Twin Rivers District, Mid Iowa Council

### TROOP 182 RULES AND POLICIES APPROVED BY COMMITTEE DECISIONS as of March 17, 2018 (Changes Effective September 1, 2018)

## PARENT PARTICIPATION

The parents of the boys of Troop 182 are asked and encouraged to help with all troop activities. There is always a need for adult help. Without the help of parents, Troop 182 cannot function.

Adults planning to participate in outings or activities <u>need</u> to meet Troop 182's and BSA minimum training requirements.

BSA training requirements are as follows. <u>Complete</u> a 90 min. <u>New Leader Essentials;</u> <u>Complete Leader Specific Training; Complete Youth Protection Training.</u>

<u>Youth Protection Training</u> can be completed one of two ways, attending a Mid-Iowa Council course, which is offered once or twice a year. Or complete an on-line course, which is approx. 30min. long.

After completion of this part of the training, you will submit a copy of your completion certificate to our Advancement Chair.

If you wish to complete this part of your training on-line you can go to our web site **troop182.net**, link to Boy Scouts of America, Mid-Iowa Council and find the word Training.

### **ADVANCEMENTS**

- 1. The troop will strive to help each Scout attain rank advancements in a timely manner.
- 2. Parents will be required from time to time to give the leaders of the troop some help in attaining these advancements for the boys. The committee may call upon adults for help depending on what the adults are deemed proficient in.
- 3. Adults with boys in the troop are all encouraged to become merit badge counselors.
- 4. Boys needing special help with rank advancements will get the help they need.
- 5. Scouts will advance at their own pace, depending upon how much effort they are willing to put forth.
- 6. For a scout to receive proper credit for advancement requirements he must report them to the Advancement Chair person by showing them his signed book.
- 7. Scouts will receive their awards as quickly as possible when they earn them. Scouts will be recognized again at our quarterly Court of Honor meetings.
- 8. A scout may receive only one Board of Review at any given meeting.

## **FUND-RAISERS**

- 1. Troop 182 will do a variety of fund raisers at different times throughout the year.
- 2. The money raised is to support troop activities/camping, equipment purchases and necessary supplies.
- 3. Scouts who participate in fund raisers will be able to use a portion of the money towards their cost for scouting. Note: This money is still the troop's money, not the scout's.
- 4. As a general rule the portion of money raised that is available to the scout will be based on a 50/50 split.

50% of the profit will be divided by the number of participating Scouts and recorded in their individual troop account, and 50% of the profit will remain in the troop general fund.

- 5. Funds will be awarded based on <u>Scout's</u> participation. No substitutions will be allowed for the Scout.
- 6. Some fund-raisers will be held to benefit a specific event. (ex. High adventure trip)
- 7. Fund raising events will not be used for service hours.

# SCOUT/CAMPING ACCOUNTS

- 1. Each scout will have an account in which to draw from.
- 2. Troop fundraising activities will be one way in which these accounts will be added to. *(See 3 and 4 under fund raisers.)*
- **3.** Scout accounts are to be used for fees associated with Campouts, Summer Camps, High adventures, Jamborees and other scout related events. Funds may also be used for scout uniforms and scout handbook.<sup>2</sup> (*Effective September*, 2018)
- 4. In the event that a Scout leaves the troop, and does not recharter, his account will be returned to Troop 182's general account. (*See note under #3 in Fund-raisers*)
- 5. When a registered Scout in the troop turns 18, all remaining money in his account will be returned to Troop 182's general account. (*See note under #2 in Fund-raisers*)
- 6. Scouts who have siblings may share money between accounts.

## **CAMPOUTS AND OUTINGS**

- 1. The troop will conduct a planning session in the fall of each year to plan the outings for the next year.
- 2. Cost will be determined by committee based on two factors:
  - a. Outing's rental (campsite fee or activity fee).
  - b. Food and other costs such as fuel and/or supplies.
- 3. Cost will not be pro-rated for attendance at campouts.
- Refunds will not be made for scouts or adults not attending an event they have registered to attend. Cancellations must be made by the regular Monday meeting proceeding the event to avoid being charged. Cost will not be pro-rated for partial attendance at campouts and outings. Costs are often incurred by the Troop on individuals prior to departure.<sup>1</sup>
- 4. Full payment and permission slips must be turned in prior to departing on an outing.
- 5. Adults providing transportation for Scout's to events longer than 50 miles round trip will be reimbursed for fuel. Receipts required.
- 6. We will depart at the time specified. We will return as close as possible to the

1.Changed by committee vote May 2015

2.Changed by committee vote February 2018

specified time as we can.

- 7. Parents will be required to pick up and drop off their Scouts at the times listed unless other arrangements have been made.
- 8. On weekend camp-outs, dinner/supper will not be planned or provided on the first night, eat before you come. You may bring a snack.

# **Disciplinary Actions**

• <u>Fighting</u>

Fighting is <u>NOT</u> tolerated on any outing or activity. Anyone caught fighting will have disciplinary actions taken. Your son will be warned that this is his first offense. The Leader(s) that issued the first offense will notify parents after the outing is done. Second offense, he will be asked to leave the outing or activity. If second offense happens the parent will be notified and asked to come and pick their son up. If our outing or activity is farther than 50 miles one way, your son will remain on the outing, but will not be eligible to participate on the next two outings or activities. This does include <u>SUMMER CAMP AND HIGH</u> <u>ADVENTURE TRIPS.</u> No exceptions. If there is a third offense, your son will no longer be able to attend any outing or activity without <u>parent supervision</u>.

• <u>Vandalism</u>

Vandalism is a very serious offense and is  $\underline{NOT}$  tolerated on any outing or activity. Anyone caught vandalizing property will have to pay for all damages incurred from the offense. The leader will notify the parents of the offense. The second and third offense will reflect the same as the fighting policy above.

### **ORDER OF THE ARROW**

1. The troop will hold Order of the Arrow elections in accordance with O-A guidelines on a yearly basis.