



**Kittatinny Lodge V**  
Order of the Arrow, BSA

**Lodge Executive Committee Meeting**  
December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014



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The December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting was called to order by Lodge Chief Austin Noguera.

**Attendance:**

Michael T. Barner, Rudy Benkert, Dylan Bieber, Stephen Daynorowicz, Kyle Dierolf, Edward L. Dundore, Ryan Dundore, William D. Garrett, Vaughn Golden, Brandon J Huey, Dean A. Huey, William Kimmel III, Glenn Leshner, David L. Muldowney, Austin Noguera, Thomas E. Piaskowski, Joseph F. Pietruszynski, Richard Reichart, Sherry L. Ritchey, Jareth C. Schmehl, Niko Silfies, Eric Silva, Andrew Simmons, Nicholas Spease, Benjamin Strausser, Neil Strausser, Richard Tylka, Patricia Wylezik-Pfeiffer, Allen Lee Youse, Susan Zierle

**Officer Reports:**

Chief – Lodge Chief Austin Noguera reported his thanks to all who were in attendance and his expectations for the upcoming year.

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

Vice-Chief of Activities – Vice-Chief of Activities Cole Mitchell reported his thanks to all who were in attendance. He thanked everyone for giving him the privilege of being an officer. He also shared his expectations for the day and also the year as a whole.

Secretary – Secretary Kevin Reichart presented the minutes from the October 19<sup>th</sup> meeting and explained that they would be typed and submitted to the website as soon as possible. He shared that they could be viewed after the meeting before they are typed if necessary. He also shared lodge correspondence that had been sent out since the last meeting.

Treasurer – Treasurer Tyler Resch was not present. Advisor Richie Tylka presented a treasurer's report as well as a proposed budget for the upcoming year. He explained the details of the budget and the committee breakdown. He also shared the process of online reimbursements. A motion was made to approve the budget by Ben Strausser. The motion seconded by Niko Silfies and passed.

## **Committee Reports:**

Activities – Activities Chairman Alex Smith was not present but Advisor William Kimmel shared that they would like to have themes submitted to them to assist them in planning the service weekends.

Brotherhood – Brotherhood Chairman Tony Stianchie had nothing to report other than that he had a great year as chairman. He also shared his expectations for the coming year and his excitement to be an officer.

Ceremonies – Ceremonies Co-Chairman Niko Silfies reported that the NOAC Dance team will be compiled soon and that it had been a good year.

CP&E – CP&E Chairman Co-Chairman Andrew Simmons reported the success of the meeting they had today before the LEC and their excitement for the election season.

Communications – Communications Chairman Vaughn Golden reported the status of the new wolfs tale. He also asked for people to record their current contact information on a paper he passed around. He also shared that 2 weeks from now they will be meeting to fold and tab the publications.

Conference/Conclave – Conference/Conclave Advisor Michael Barner shared that the contingent is ready to go and that there are open spots for youth. He also has patches for the group that is going. He explained that April 1<sup>st</sup> would be the date of online NOAC tool access and that on January 15<sup>th</sup> is the next payment due date. Eric Silva shared that if members did not get an email they can submit their current contact information to the communications committee to update the system. Austin Noguera shared that the conclave 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary patch would only be available for attending NOAC. He also stated that the sheets would be out to sign up Conclave in the near future.

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

Historian – The Lodge Historian was not present.

Kitchen – Kitchen Chairman Nick Spease reported that the April Weekend Menu would soon be finalized.

Kitty Inc. – Kitty Inc. Advisor Edward Dundore reported that an order was placed for books and sashes. He also stated that patches are now available for purchase.

Membership – Membership Chairman Pat Iezzoni was not present. Co-Advisor Joe Pietruszynski shared a breakdown of the membership statistics.

He also shared that as of the beginning of the week 217 members had payed their due

Ordeal – Ordeal Chairman Ben Strausser reported that 181 new ordeal members were inducted throughout the lodge year. He also explained that he was looking forward to a new year for the lodge.

Service – Service Chairman Matthew Beekman was not present. No report was given.

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

Vigil – Vigil Chairman Matthew Kayhart was not present. No report was given.

### **Advisor Reports:**

Lodge Advisor – Lodge Advisor Rudy Benkert had nothing to report.

Associate Lodge Advisor – Associate Lodge Advisor Richard Keppler was not present. No report was given.

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:**

- Austin Noguera shared that a patch had been designed and produced.

### **New Business:**

- Austin Noguera shared that the fellowship to be held today will be fun.
- Kevin Reichart reported the status of the LLD planning.
- Cole Mitchell shared the current banquet plans. He shared that the committee is working on the food and a patch, and that a location will be provided in March.
- Austin Noguera promoted Arrowmen service award. He explained that it can be worn on the sash and that there are separate requirements for youth and adult. He shared the details of all the requirements and that the Lodge Advisor signs off on all of the adults as well as youth.
- Austin Noguera also explained that Centurion award is available with nomination forms on the website. He stated that it can be offered for youth or adult service and can be given posthumously.

- Austin Noguera promoted Arrowtour and that it would arrive June 18<sup>th</sup> at camp. He explained that Brant Portner is planning it and that it is a mobile OA museum that is one of the requirements for the Service Award. .
- Austin Noguera stated that Northeast region gave a patch and it is available for everyone to have.
- A lodge Breakout session occurred with a separation of Adults and Youth.
- Austin Noguera reviewed the calendar year. He shared that meetings will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month and will start around 11am or 1pm.
- Austin Noguera shared the concept of a fellowship weekend and several theme ideas for the upcoming year.

**Good of the Order:**

- Ben Strausser shared his T-shirt design. It was discussed and then it was decided that samples will be made.
- The Supreme Chief of the Fire Bill Garrett wished everyone a happy holiday. He also shared the success of the council in the past year and that is ranked in the top 7 nationally. The council had a great 2014 and he assured everyone that 2015 would be even better.
- Kyle Dierolf stated that was approached to help with the STEM event to be held next weekend and that Lodge Members are needed to help with logistics. The event has 250 kids registered and lasts most of the day at Albright College.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Nick Spease and was seconded by Niko Silfies. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Kevin M. Reichart**

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