

## Cardinal District Committee Meeting November 17, 2022

There were 18 committee members in attendance by Zoom.

### District Chairman's Remarks

Members should have received a copy of the proposed minutes for the October 2022 meeting. A motion was made for approval of the minutes. Second and discussion. Minutes approved.

The Occoneechee Council Executive Board met today at noon. The treasurer reported that revenues were above budget and that the council is in good shape fiscally. The board approved the proposed budget for 2023. Some budget assumptions included an increase in the weekly camp fee to \$400 for youth and \$175 for adults. A 6% (average) raise for council employees was included and personnel costs will include adding an Exploring Executive, two District Executives, a Development Director, and a second Camp Ranger. There were also repairs to camp properties budgeted.

Term limits for council board members-at-large have been under study by Matt Nash and students from the Fuqua School of Business at Duke University. Matt will be conducting listening sessions in December 2022 to gather additional input before presenting a formal resolution for the board to consider some time in 2023. There will be no changes taking effect in 2023.

The most important item on the agenda was the resolution adopting a policy for the creation of Council-Registered Units (CRUs). For those of you who are not already aware, BSA and the US Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) announced one week ago that BSA and USCCB had reached agreements "enabling us to continue our long-standing relationship." Those included new chartered organization agreements for Catholic churches, as well as affiliation agreements and facilities use agreements. It is going to be up to the individual dioceses as to how they want to continue the Scouting program. The Raleigh Diocese has advised they have not yet received any formal guidance from the USCCB and Scouting units chartered to Catholic churches and men's organizations in the diocese would continue as usual for 2023 (although probably using the new form chartered organization agreement). If the Raleigh Diocese decides not to recharter units next year, the Council will follow the policies and procedures established for UMC units this year.

While not voted on by the council board, Occoneechee Council did publish last week its "Council Registered Units Requirements and Responsibilities" that outlines how the council is going to implement CRUs along with two information sheets from BSA National. I have sent everyone copies of those documents, and I do not plan to try to get into the details this evening. Right now, we are expected to have about 27 CRUs in the council and 11 CRUs in Cardinal District. Obviously, the situation is continuing to evolve, and the ad hoc council committee and staff will be continuing to work out the details for the transition to CRUs and their administration. The council is still clear in its desire that CRUs be a bridge until a unit can get a traditional charter partner, but one council board member remarked during the discussion that as more and more charter partners pull back or end their relationship with Scouting CRUs may very well become the norm.

A reminder - our annual Cardinal District Business Meeting will be on Saturday, January 7, 2023, from 9:00 am until noon at Saint Francis United Methodist Church in Cary.

The District Nominating Committee is finishing up its work and we anticipate sending the nominating committee report out to the District Committee on or before December 7, 2022, a month before our annual business meeting.

### District Commissioner Report

#### *District Overview*

Current District strength is 73 units  
(28 Cub Scout, 38 Scout BSA, 7 Crews, 1 Ship)

#### *New Units*

None this month

#### *Anticipated New Units*

P-971	Dec 22	Apex	(Waiting on adult applications)
T-444G	Dec 22	Fuquay-Varina	(Needs SM)
T-391G	Mar 23	Garner	

#### *Dropped Units*

P-333 will recharter 1 Jan 23 to change to calendar charter year  
All LFL and ScoutReach units will be moved to new District

Current District health score is 4.21 (down .01)

Hybrid District Roundtable 67 participants

#### *District Highlights*

Unit popcorn sales have been successful  
District units raised over \$400K this year  
Pack 216 is ranked 8th Nationally with \$88k in sales

#### *Recharter 2022*

Units are working recharter membership inventories  
Weekly "Meet the Commissioner" ZOOM meetings  
Last meeting 16 Nov Wednesday 8:00-9:00 PM

Fall recruiting drives have been successful

District-wide, we are up over this time last year

#### *Cardinal District Commissioner Strength*

Currently have 24 Registered Commissioners.

DC: 1  
ADC: 5  
UC: 12  
RTC: 6

24 out of 26 Commissioners have entered a contact in Commissioner Tools  
Still need minimum of 1 ADC and 6 UCs to meet recommended staffing requirements

#### Unit Service

##### Unit Contacts (Simple Assessments):

Eleven (11) commissioners recorded 180 contacts  
Year to Date: 1,804 simple assessments  
100% of District units have at least six (6) simple assessments  
Goal: 100% with at least six (6) unit contacts

##### Detailed Assessments:

Five (5) commissioners recorded 7 detailed assessments  
Year to Date: 93 detailed assessments  
100% of District units have had initial detailed assessment  
Average Unit Health Score: 4.21 (-0.01)  
Goal: 100% with one (1) detailed assessment per year

##### Unit Service Plans (USP):

73 units with current USP  
4 USPs completed this month  
46 USPs completed YTD (63.0%)

#### Recharter 2022

Six (6) units have initiated Internet Recharter 2.0  
None completed  
Anticipate losing two (2) units  
T-413  
Post 722

#### Unit Issues

P-971 waiting on adult applications to complete new Charter

##### Units at risk:

T-413 Troop Committee voted to not recharter in 2023  
\*SM and CC are stepping down, no one willing to step up

P-222 (down to three Cub Scouts after AOL crossover)  
\* The Pack is running a unit recruiting event on 20 Oct

#### District Roundtable

District Roundtable on 3 November  
Hybrid Roundtable

Total participation: 64 Scouters

48.9% of District units represented

In person: 44 Scouters      ZOOM: 20 Scouters

General Session:

Triangle Blue Star Mothers

Safety Moment: Trailer Safety

Breakout Sessions

Cub Scouts: Best Practices for Tiger Den Leaders

Scouts BSA: Order of the Arrow elections

Patrol Method – Ensuring Success

Next District Roundtable is 1 December 2022

#### Finance

No report.

#### Membership

Tyler reported there had been 12% growth in Cub Scouts for the council to date. Cardinal District had 1.16% growth for the year. Cardinal is close to balanced growth.

#### Communications & Marketing

Earlier in the meeting there was a discussion concerning the district's web pages.

#### Camping and Outdoor Program

No report. Chris advised that a paid "chuck wagon" dinner was under consideration for the District Camporee in March 2023 at a cost of approximately \$15 per person. This would be made optional.

#### Activities & Civic Service Report

Tim had reported for Courtney earlier in the meeting. Our district Pinewood Derby is March 11, 2023. There will be a District Cub Scout Shooting Sports event on June 10, 2023, and a Cub Scout Fishing Derby on June 25, 2023. The District Twilight Camp will be July 13-16, 2023. STEM as a separate program is on the way out.

#### Training

There were 18 Scouters at IOLS training in October and 17 Scouters at Position Specific Training in November. Another IOLS class is planned for February 2023 at Fuquay-Varina UMC.

#### Advancement & Recognition

The district has 83 Eagle ranks earned for the year along with one Summit and one Quartermaster. Tom also reported Scouts BSA and Cub Scout advancement to date.

#### Old Business

There was no old business.

*New Business*

There was no new business.

*Open Forum*

No discussion.

*Family Scouting Executive's Remarks*

Tyler encouraged attendance at the Council Executive Board annual meeting in January 2023.

*Next Meeting*

Annual Business Meeting – January 7, 2023