Kittatinny Lodge V
Order of the Arrow, BSA

Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
March 1st, 2014

Attendance: Michael T. Barner, Michael C. Bellante, Rudy Benkert, Jonathan Carl, Kyle Dierolf, Edward L. Dundore, David S. Fry, Vaughn Golden, Matthew Kayhart, Richard Keppler, William Kimmel III, Barry Leister, Gerald C. Miller Jr., Cole Mitchell, David L. Muldowney, Austin Noguera, Joseph F. Pietruszynski, Glenn S. Piper, Kevin Reichart, Richard Michael Reichart, Zachary Rinker, Niko Silfies, Eric Silva, Steven S. Spease, Richard W. Zerbe Jr., Susan Zierle

The March 1st, 2014 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting was called to order by Lodge Chief Austin Noguera.

Officer Reports:

Chief – Lodge Chief Austin Noguera thanked everyone who attended the LLD. He also expressed his excitement for the banquet.

Vice-Chief of Administration – Vice-Chief of Administration Michael Van Etten was not present.

Vice-Chief of Activities – Vice-Chief of Activities Cole Mitchell presented his thoughts that the banquet will be fun. He also stated that the LLD would have been much better had the attendance been greater.

Secretary – Secretary Kevin Reichart presented the February 16th, 2014 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting minutes. Dean Clissa made a motion to accept them and Ceremonies Chairman Niko Silfies seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Treasurer – Treasurer Tyler Resch was not present.

Committee Reports:

Activities – Chairman Alex Smith was not present but Advisor William Kimmel presented their mutual idea for an Olympic themed weekend of sports that didn't quite make it. William stated that it should be a good activity with a lot of involvement by all members of the lodge. A motion was made by Conference/Conclave Chairman Robert Moyer and was seconded by Vigil Chairman Matthew Kayhart.

Brotherhood – Chairman Tony Stianchie was not present. Advisor Kyle Dierolf reported that the committee was waiting on mailing labels. He also encouraged everyone to promote brotherhood.

Ceremonies – Chairman Niko Silfies reported that the committee is trying to get a date for the upcoming workshop in March. He also reported the success of the Eagle Ceremony the ceremonies team performed after the last LEC meeting.

CP&E – Appalachian District Chairman Nicholas Spease reported the excellent progress of election season.

Communications – Chairman Vaughn Golden presented a price breakdown of the printed Wolf's Tale version. It was 37 Cents a copy in price. He also presented a breakdown of the communication system of the lodge as a whole. He brought up reviving "Smoke Signals" as a way to inform Troop Team Representatives of current lodge information.

Conference/Conclave –

Conference: Advisor Michael Barner presented a fundraising NOAC (National Order of the Arrow Conference) chenille. He brought up that there will be a pre-order paper given out and that the patches from that order would arrive by the September weekend. He also said that starting August 16th, 2014 they would start another round of orders. The patch would cost $10 per unit and would be an excellent fundraiser to pay for NOAC. He said that the bussing to and from had been arranged and a down payment has already been paid for us to reserve the bus. He also presented his newly appointed chairman Bobby Moyer. Mike also said that NOAC signup papers would be offered at the lodge banquet.

Conclave: Mike shared the theme of the conclave, which will be super heroes. He shared that a segment patch will be offered to complete by trading parts with other lodges. He shared that a patch form can be found on the Octoraro website. He reminded the lodge that we have 50 spots reserved but can take many more if needed. He concluded by saying that displays for both events will be available at the banquet.

Health and Safety – The Health and Safety Chairman was not present.

Historian – A Historian has not been found at this date.

Kitchen –Kitchen Chairman Tyler Moszcienski was not present.

Kitty Inc. – Advisor Edward Dundore reported that Kitty Inc. will be open at the banquet and that the standard lodge flap is running low with 500-600 remaining.

Membership – Advisor Glenn Piper reported that there are currently 716 lodge members within the lodge. He also stated that numbers are still down from previous years and that people need to pay their dues. He concluded with the need for more members and that the leadership is doing very well.

Ordeal – Ordeal Chairman Ben Strausser was not present.

Service – The Service Chairman Matthew Beekman was not present.

Troop Team Rep – A Troop Team Rep Chairman has not been found at this point.

Vigil – Vigil Chairman Matthew Kayhart said they were ready for their "thing".

Advisor Reports:

Lodge Advisor – Lodge Advisor Richard Zerbe thanked LLD presenters and said that we needed more youth to be in attendance. He said that the Banquet would be special and that he was looking forward to it. He concluded by covering the need for volunteers to be NLS staff.

Associate Lodge Advisor – Associate Lodge Advisor Richard Keppler thanked everyone for showing up for the day's events. He also thanked election teams for their good work. He also shared his hopes for a good time at the banquet as well as a good year.

Staff Advisor – Staff Advisor David Muldowney had nothing to report.

Supreme Chief of the Fire – The Supreme Chief of the Fire was not present.

Old Business:

- LLD: Cole Mitchell expressed that we had poor attendance but it went very well. He also said that the speakers did well. Robert Moyer commented on the great activities involved in the presentations and the fact that he was very engaged.

New Business:

- Austin Noguera stated that the Lodge Banquet is tonight and that a good time will be had.

- Austin Noguera reported that April weekend is the 25-27th and people should sign up as soon as possible. He also said the theme should be a lot of fun.
- Austin Noguera reported that the NLS is April 11th, 12th, and 13th. He said that volunteers are needed and that the region will appreciate staff. He concluded that people should please sign up.
- Austin Noguera reported that we have a lot of patches to be approved. Mike Barner said that in 1990 we had a set of anniversary patches for our 75th anniversary and that they complemented each other. We were asked to make a legacy patch that would combine our history into one for NOAC. Bill Kellner designed a patch that Mr. Barner presented. He asked for an approval of said patch. David Fry recommended that something be added regarding Indiandale as a part of our lodge history. A patch was approved with the addition of the Indiandale emblem. Bobby Moyer made a motion to approve the patch and Niko Silfies seconded the motion to approve the legacy flap for NOAC.

Good of the Order:

- Richard Keppler brought up a section high adventure scholarship. He said that the prerequisite is that you must attend conclave. Austin Noguera also mentioned the price difference and the benefits of using the scholarships.
- Austin Noguera brought forward the budget for the lodge year. Mr. Silva brought up the cost for the lodge web hosting and asked if it was included. It had already been factored in. Niko Silfies made a motion to accept the budget and Robert Moyer seconded the motion to approve it.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bobby Moyer and seconded by Dean Clissa. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

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