Josh Ness, Dan Richter, Jim Koch
Treasurer	Beth Weiskof  Financial Decisions <a href="#">See Below</a>	Financial Update - Bank accounts, Reimbursements From July 1 numbers  <b>*See decisions below</b>  <b>Troop 148 Financial Summary</b>  <b>Bank Balance</b> <b>\$23,744.61</b> <b>Troop Balance    Scout Balance    Inactive Scouts    Campership    Girls Balance</b> <b>\$16,208.09        \$7136.52        \$11891.51        \$400        \$497.03</b>

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*Advancement Coordinator *Health Form Coordinator *Troop 7148 Scoutmaster	Brenda Hammer	Monthly Merit Badge Plans - PLC to make a plan for merit badges for the next 12 months. - What are they doing this month - Can we update Merit Badge Councilor List Work with John  Next Court of Honor -																																																
Equipment Coordinator	Ira Singalness	- Status? - Other needs?																																																
Religious Emblem Coordinator		NOTE: Always the 1st Sunday before the boy scouts anniversary on February 8th Reminder each year about the religious award program. Link added to the web site as well.																																																
Training Chair	Nate Haumschild	Youth Protection Presentation for the Troop - Survey Monkey sent out: Scouts Responding : _____ - Update ?  - New Scouts Discipline & Technology policy survey																																																
Membership Chair	Nate Haumschild	Crossover March 5th - <del>Did the new scouts get books?</del> - Need to get email out to scouts on registering for next year																																																
Webmaster	Molly Ashwood	HudsonTroop148.org																																																

		<p>If there are scouts interested in learning how to update our web page, I'm willing to work with them. Webmaster is a position!</p> <p>Facebook - driver to website - Ken Owns the page - contact to admin access</p>
Troop Chaplain		Fr John Gerritts
New Business		
Old Business		Web security and outings.

Useful Links [Northern Star Council Web Link](#) [Troop 148 Web Link](#)

## Financial Planning Decisions / activities

### Decisions:

Financial Decision	Decision Date	Due Date	
It has been decided that if an adult is a committee member that they should not be asked to pay to go on campouts.	1/8/2024		
Popcorn sales for the boyscouts was proposed. Feedback: There was a scout with a pine allergy who did sell popcorn. The decision was made that we will leave popcorn sales to the cub scouts except in the situation where a scout has a pine allergy or some other special situation where they cannot. In this case they will work directly popcorn sales team of the cub scout pack. The funds will be transferred to troop to that scouts, scout account	9/28/2021		
Adult registration question - We will not pay registration for all adults but will support a leader in financial need. If an adult is in financial need, the request will follow the same path as a scout in financial need. The request can be brought to the Scout Master or Committee chair. The information will be kept confidential between those two individuals and the Treasurer, who will create the reimbursement.	8/9/2021		
Funding for two required Leaders on campouts: <b>This replaces a decision in 2018 that the troop will pay for 2 leaders at campouts.</b> Due to COVID and the troop fundraisers of Fish Fry and Booster days, the decision was made that the cost of the leaders for a campout will not be funded from the troop general budget but instead the cost will be spread across those attending that camp out.	8/24/2020	8/24/2020	
Consumable Trailer Supplies: Due to the lack of troop fundraisers, a flat fee will be charged per scout when the troop trailer is used on a camp out. This fee is to pay for replacing gas containers, and other use once items off the trailer. The cost will be \$1 per scout per night.	8/24/2020	8/24/2020	
Troop Dues: Due to the increase in national dues, the troop dues were re-evaluated. Beginning with the 2020 rechartering, troop dues will be \$20. These will be drawn annually from the scout account.	8/24/2020	8/24/2020	
National Dues: Due to the fact the \$180 in national dues is paid directly to national via credit card, they cannot be drawn from the scout account, the fact that dues are a scouting related activity, the troop will allow parents to submit a "reimbursement request" using the reimbursement request form to draw money from the scout account to pay for their national dues. Adult leader dues can also be paid by a scout from their scout account.	8/24/2020	8/24/2020	
There are a few leaders who are willing to stay with the troop even after their scouts turn 18. To encourage them we are offering to pay their registration fees.	<b>Put on a future agenda for discussion.</b>	8/24/2020	
The troop will create a campership fund. The sources will come from Pepperfest grants, closing scout accounts, buffalo wild wings and donations specifically to campership funds.	<b>September 23rd, 2019</b>	<b>September 23rd, 2019</b>	

New Topic: Should we charge for merit badges? The decision was that we should not charge for merit badges because they are covered by registration fees.	November 27th, 2017	November 27th, 2017	
Merit badge attendance by non troop 148 scouts. The decision is left up to the counselor, if they can accommodate the scouts or not. Troop 148 scouts have 1st opportunity.	November 27th, 2017	November 27th, 2017	
Develop an Expense plan showing how the current reserves are planned to be used.	January 11th, 2016	Draft Provided Feb 22nd	
Required Training for Camping and High Adventure.  When specific training is required to take a group camping, such as Wilderness First Aid for High Adventure, the cost will be paid by the troop. If the training is only good for that adventure the cost will be charged back to that crew. If the training will be used for more than one crew or event the cost will be covered by the troop.	April 22nd, 2019	April 22nd, 2019	
High Adventure, Camping and Campership  <del>A high adventure grant \$100 per scout, once in their scouting career. <b>Decision on 8/28/17. This will no longer be offered due to budget considerations.</b></del> <del>UPDATE: Maximum that can be spent is the balance in the High Adventure account.</del>  UPDATE: Rather than a specific high adventure fund, a Campership fund has been created to be used for High Adventure or Other camping programs. The decision as to who gets the funds will be limited to a discussion between the person bringing the request, the Committee Chair and the Scout Master and the Treasurer. The intention is to keep requests private.	January 11th, 2016 UPDATE 9/26/16 UPDATE 8/28/17 UPDATE:4/22/19	January 11th, 2016	
UPDATE: 2019 decision: Reviewing the policy. With the current troop balance and the scaling back of opportunities such as the Fish Fry. No stipends will be given. Note the previous decision was the maximum of the high adventure account but there we no high adventure specific fundraisers that put money in the troop account. The fundraising chair of the troop will help find fundraising opportunities for high adventure but general troop funds will not be stipend/given to the high adventure crews. Unless the crew two leaders and a large number of scouts. At that time stipends could be requested for the leaders.  UPDATE: Maximum that can be spent is the balance in the High Adventure account.  A high adventure stipend (ie.\$500) toward the High Adventure camps for two scoutmasters/assistant scoutmaster leaders of the troop who take groups on High Adventure activities.  UPDATE: See "High Adventure, Camping and Campership "	UPDATE 2/24/19  UPDATE 9/26/16  January 11th, 2016 UPDATED 8/28/2017  UPDATE: 4/22/19	January 11th, 2016	

The troop will reimburse the driver that tows the trailer for gas expense when pulling the trailer, if requested. The cost will be charged back to the event the same way food is charged back the the event.	<b>January 11th, 2016 UPDATED 8/28/17</b>	<b>January 11th, 2016</b>	
For Eagle Scout ceremonies the troop will pay for Eagle neckerchief and slide. Eagle provides the Red, White and Blue candles.	<b>January 11th, 2016</b>	<b>January 11th, 2016</b>	
The troop will pay for expenses at recruitment meals. (Rocket lift-off, campouts etc. pre-approval at a committee meeting is preferable	<b>January 11th, 2016</b>	<b>January 11th, 2016</b>	
The troop will pay for 2 adult leaders for Tomahawk each year, or the equivalent of 2 leaders if adults are coming and going. <del>Adults who attend less than a week are welcome. Those adults will be added to the food order the day(s) they are in camp and charged through their scout's account for only the days they are attending.</del>	<b>Clarification July 15th, 2017  UPDATED 8/28/17</b>	<b>To be reviewed at a committee meeting on August 28th.</b>	<b>Replaced on 8/24/2020</b>
The subscription cost for the scout financial system is \$5.00 per month or \$60 per year - Update - Plan to cancel before 12/31	<b>August 28th, 2017</b>	<b>August 28th, 2017 December 31st, 2019 October 2020</b>	
June 26th, 2017: Dues raised from \$64, \$24 for National and \$40 for the troop to \$75, \$24 for National and \$51 for the troop.  September 2017: National dues raised from \$24 to \$33. Troop dues reduced to \$42. Dues to be pulled from scout accounts on November 1st each year. Before rechartering, send a troop wide note for anyone who does NOT want to be rechartered to respond before November 1st.  Revised 2019: Confirmed Dues stay at \$75.00 August 12th, 2019 National Dues raised to \$33, Troop dues reduced to \$42  <b>Revised 2020: Troop Dues \$20</b>	<b>June 26th, 2017 September 25th, 2017</b>	<b>June 26th, 2017 September 25th, 2017 August 12th, 2019</b>	
<b>Other information and Decision</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	
The Knights of Columbus have the trailer insured with a \$1000 deductible for trailer and contents. (via Gabe)	<b>June 26th, 2017</b>	<b>June 26th, 2017</b>	
After Tomahawk each year, there will be a regular troop meeting the monday following the return on Saturday to wrap up camp related activities and get the troop together for the fall activities.	<b>August 28th, 2017</b>	<b>August 28th, 2017</b>	
New web domain will be HudsonTroop148.org	<b>September 26th, 2017</b>	<b>September 26th, 2017</b>	
Troop will cover 50% of cost for kids that go to Grey Wolf	<b>3/20/22</b>		

If troop incurs costs for collection of bad checks from fundraisers, future fundraisers will have to turn in either cash or money orders.	12/5/2022		
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## Communications processes

<i><b>What</b></i>	<i><b>How</b></i>
Eagle Award, publishing to the paper	When The scout master receives sign-off from the council the Publicity chair will be notified to collect the information from the scout and publish.

## Activity Ideas for next year:

<i><b>Idea</b></i>	<i><b>Time of the year we have done it</b></i>
EAA Lambeau and Submarine	<i>Spring</i>
Sledding Overnight	<i>Winter</i>
Eagle Cave (two nights)	<i>Spring</i>
Canoe trip	
Rum River Camping Trip	
Philmont High Adventure	
Summit High Adventure	



## Event planning restrictions

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### Unauthorized and Restricted Activities

The following activities have been declared unauthorized and restricted by the Boy Scouts of America:

1. All-terrain vehicles (ATVs or UTVs) are banned from program use. The exception is council-approved ATV programs. They are not approved for unit use. ATVs are defined as motorized recreational cycles with three or four large, soft tires, designed for off-road use on a variety of terrains.
  2. Boxing, karate, and related martial arts—except judo, aikido, and Tai Chi— are not authorized activities.
  3. Chainsaws and mechanical log splitters may be authorized for use only by trained individuals over the age of 18, using proper protective gear in accordance with local laws.
  4. Exploration of abandoned mines is an unauthorized activity.
  5. Varsity football teams and interscholastic or club football competition and activities are unauthorized activities.
  6. Fireworks secured, used, or displayed in conjunction with program and activities is unauthorized except where the fireworks display is conducted under the auspices of a certified or licensed fireworks control expert.
  7. The selling of fireworks as a fund-raising or money-earning activity by any group acting for or on behalf of members, units, or districts may not be authorized by councils.
  8. Flying in hang gliders, ultralights, experimental aircraft, or hot-air balloons (nontethered); parachuting; and flying in aircraft as part of a search and rescue mission are unauthorized activities. Tethered hot-air balloon flights are authorized, and a flying plan must be completed. 46 The online version of the Guide to Safe Scouting is updated quarterly. Go to <http://www.scouting.org/HealthandSafety/GSS.aspx>.
  9. Motorized go-carts and motorbike activities are unauthorized for Cub Scout and Boy Scout programs. Go-carting conducted at a commercial facility that provides equipment and supervision of cart operation is authorized with parental consent for any youth participant. Participating in motorized speed events (racing), including motorcycles, boats, drag racing, demolition derbies, and related events are not authorized activities for any program level.
  10. Participation in amateur or professional rodeo events and council or district sponsorship of rodeos are not authorized. This includes mechanized bulls and similar devices.
  11. Pointing any type of firearm or simulated firearm at any individual is unauthorized. This prohibition includes archery tag. Scout units may plan or participate in paintball, laser tag or similar events where participants shoot at targets that are neither living nor human representations. Units may participate in formally organized historical reenactment events, where firearms are used and intentionally aimed over the heads of the reenactment participants. The use of paintball guns, laser guns, or similar devices may be utilized in target shooting events following the Sweet 16 of BSA Safety.
  12. Hunting is not an authorized Cub Scout or Boy Scout activity, although hunting safety is part of the program curriculum. (The purpose of this policy is to restrict chartered packs, troops, and teams from conducting hunting trips. However, this policy does not restrict Venturing crews from conducting hunting trips or special adult hunting expeditions provided that adequate safety procedures are followed and that all participants have obtained necessary permits and/or licenses from either state or federal agencies. While hunter safety education might not be required prior to obtaining a hunting license, successful completion of the respective state voluntary program is required before participating in the activity.)
  13. Motorized personal watercraft (PWC), such as Jet-Skis®, are not authorized for use in Scouting aquatics, and their use should not be permitted in or near BSA program areas. The exception is council-approved PWC programs. They are not approved for unit use.
  14. Except for law enforcement officers required to carry firearms within their jurisdiction, firearms shall not be brought on camping, hiking, backpacking, or other Scouting activities except those specifically planned for target shooting under the supervision of a currently certified BSA national shooting sports director or National Rifle Association firearms instructor.
  15. Parasailing, or any activity in which a person is carried aloft by a parachute, parasail, kite, or other device towed by a motorboat, including a tube, or by any other means, is unauthorized.
  16. All activities related to bungee cord jumping (sometimes called shock cord jumping) are unauthorized. 47 The online version of the Guide to Safe Scouting is updated quarterly. Go to <http://www.scouting.org/HealthandSafety/GSS.aspx>.
  17. Technical tree-climbing with ropes or harnesses is not authorized as an activity.
  18. Water chugging and related activities are not authorized for any program level.
  19. Bubbleball, Knockerball™, zorbing, Battle Ball™, bubble soccer or football, and similar orb activities where participants run into one other or roll around on land or water have been reviewed and are now unauthorized, except for supervised bubble soccer programs operated by councils with an approved pilot.
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## Committee organization, meetings and responsibilities

### **Troop Committee Chairman Responsibilities**

- Organize the committee to see that all functions are delegated, coordinated and completed.
- Maintain a close relationship with the chartered organization representative and the [Scoutmaster](#).
- See that unit leaders and committee members have training opportunities.
- Interpret national and local policies to the unit.
- Work closely with the Scoutmaster in preparing [Troop Committee](#) meeting agendas.
- Call, preside over, and promote attendance at monthly unit committee meetings and any special meetings that may be called.
- Ensure unit representation at monthly roundtables.
- Secure top-notch, trained individuals for camp membership.
- Arrange for charter review and recharter annually.
- Plan the charter presentation program.

### **Troop Committee Responsibilities**

- Ensures that quality adult leadership is recruited and trained. In case the Scoutmaster is absent, a qualified Assistant Scoutmaster is assigned. If the Scoutmaster is unable to serve, a replacement is recruited.
- Provides adequate meeting facilities.
- Advises the Scoutmaster on policies relating to Boy Scouting and the chartered organization.
- Supports leaders in carrying out the program.
- Is responsible for finances, adequate funds, and disbursements in line with the approved budget plan.
- Obtains, maintains, and properly cares for troop property.
- Ensures the troop has an outdoor program (minimum 10 days and nights per year).
- Serves on boards of review and courts of honor.
- Supports the Scoutmaster in working with individual boys and problems that may affect the overall troop program.
- Provides for the special needs and assistance some boys may require.
- Helps with the Friends of Scouting campaign.
- Assists the Scoutmaster with handling boy behavioral problems.

## Troop Positions.

### Chartered Organization Representative

The Chartered Organization Representative is the direct contact between the unit and the Chartered Organization. This individual is also the organization's contact with the district committee and the Local Council. The chartered organization representative may become a member of the district committee and is a voting member of the council. The Chartered Organization Representative appoints the unit committee chair.

### Troop Committee Chairman

The unit committee chair is appointed by the chartered organization and registered as an adult leader of the BSA. The unit committee chairman appoints and supervises the unit committee and unit leaders.

### Troop Secretary

The unit secretary is appointed by the committee chairman to keep minutes and records, send notices, and handle publicity.

### Troop Treasurer

The unit treasurer is appointed by the committee chairman to handle unit funds, pay bills, maintain accounts, coordinate the annual Friends of Scouting (FOS) campaign, and supervise fundraising.

### Troop Advancement Chair

The unit advancement chair is appointed by the committee chairman to ensure that the unit has at least monthly boards of review, quarterly courts of honor, and that the unit has goals of helping each Scout advance a rank each year and for new Scouts to reach First Class rank during their first year. The advancement coordinator is also responsible for record keeping and submitting advancement reports.

### Troop Equipment Coordinator

The unit equipment coordinator is appointed by the committee chairman to work with the youth Quartermaster and is responsible inventory, storage, and maintenance of unit equipment.

### Troop Outdoor/Activities Chair

The unit outdoor/activities chair is appointed by the committee chairman to secure tour permits and permission to use camping site, serve as transportation coordinator, ensure a monthly outdoor program.

### Troop Membership Chair

The unit membership chair is appointed by the committee chairman to help ensure a smooth transition of new Scouts into the unit and orientation for new parents.

### Troop Training Chair

The unit training chair is appointed by the committee chairman to ensure training opportunities are available, maintain training records and materials, and is responsible for BSA Youth Protection training.

### Troop Public Relations Chair

The unit public relations chair is appointed by the committee chairman to inform parents of their responsibilities in Scouting and with the chartered organization. Provides news and announcements about the unit to newspapers, bulletins of sponsors, web sites, etc. Promotes and stimulates service projects, Scouting Anniversary Week, Scout Sunday or Scout Sabbath, and family participation in unit events. Promotes new membership and lets people in the neighborhood know that Scouting is available.

### Troop Friends of Scouting (FOS) Chair

The unit Friends of Scouting chair is appointed by the committee chairman to work closely with the unit committee on public relations for FOS; conducts annual FOS campaign to enroll family members and adult leaders in FOS; gives recognition to contributors and enrollees.

### **Troop Fundraising Chair**

The [Unit Fundraising Chair](#), also called the "Popcorn Kernel" in some [councils](#), is appointed by the committee chairman to supervise [Fundraising](#) and ensure that every youth member has the opportunity to participate in [Popcorn](#) sales or other council [Fundraising](#) events.

## **Direct youth contact leaders**

### **Troop Chaplain**

The [unit chaplain](#) is appointed by the committee chairman to provide spiritual tone, guide the [chaplain aide](#), give spiritual counseling, and promote the regular religious participation of each member.

### **Scoutmaster**

The [Scoutmaster](#) is the adult responsible for working directly with the Scouts to help them create the program for the troop. The Scoutmaster trains boy leaders to run the troop by providing direction, coaching, and support.

### **Assistant Scoutmaster(s)**

An [Assistant Scoutmaster](#) is one of the [adult leaders](#) age 18 or over who assist the Scoutmaster in delivering the troop program.