



Kittatinny Lodge V
Order of the Arrow, BSA

Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
February 17, 2000



The February 17, 2000 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting was called to order by Vice Chief of Administration Jonathan Trump for the vacationing Lodge Chief.

Officer Reports

Chief - Jeff Reichart was not present to give a report.

Vice-Chief of Administration - Jonathan Trump thanked those who came to the meeting. He also invited everybody to come to the Lodge Leadership Development Course.

Vice-Chief of Activities - Joe Buchert was impressed by the number of youth in attendance. He asked everyone to share information about the LLDC with their units.

Secretary - The minutes from the January Lodge Executive Committee meeting were presented by Steve Dibler. Steve Kline moved to accept the minutes. Sean Reager seconded the motion. The motion carried. Steve also noticed that some chairmen are consistently not coming to the LEC meetings to represent their committees and wondered why they never are present and what their committees are doing. He also suggested that all chairmen who come to a LEC meeting have a committee report prepared instead of giving no report.

Treasurer - The January 2000 budget was presented by Tom Rahn. The motion to accept the budget was made by Steve Hrabak and was seconded by Chad Shade. The motion carried.

Committee Reports

Activities – Steve Kline noted that activities at weekend have becoming monotonous and that his committee is seeking suggestions for new activities.

Circle – No chairman present, no report.

CP&E – Steve Hrabak reported that elections are on schedule. He has not received any negative reports or problems from his district chairmen. Steve noted that he is getting more information to put into the "Where to Go Camping" booklet.

Ceremonies – No chairman present, no report.

Conclave – Chad Shade reported that the first NOAC payments were due on February 15. Chad said that Mr. Barner and his committee are working on coordinating Conclave plans. Chad also reported that Adviser Mike Reichart suggested a fundraiser to help defray NOAC costs for participants. JoAnne stated that she will seek information on fundraising and share it with Mr. Reichart. Chad's final note was that a re-vote will be taken on the NOAC patch, chenille, and pin designs due to the fact that the NOAC participants should have the final say in choosing designs. This vote will be taken at the NOAC meeting on April 2.

Kitchen - Sean Reager stated that his committee will be finalizing the menus for April and May on Sunday, February 20. They are still accepting suggestions. The only suggestion they have been given so far is Cream Chipped Beef for breakfast.

Kittatinny Inc. – Adviser Roger Mory noted that people can buy items from Kittatinny Inc. at any time.

Membership – No chairman present, no report.

Publications – Adviser Glenn Piper reported that the March/April 2000 Wolf's Tale is on schedule. The deadline for the May/June issue will be March 23, but that the committee would appreciate getting articles early at the March 16th Lodge Executive Committee Meeting.

Service – No chairman present, no report.

Ordeal – Adviser Tom Wolfinger stated that he is looking forward to the LLDC and meeting his committee members.

Brotherhood - No chairman present, no report.

Vigil – Adviser Dusty Stitzer noted that a Vigil outpost will be held Saturday night at the April weekend. He also stated that Vigil nomination forms will be distributed with Wolf's Tale and suggested that everyone nominate worthy individuals for the honor. Nominations are due Friday of the April weekend and the Vigil committee will meet that Friday at 10:30.

Health & Safety - No chairman present, no report.

Clans

Beaver – No chieftain present, no report.

Wild Potato – No chieftain present, no report.

Snipe - No chieftain present, no report.

Wolf – Clan Chieftain Seth Wolfinger had no report.

Turtle - No chieftain present, no report.

Adviser Reports

Lodge Adviser – Harry Hatt praised the good youth attendance at the meeting.

Staff Adviser – JoAnne Schoffstall commented on the following topics:

- A good deal on NOAC flaps crossed her desk. She suggested that the April 2 NOAC participant meeting be moved to an earlier date to get an excellent price on a 9-color flap through one of her suppliers.
- A brick for the new camp gateway will be bought to memorialize Jim Shallcross. Donations are being accepted at the council service center.
- Nine participants will be helping park cars at the Council Leadership Dinner at 5:00 pm on February 22 at the Sheraton Berkshire.
- Jonathan Trump is typing the "Where to Go Camping" booklet.
- She is still seeking staff members for summer camp.

Assoc. Lodge Adviser – Richard Keppler noted that summer camp is seeking volunteers for the week of July 30 – August 6 to take the place of those staff members going to NOAC.

Section Adviser – Barry Leister talked to the Northeast Region Director recently and noted that more changes will be introduced to the lodge through the Section. He also stated that Jake Hartman has replaced Jordan Hitchens as the Section Chief.

Old Business

- The camping discrepancy brought up at the last meeting was investigated. The Guide for Officers and Advisers, as well as the Scoutmaster's Handbook states that 6 days and 5 nights of camping are required for Ordeal candidacy. As a result, our current CP&E publications are out-of-date. Steve Hrabak volunteered to inform Joe Pietruszynski to update the necessary forms.
- Jonathan Trump is looking for volunteers to help type the "Where to Go Camping" booklet.
- All units should have a CP&E election by March 10.

New Business

- Tom Wolfinger is assembling a ceremony booklet for the Appalachian District Roundtable. If anyone is interested in a copy or wishes to help, contact him.
- Joe Buchert proposed the idea of creating a committee to perform crossover ceremonies because the demand is too much for a few individuals to accomplish. Several people expressed interest and the idea will be investigated.
- JoAnne Schoffstall got a phone call from a parent who was concerned and confused about the Ordeal for which her son was elected. Steve Hrabak and Steve Dibler agreed to draft an explanatory letter to attach to all outgoing CP&E materials to introduce the Order of the Arrow to new members and their families.

Good of the Order

- Harry Hatt noted that we should start encouraging early Brotherhood conversions in our units to prevent end-of-the-year panic that was experienced in 1999.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Steve Hrabak and seconded by Steve Kline. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen C. Dibler
1999-2000 Lodge Secretary

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