Kittatinny Lodge VOrder of the Arrow, BSA

Lodge Executive MeetingNovember 4, 2000

The October 19, 2000 Lodge Executive Meeting was called to order by Lodge Chief Joe Buchert.

Officer Report

- Chief- Joe Buchert encouraged the chairmen to bring their advisors to executive meetings and visa versa. Joe reminded everyone that there will be an executive meeting at 9 'o' clock on November 4th.
- Vice-Chief of Administrations- Tom Rahn explained how the bead box was always available after executive meetings and at important events.
- Vice-Chief of Activities- Steve Dibler explained to the committees that an important facet of an executive meeting is to use the executive committee as a sounding board, where new ideas may be expressed freely, and the committees can openly interact with each other. Steve also made everyone aware of the Kittatinny website.
- Secretary- Chad Shade thanked everyone who attended this executive meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Steve Dibler and seconded by Seth Wolfinger. The motion was carried.
- Treasurer- Kyle Luckenbill presented the budget. The motion to approve the budget was made by Josh Abramowicz and seconded by Steve Kline. The motion was carried.

Committee Reports

Activities- Steve Kline reported that activities is looking for brothers to help out for weekends, and they are also looking for innovative ideas for cracker barrels and more help. Steve suggested the introduction of a choker-making workshop during cracker barrel.

Circle- No report.

CP & E- Seth Wolfinger reported that CP & E is "ready to rock".

Ceremonies- Bob Cook reported that ceremonies is making many new additions and supplements to their regalia. Ceremonies is also looking to expand the ceremonies program by having at least two understudies for each part of the ceremony. If anyone is interested, they can contact either Bob Cook or Brandon Hafer.

Conference/Conclave- Steve Philips reported that the 2001 Conclave will be at Camp Mack this year. Steve observed that the National Jamboree overlaps Conclave. Steve also reminded the Lodge that NOAC 2002 will be held at the University of Indiana. Steve is working on supporting both Order of the Arrow activities at weekends.

Kitchen- No Report

Kittatinny Inc.- Roger Morey reported that the Lodge is anxiously awaiting fresh designs for the new Lodge flap and Kittatinny Award.

Membership- No Report.

Publications- Ben Trump reported that the next issue of the Wolf's Tale has been completed and may be expected very soon. Ben also expressed the need for articles in upcoming issues of the publication. For many people, the Wolf's Tale is their only connection with the Order and it is important to keep them well informed. This includes articles of any kind, but Ben especially encourages committee chairmen. Ben thanked everyone for their continual support.

Service- Andrew Hoffmaster thanked all of the crew chiefs that helped at the past weekends and asked that if anyone wants to be a crew chief during the April weekend, they should contact him.

Ordeal- Josh Abramowicz informed the Lodge that the Ordeal committee is fully functional. Josh reported that a new record of 13 elangomates was set at the past September weekend. Josh was thinking about arranging the elangomats using the patrol method but he is looking for opinions. Josh expressed his committee's need for a complete set of Spirit of the Arrow Booklets. Anyone who may help the Ordeal committee should contact Josh.

Brotherhood- Mike Miller, Dwight Davis, and Steve thanked everyone who tested at the September weekend. They asked that more Brothers would become testers for Brotherhood Day, November 4th. More numbers are required for conversion.

Vigil- No Report.

Health & Safety- No Report.

Clan Reports

Beaver- No Report.

Wild Potato- No Report.

Snipe- No Report.

Wolf- Jeremy Fisher reported that the Wolf clan is in order.

Turtle- No Report.

Adviser Reports

Lodge Advisor- Dick Keppler reported that youth participation is greatly appreciated. Dick expressed the need for all committee chairmen to hand in articles to the Wolfs Tale and the website. Dick reminded the CP & E committee that any problems or unanswerable questions should be dealt with as soon as they occur. Dick also discussed the immediate need for adult Ordeal members to convert. Dick reminded the Lodge that it is not a test but a review. Dick concluded by stating that anyone who is eligible for Brotherhood should make a conscience effort to be at the weekends.

Staff Advisor- JoAnne Schoffstall recognized Jono Trump for his outstanding work with the `Where To Go Camping' booklet. JoAnne also congratulated everyone who made the booklet possible.

Harry Hat thanked all of the youth and adult members who constantly manage to make sacrifices and endeavor to partake in weekends and other Lodge related events. Harry went on to thank the brothers who helped park cars for the Lodge in the past month but commented that participation at this particular event was lacking.

Old Business

None

New Business

A question was brought up concerning brotherhood conversion tests given to members who can't make it to the weekends. The question was delineated and home conversion tests are possible, but the Brotherhood committee must administer the test.

During this meeting, addendums or subtractions were made to the committee budget. Any committee not in attendance or not properly represented received the same budget from the previous year.

Activities - No Change. Brotherhood - No Change. Ceremonies - Ceremonies' budget was readjusted to \$600 due to foreseen regalia purchases and maintenance.

Circle - No Change.

C P & E - No Change.

Membership- No Change.

Ordeal - A change in the Ordeal's budget was undecided. A training seminar for elangomats is a concern of the Lodge, but a projected cost of such a seminar could not be ascertained.

Publications - No Change.

Service - No Change.

Vigil - No Change.

Founder's Award - No Change.

Health and Safety - No Change.

Kittatinny Award - No Change.

Recognition - No Change.

Steve Kline made a motion to approve the 2001 Budget and Bob Cook seconded the motion.

Steve Dibler presented two new Lodge flap designs to the Lodge. Steve reminded everyone that it is safer to have a very large variety of choices when deciding upon a new design, and everyone is encouraged to offer more ideas.

Jeremy Fisher presented several National Jamboree flaps to the Lodge. Jeremy suggested that all proceeds and profits from a National Jamboree flap would go to a NOAC fund Jeremy reminded the Lodge that 84 out of the 155 people going to the Jamboree are Order of the Arrow members.

Joe Buchert adamantly reminded the Lodge that the need for new Lodge flap designs is very important. The November executive meeting is going to be the deadline for all patch and flap designs.

Good of the Order

Joe Buchert proposed the formation of a church service committee. This new committee will take the burden off of the activities committee. Joe asked for any suggestions concerning chairmen or advisors.

Steve Dibler circulated a paper for brothers to write down their email addresses and become a part of the ever-expanding Kittatinny mailing list.

Glenn Piper added that the website is set up to enhance the speed of communication throughout the Lodge. Glenn included that the website has the ability to make communication cheaper and easier. With the mail redirector, web communication is also made safer. Aside from the website, Glenn stated that in addition to service to the camp, the Lodge should be actively helping the units and troops according to the National Legislation.

Harry Hat added that the troop representatives should definitely be hooked up to the Kittatinny email list in order to deliver up-to-date information to the troop.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bobby Cook and seconded by Dan Bingaman. The motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chad Shade 2000-2001 Lodge Secretary