**Troop ~ 215**

**Troop Bylaws**

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**BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**

**CHARTERED TO**

**First Christian Church**

**124 Trott Road**

**Richlands, NC 28574**

**Mission Statement**

Boy Scout Troop ~ 215 is an official unit of the Boy Scouts of America and an outreach ministry of First Christian Church of Richlands, NC. The goal of Troop ~ 215 is to promote self-esteem and self worth in our youth and to help them develop good habits and skills, which will enable them to realize their potential as future leaders and good citizens. Moral precepts as well as the enhancement of values, which are important to our society and our environment, will be stressed. Encouraging each youth to maintain high standards, set goals, and then to achieve those goals is central to our purpose.

**PURPOSE OF BYLAWS**

The purpose of these Bylaws is to provide guidance to the Senior Patrol Leader, Scout Leadership, and the Scoutmaster on the proper operation of Troop ~ 215 activities. The Scoutmaster is responsible for and has the authority to enforce these Bylaws and to encourage compliance by using the tried and true advice available in BSA publications. The Boy Scout Handbook, the Scoutmaster Handbook, the Guide to Safe Scouting, these Bylaws, and other BSA approved resources will be used to guide Troop ~ 215. Troop ~ 215 will endeavor by promise and practice to uphold all requirements as prescribed by BSA regulations.

**The Twelfth Point of the Scout Law**

 The twelfth point of the Scout Law is, "A Scout is Reverent." The Boy Scout takes an oath to do his duty to God. Troop 215 encourages each scout to do his duty to God and be reverent. Part of the First Class Scout advancement is for a scout to lead his patrol in grace before meals, prepared on a camping trip, are served. Nondenominational worship services are held at all formal scout events such as Camporees. We participate in Scout Sunday at First Christian Church each year. Remember it is not important how the scout performs his duty to God (this is a personal decision); it's just important that he does. A scout should discuss his beliefs with his parents and religious leaders. Scouts should endeavor to earn one of Scouting's many religious awards. Parents should do their part to make duty to God and reverence to God a part of each scout's home life, whatever their religious beliefs may be.

**I. REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS**

1. All youth applicants must be eleven years old, or have completed the fifth grade, or have earned the Arrow of Light at the time of registration. These eligibility requirements may be revised or waived as directed by the appropriate authority with the White Oak River District, East Carolina Council, or BSA.
2. All applications and re-charters must be accompanied by the appropriate fee, which are currently $60 annually. This fee includes the initial application and BSA insurance fee or the re-charter and insurance fee of $25 and troop dues of $35. A subscription to Boy’s Life magazine is optional but encouraged. A family with two or more boys registered in the Troop at the same time will be required to pay the $25 re-charter fee per boy but dues will reduced to $25 per boy. The re-charter/insurance fee for Adult Leaders participating in an average of three Troop activities per month will be paid for by the Troop.
3. Under most circumstances, applicants should attend three Troop meetings before being approved for membership as a Scout in Troop ~ 215. It is important that both the Scout and the Troop have time to get to know each other before the membership process is complete. No application for membership into Troop ~ 215 will be accepted without first signing a copy of these Bylaws.
4. A parent or legal guardian must accompany each applicant at the time of application.
5. Each Scout is required to pay dues for twelve months each year, whether he attends regularly or not.
6. The Troop Committee will consider requests for a prorated reimbursement of Troop dues for Scouts who are required to move before the end of the charter year.
7. Upon availability of funds, the Troop will pay the training costs of parents volunteering to participate as registered and trained adult leaders.
8. Transfers: Under most circumstances, potential transfers should attend three Troop meetings before the transfer application is submitted. A potential transfer must be in good standing with their former Troop. Troop ~ 215 will not accept discipline problem transfers from other Troops. No transfer application for membership into Troop ~ 215 will be accepted without first signing a copy of these Bylaws.
9. Rank transferred to Troop 215 will be in accordance with the Scout’s official Council record and as attested to, in writing, by the Scout’s former Scoutmaster.

**II. PARENT PARTICIPATION**

1. A fair and equitable share of assistance is expected from each parent and/or guardian.
2. On a rotating basis, parents will be expected to assists with transportation to and from campouts and Troop activities
3. Parents are expected to attend quarterly Courts of Honor.
4. Parents are encouraged to attend and assist with certain Troop meetings and activities, including campouts and service projects.
5. Parents are encouraged to participate as volunteers, registered adult leaders, and Committee members.
6. Only registered Committee members may vote on issues before the Committee.

**III. UNIFORMS**

1. The Field Uniform or "Class A” uniform consists of the official scout shirt, scout trousers or shorts, troop bolo, scout belt and buckle, and scout socks or knee socks along with footwear appropriate for the activity. The Activity Uniform or "Class B" uniform consists of any BSA-related T-shirt, (including the “Class A” shirt), shorts or jeans, and footwear appropriate for the activity.
2. Scouts are expected to wear the official "Class A" uniform at all Troop meetings and activities, all Scoutmaster Conferences and Boards of Review, at all Courts of Honor and other special events so designated by the Scoutmaster, and when traveling as a Troop to a function.
3. The Scoutmaster may designate the wearing of the “ Class A” uniform, “Class B” uniform, the Troop T-Shirt, Troop Sweatshirt, or other clothing as appropriate for Troop meetings or activities.
4. Dress shoes or semi-dress casual shoes (no tennis shoes or Crocks) shall be worn with a full “Class A” uniform for all formal occasions such as Scout Sunday, Courts of Honor, and Banquets.
5. Scouts should be prepared to stand a uniform inspection at any activity that requires a “Class A” uniform.
6. Scouts are expected to wear their merit badge sash to all formal Scouting events such as Courts of Honor, Scout Sunday, and any other events deemed appropriate by the Scoutmaster.

**IV. MEETING, ACTIVITIES AND PARTICIPATION**

1. Troop meetings will be held weekly on Monday nights at 7:00 PM at the Scout Hut in Richlands, unless otherwise stated.
2. The Scoutmaster may designate a different meeting night(s) to accommodate special circumstances.
3. A Service Patrol will arrive 15 minutes prior to the meeting time to set up the room for the Troop meeting and will remain 15 minutes after the meeting to clean up the meeting room.
4. The Service Patrol will rotate weekly as designated by the Senior Patrol Leader (SPL).
5. All Scouts registered with the Troop are expected to participate in all Troop fundraising activities. Occasionally, there will be fundraising opportunities for Scouts to raise funds specifically for summer camp or other costly function. Those Scouts not attending that function will not be expected to participate.
6. Each Scout will have a Scout Handbook, notebook and pen or pencil in his possession at all Troop meetings and activities unless otherwise instructed.
7. Scouts who make commitments to participate in Troop activities must faithfully keep all such commitments. Failure to keep a commitment without a valid excuse shows poor Scout Spirit and may result in a Scout not being advanced in rank and/or not maintaining his leadership position. At a minimum, the Scout is responsible for reimbursing the Troop or a fellow Patrol member for all expenditures (registration fees, transportation costs, food, etc) made on his behalf.
8. All Scouts should endeavor to attend a minimum of 75 % of all Troop meetings, campouts, and activities throughout the Scouting year. Credit may be given for attendance at additional scouting functions as approved by the Scoutmaster.
9. Each Scout will be encouraged and assisted to reach the highest rank attainable.

**V. DISCIPLINE**

1. The ideals of Boy Scouting are spelled out in the Scout Oath, the Scout Law, the Scout Motto, and the Scout Slogan. These ideals are encouraged, taught to, and expected of the Scouts in Troop ~ 215. As such, the leaders of Troop ~ 215 will not tolerate misbehavior such as the use of foul or obscene language; fighting; harassment; hazing; name-calling; disrespect to leadership; dangerous behavior that involves the health, safety, and welfare of other Scouts; failure to follow Troop or BSA policy; or any other unruly or disruptive behavior while participating in Troop functions. All cases of misbehavior will be reported to the Scoutmaster as soon as possible.
2. The Scoutmaster has the authority to discipline a Scout, in accordance with approved BSA standards, for conduct inconsistent with Scouting’s ideals. The Scoutmaster or any other Registered Adult Leader of Troop ~ 215 that is in charge of a Scouting activity has the authority to request that a parent pick up their Scout from that activity immediately for serious or repeated misconduct/misbehavior.
3. The Scoutmaster, a Registered Adult Leader, or a disciplined Scout and his parent or guardian may request from the Troop Committee a Special Investigation. A Special Investigation will endeavor to uncover all the facts related to an incident through interviews with participants and witnesses. A Special Investigation may be conducted by any combination of the Troop Committee, the Charter Organization, the District Executive, the District Committee, and a designee of the East Carolina Council BSA, as appropriate. If a Special Investigation determines that the Scout is deserving of disciplinary action, several options including a corrective action plan, suspension, or expulsion from the Troop may result. The Special Investigation may also determine that no further action is needed.
4. A Scout can be subject to disciplinary action, consistent with BSA policy, for offenses committed either within the Troop, as stated above, or for serious offenses or crimes committed outside the Troop.
5. The Scoutmaster may withhold from any Scout the approval of “Demonstrates Scout Spirit” when that Scout does not or has not conducted himself according to the Scout Oath and Law.

**VI. TROOP ELECTIONS AND LEADERSHIP**

1. Troop and Patrol elections will be conducted each May/June and November/December. Newly elected youth leaders will take their respective positions at the first meeting in June/July and December/January, respectively. Elections shall be held a minimum of six (6) months apart so that Scouts needing a position of responsibility can hold their position for the required six (6) months.
2. A new Senior Patrol Leader (SPL) will be elected each year at the May/June elections. The Assistant Senior Patrol Leader(s) (ASPL) may be appointed by the SPL, with adult leader concurrence, or may be SPL candidates who were not elected as the SPL.
3. The SPL is elected from current and former youth leaders. Unless waived by the Scoutmaster, each SPL candidate shall have held at least one position of responsibility and performed the responsibilities of the position to the satisfaction of the Scoutmaster before being eligible to run for SPL. This will help ensure the success of the boy and the Troop and will provide continuity within the Patrol Leaders Council (PLC).
4. Scout youth leaders should attend at least 80% of troop meetings and at least 80% of troop outings during their leadership time to qualify for the leadership rank requirement. With advanced approval of the Scoutmaster, other BSA-sponsored outings may count toward the participation total.
5. Unless waived by the Scoutmaster, the SPL and ASPL must be thirteen years of age, have received their Star Scout Rank (or above), and have attended National Youth Leader Training (NYLT) prior to being elected or appointed to their leadership positions. If NYLT has not yet been taken, then it should be taken during the term of office.
6. Unless waived by the Scoutmaster, Patrol Leaders must have received their First Class Rank prior to being elected to their leadership position. (Exception: Patrol Leader of the New Scout Patrol.) Patrol Leaders are encouraged to attend NYLT prior to or while in office.
7. Failure to properly fulfill the duties of his leadership position may cause the Scout to be dismissed from that position.
8. The Scoutmaster reserves the right to veto an elected/appointed youth leader if that Scout does not meet eligibility requirements for the position or if the Scout has behavior/attendance issues.
9. If required, the SPL and Scoutmaster can appoint youth leaders to positions to fill needed vacancies, or to assist scouts in meeting leadership requirements.
10. The Scoutmaster must be at least 21 years old. Assistant Scoutmaster should be at least 21 years old unless personally known by other adult leaders registered with Troop ~ 215.

**II. PATROL LEADERS COUNCIL (PLC)**

1. The PLC consists of the SPL, ASPL(s), one Patrol Leader or representative from each Patrol, the Troop Guide(s) from the new scout patrol(s), Troop Scribe, and all other Scouts holding Troop-level leadership positions. The Scoutmaster and/or Assistant Scoutmaster(s) attend as a coach and informational resource. The SPL may invite other Scouts or adults to attend monthly PLC meetings.
2. PLC meetings will be conducted monthly to evaluate and plan the current month's activities and to plan for the next month's activities, including Troop meetings, activities, camping programs, and service projects. The Scout and adult in charge of the current and next month's programs will be required to attend.
3. The PLC will work with the Troop Committee and Scoutmaster to develop the annual Troop calendar.
4. The Troop Scribe will keep records of those Scouts that attend PLC meetings. A Scout who misses two or more PLC meetings without a valid excuse may be dismissed from his leadership position, and another Scout will be appointed to take his place in the PLC.
5. All PLC members will be required to complete National Youth Leader Training within a reasonable time after their election/appointment.

**VIII. TROOP EQUIPMENT**

1. The Troop may make a wide variety of equipment available for use during Troop activities. This equipment may include items intended for group use, special purpose items, or items with sharp cutting edges.
2. The Troop will not normally provide any personal gear.
3. Entry to the Troop equipment storage area will be restricted to the Troop Quartermaster, his assistant(s), the Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmasters, and such other individuals who are authorized by the Quartermaster or Scoutmaster.
4. No Troop equipment, gear, or other items may be removed from, added to, or placed in the Troop equipment storage area without the prior knowledge and permission of the Troop Quartermaster.
5. Only Scouts or adult leaders who are active members of the Troop may check out equipment.
6. Personal use of Troop equipment is not ordinarily permitted but may be approved for special circumstances with the approval of the Troop Committee Chair upon the written request of the Scout or Scout Leader. First Christian Church members (per this same process) may check out items for church related functions.
7. The Troop Quartermaster shall be given a signed receipt for any equipment checked out. The receipt will show the name of the borrower, the check out date and time, a description of the equipment borrowed and its condition at that time.
8. The Troop Quartermaster shall use the check out receipt to verify that the proper equipment is returned and to verify any change in the condition of the equipment.
9. The Troop Quartermaster, with the concurrence of the Scoutmaster, may refuse to accept the return of any equipment that is dirty, damaged, or deemed to be unacceptable in his opinion.
10. The individual checking out the equipment will be responsible for the proper care and prompt return of the equipment, and for the replacement cost of any lost, destroyed, or abnormally damaged equipment.
11. The Troop will be responsible for the cost of repair or replacement of equipment due to normal wear.

**IX. PERSONAL EQUIPMENT**

1. Each individual will be responsible for the safety and care of that individual's personal equipment.
2. Each Scout is required to provide his own backpack, canteen, bedding, and any other personal camping equipment required for outdoor Troop activities. The Troop does have some backpacks that can be barrowed by newer Scouts.
3. Adult Leaders may use their own saws, axes, hatchets, cooking utensils, etc.
4. Scouts are not permitted to carry sheath knives, hatchets, axes and saws as part of their personal equipment.
5. Each Scout should possess a Scout knife or its equivalent.
6. A Scout may not use a knife, saw or axe unless he has earned the TOTE'N CHIP.
7. Any person who damages or destroys another's personal equipment/property will be required to replace or repair it, at the owner's option and with the Scoutmaster’s concurrence.
8. Scouts and Adult Leaders may carry any equipment they deem necessary for their comfort on outdoor activities, as long as it is not excessive, can be suitably packed, and is not otherwise disallowed.
9. Scouts are not permitted to use personal electronic/technology devices (i.e., radios, televisions, players/recorders, electronic games, personal computers, etc.) at Troop activities or on campouts, unless specifically authorized by the Scoutmaster.
10. Unless otherwise prohibited by the Scoutmaster, a Scout may have a cell phone or similar device but the phone may only be used in case of an emergency or as directed by the Scoutmaster or other Adult Leaders. The Scoutmaster or other Adult Leaders may confiscate a cell phone or an electronic device that is misused during a Troop function and hold it until the end of the function/event.

**X. MEDICAL, HEALTH, AND SAFETY**

1. Scouts will be required to have on file with the Troop, the Troop ~ 215 record of emergency data and the Boy Scout physical on the appropriate form required for participation in the scouting activity.
2. The Scoutmaster or his designated assistant may retain medicines and drugs, whether they are prescription or over-the-counter, at Troop activities. Medicines and drugs must remain in their original containers with dosing instructions included. Additionally, parents shall provide to the Scoutmaster in writing any additional/special instructions for administration of the medicine or drug. Exceptions may be made for inhalers dependent on the severity of the Scout's condition.
3. Scouts who have physical or mental disabilities will be encouraged to participate in all Troop activities to the extent they are able to do so. Parental support or assistance may be required.
4. BSA policy on medications, health care, and safety that conflict with these By-laws shall always take priority and shall prevail.
5. The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) prohibits the use of sheath knives by Scouts. All Scouts will comply with this policy. Axes, saws and hatchets will not be allowed at regular Troop meetings unless prior permission is received from the Scoutmaster.
6. Scouts and adult leaders will maintain personal cleanliness at all Troop activities.
7. The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) prohibits the use of alcoholic beverages and controlled substances at encampments or activities on property owned and/or operated by the BSA or at any activity involving participation of youth members.
8. Adult leaders should support the attitude that young adults are better off without tobacco, and shall refrain from the use of tobacco products at all BSA activities involving youth participants. All Scouting functions, meetings, and activities should be conducted on a tobacco-free basis, with tobacco use areas located away from all youth participants.
9. Scouts may not go swimming, nor use any type of boat, unless prior approval has been received from the Scoutmaster. Scouts shall comply with the rules and regulations governing aquatic safety contained in the most current version of the Guide to Safe Scouting and Safety Afloat by the Boy Scouts of America.
10. All Scouts are required to pass the BSA swim test annually in order to participate in Troop sponsored water activities which require that the Scout be designated as a “swimmer”.
11. All drivers transporting scouts must be at least twenty-one years of age and have a valid operator's license in their possession. All vehicles will be insured for the minimum amount of insurance required by the State of North Carolina. All drivers’ information shall be on the approved tour plan.
12. Scouts will obey the rules established by the drivers of vehicles used for transportation.
13. Seat belts are required for all occupants and must be in use when the vehicle is operated.
14. Scouts are not permitted to ride in open truck beds.
15. Scouts are not permitted to hang out of vehicle windows, throw anything from a vehicle or yell at pedestrians or drivers of other vehicles.

**XI. CAMPOUT RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. Only boys eligible for membership in Troop ~ 215 will be allowed to participate in Troop Campouts. Cub Scouts may not participate in Troop campouts unless the Scoutmaster and Cub Master approve a joint activity. Webelos interested in membership in Troop ~ 215 will be allowed to participate in a regular Troop campout at least once each year to assist them with Arrow of Light requirements. Only under extreme emergency conditions and then only with Troop Committee Chairperson and Scoutmaster approval may a non-member child of a registered scout leader attend a Troop camping event. Membership in the Troop and participation in its activities is a privilege that should be something for younger boys to look forward to. This practice is strongly discouraged and should only be approved when emergency childcare arrangements have to be made.
2. Scouts and other approved campers will not be permitted to participate in campouts without a current permission slip that has been signed by his parent or legal guardian prior to the campout.
3. Scouts and other approved campers are also required to have on file with the Troop the record of emergency data and Boy Scout physical on the appropriate form required for participation in the scouting activity.
4. The parent or guardian of a Scout or camper who misbehaves or disturbs a campout may be called to come and pick him up from the campsite.
5. All Scouts will travel to and from the campsite in the Class A uniform (see requirement III. B), unless otherwise instructed by the Scoutmaster.
6. Adult leaders are encouraged to wear Scout uniforms at all times.
7. Scouts will be permitted to change into other clothes after arriving at the campsite unless otherwise directed by the Scoutmaster.
8. No Scout is permitted to leave the campsite unless he has received prior approval from the Scoutmaster or SPL. Scouts leaving the campsite will use the buddy system.
9. Scouts will maintain the campsite in a clean and orderly manner at all times.
10. Scouts will use fuels as permitted by, and in accordance with, the procedures and policies set forth in the most current version of the Guide to Safe Scouting.
11. No fires will be built at a campsite unless prior approval has been received from the Scoutmaster. No fires, heaters or candles are permitted inside tents. Flame-lit hand warmers and all other open flame devices are also prohibited from use in tents.
12. Each patrol will set up its tents in the site approved by the SPL or the Scoutmaster.
13. Scouts will not borrow or use another Scout's or adult's equipment without first receiving their permission. Scouts will not go inside another Scout's tent unless permission has been received.
14. Scouts must ask for permission to enter the adult leaders' campsite.
15. The points and times of departure and return for campouts shall be as announced for that activity.
16. All fees due for troop activities will be paid on the stated due date which should ideally be no less than one week before the campout. None of these fees will be refunded if the Scout fails to attend. The food fee (maximum amount needed) for each outing will be established prior to the campout, if possible.

**XII. FINANCE**

1. In order to establish a Troop budget (planned revenue fundraisers and operational expenditures) the Treasurer, in consultation with the PLC, will prepare an annual budget for presentation to the Troop Committee in or about June of each year. The Troop Committee shall approve a budget no later than September of each year.
2. The Troop Committee shall approve fundraising activities for the Troop as part of the budget approval process each calendar year. Fundraising activities not included in the annual budget must also be approved by the Troop Committee prior to submittal to the East Carolina Council for approval.
3. The authorized signature on the Troop checks shall be that of the Troop Treasurer and may include the Scoutmaster and Committee Chair. Any one signature shall be sufficient.
4. Payments may be authorized for any expenses that are within the current budget, provided reimbursement requests are accompanied by proper documentation (such as receipts).
5. If an amount requested exceeds the budget, or is not otherwise reflected in the budget, approval of the Troop Committee must be obtained before funds can be disbursed.
6. The Troop Committee shall authorize non-budgeted Troop expenditures by a majority vote. In the event of an emergency, the approval of at least two Troop Committee member signatures must be obtained prior to any fund disbursement.
7. The Scoutmaster will be given a discretionary fund of $100.00 for emergency expenses. Funds will be replenished as they are depleted, upon submittal of approved receipts.
8. Scouts shall be able to participate in Troop fundraising activities and pay their own way. Budgeted Troop fundraisers are for the purposes of generating revenue to pay for Troop activities. Special fundraisers will be made available a couple of times per year during which Scouts may raise money to apply toward their re-charter, dues, and Boy Life subscription.
9. Scouts unable to pay their annual renewal expenses or summer camp expenses may be given temporary or permanent Scouterships but are expected to work at special fundraising opportunities to pay back those Scouterships. Scouts working at special fundraisers will have a share of the fundraiser’s total earnings, based on the amount of time the Scout participated in the fundraiser, applied toward the repayment of the amount of the Scoutership they received.

**XII. AMENDING BYLAWS AND TROOP PROCEDURES**

1. The Troop Committee may establish administrative procedures needed to govern Troop ~ 215’s activities, programs, and operation.
2. Such procedures shall be approved by a majority vote of members present at a Troop Committee meeting.
3. The PLC, Scoutmaster, or the Troop Committee may recommend changes or amendments to these Bylaws.
4. Changes and amendments to these Bylaws requested by the PLC must first be approved by (a) a two-thirds vote of the voting members present at an announced PLC meeting and (b) a two-thirds vote of the voting members present at an announced Troop Committee meeting. Changes requested by the Scoutmaster or Troop Committee only require a two-thirds vote of members present at an announced Troop Committee meeting.
5. These Bylaws are effective February 15, 2012.
6. These Bylaws were amended on January 28, 2013 by unanimous vote of the Troop Committee with an effective date of March 1, 2013.

**The Scout and his Parents shall sign the Bylaws Attestation Page and Membership Page, which follow. The attestation page shall remain in the Bylaws Book for reference. The membership page shall be submitted to the Troop Committee Chairperson for placement in the Troop Archives.Troop 215 Bylaws Attestation Page**

**Signatures**

We, the undersigned Scout/Scout Applicant and parent/guardian, have read the attached bylaws of Troop 215 and agree to adhere to these rules, regulations, and precepts. We will support Troop ~ 215 with our word, deed, time, talent, and resources. We will strive daily to do those things that will bring honor and dignity to our self, Troop ~ 215, and our Charter Organization (First Christian Church).

Scout/Scout Applicant \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**(Enter this page in the Bylaws Book)Troop 215 Membership Page**

**Signatures**

We the undersigned Scout/Scout Applicant and parent/guardian have read the bylaws of Troop 215 and agree to adhere to these rules, regulations, and precepts. We will support Troop ~ 215 with our word, deed, time, talent, and resources. We will strive daily to do those things that will bring honor and dignity to our self, Troop ~ 215, and our Charter Organization (First Christian Church).

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I have reviewed the Bylaws of Troop ~ 215 with the above signed applicant and his parent/guardian and recommend them for membership into Troop ~ 215.

Scoutmaster \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The above signed applicant is approved for membership into Troop ~ 215.

Troop Committee Chair: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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