

Kittatinny Lodge VOrder of the Arrow, BSA

Lodge Executive Committee Meeting January 17, 2015



The January 17, 2015 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting was called to order by Lodge Chief Austin Noguera.

Attendance:

Michael T. Barner, Nathan Bender, Rudy Benkert, Dylan Bieber, Jack Calvert, Dustin Chapa, Kyle Dierolf, Edward L. Dundore, Russell Hobaugh, Brandon J Huey, Patrick Iezzoni, William Kimmel III, Benjamin Klein, Barry Leister, Cole Mitchell, David Morgan, Austin Noguera, Thomas E. Piaskowski, Joseph F. Pietruszynski, Glenn S. Piper, Richard Michael Reichart, Kevin Reichart, Tyler Josef Resch, Niko Silfies, Eric Silva, Nicholas Spease, Steven S. Spease, Anthony Stianchie, Benjamin Strausser, Neil Strausser, Julien Thomasset, Benjamin Wilder, Susan Zierle Officer Reports:

Chief – Lodge Chief Austin Noguera reported that a lot was planned for the 100 year anniversary and the he was looking forward to the New Year.

Vice-Chief of Administration – Vice-Chief of Administration Kevin Reichart thanked everyone for coming out and said that he was looking forward to the New Year.

Vice-Chief of Activities – Vice-Chief of Activities Tyler Resch reported that he was excited for the New Year and was ready to work with his fellow officers to get a lot accomplished.

Secretary – Secretary Tony Stianchie presented the minutes from the October and December meetings. The minuets were approved - First by Patrick Iezzoni, second by Cole Mitchell. The motion carried.

Treasurer – Treasurer Ben Kline reported that he did not have a Treasurer's Report for the January LEC, but will provide it at February's meeting.

Committee Reports:

Activities – Activities Chairman Alex Smith was not present, but Austin Noguera reported that Alex was looking forward towards the New Year and planning exciting activities.

Brotherhood – Brotherhood Chairman Ben Strausser reported he was optimistic and excited for the New Year.

Ceremonies – Ceremonies Co-Chairman Niko Silfies reported that the NOAC ceremonies team was ready to begin practicing for NOAC 2015

CP&E – CP&E Chairman Co-Chairman Nick Spease reported troop elections in all districts were underway.

Communications – Communications Chairman Vaughn Golden was not present, but Julien Thomasset reported that the communication team checked over the Kittatinny Website for mistakes and sent out the January edition of the "Wolf's Tale".

Conference/Conclave – Conference/Conclave Chairman Bobby Moyer was not present. Kevin Reichart reported that so far 89 Youth 29 Adults were going to attend NOAC 2015. Kevin also stated that May 15th will be the deadline for the 3rd and final payment for NOAC contingents.

Health and Safety – Lodge Health and Safety Chairman David Morgan reported that medical forms are required for Service Weekends. He stressed the purpose for the Medical Forms and encouraged everyone to relay the message to local troops.

Historian – The Lodge Historian Nate Bender reported that he was sorry about not coming to recent meeting, but is looking forward to becoming more active throughout the New Year.

Kitchen – Kitchen Chairman Nick Spease reported that he is busy planning the menu for the April and May weekends.

Kitty Inc. – Kitty Inc. Chairman Mason Dallatore was not present, but Ed Dunmore reported the new Lodge centennial flaps are in and are being sold for \$4.00/flap.

Membership – Membership Chairman Pat Iezzoni reported that membership within the lodge has gone down. He also stated that the number of people renewing their dues has been declining since 2010.

Ordeal – Ordeal Chairman Louis Goodman was not present.

Service – Service Chairman Matthew Beekman was not present.

Troop Team Rep – A Troop Team Rep Chairman was not present.

Vigil – Vigil Chairman Cole Mitchell reported that Vigil selection will take place at the Lodge Banquet on March 7, 2015.

Advisor Reports:

Lodge Advisor – Lodge Advisor Rudy Benkert reported He is excited for the New Year is looking forward to working with the whole lodge to make it a great year.

Associate Lodge Advisor – Associate Lodge Advisor Kyle Dieroff reported that he was ready to work with the Officers and LEC to make the best of the centennial year.

Staff Advisor – Staff Advisor David Muldowney was not present.

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

Old Business:

• The Lodge Fellowship Day took place in December and was a success.

New Business:

- Officers were Sworn In.
- Banquet- Different food options in store. Price would be \$15 Youth, \$20
 Adults. A Scouting Memorabilia room will be in the back of the church. Guest
 Speaker will be the 2011 NE Region Chief.
- LLD- 3 training cells each lasting one hour will take place before the Banquet on March 7, 2015. Austin stressed that chairmen are required to attend the LLD. It will begin at 9:00 am.
- Banquet Patch- A patch for the Lodge banquet was presented by Tony Stianchie. Motion to approve. First Nate Bender, Second Niko Silfies. Motion carried and was approved for the Banquet
- Lodge Goals- Austin Noguera was looking for goals that the officers and chairmen had for the New Year. One goal presented was increased attendance at events by improving communication throughout the year. Austin said that any officer is willing to hear other people's goals throughout the year.
- Beads- Patrick Iezzoni presented the idea of bringing back the bead system.
 Hopefully increasing participation. Mr. Barner stressed that the beads are in our bylaws and that we should either do it or remove it from the Bylaws.
- April Weekend- Beach theme was proposed by Austin. Approved First by Nick Spease and Seconded by Nathan Bender. The motion carried.
- NOAC 2015- Mr. Barner brought up the idea of selling left over items from the September patch auction to help offset the cost of NOAC at a Service Weekend. A motion to sell the left over was made First by Patrick Iezzoni and seconded by Nick Spease. The motion carried.

- 100th Anniversary items:
 - 1. Kittatinny 5 Socks. \$10 to make and will be sold for \$15/pair. Further research is to be done for the February meeting
 - 2. Sweatpants at a cost of \$30 to make with the Kittatinny logo. Further research is to be done for the February meeting
 - 3. Sweaters at a cost of \$33 for acrylic or \$40 for cotton were brought up. A preorder form is to be made up for February's meeting.
- ArrowTour- Will take place at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation on June 18, 2015. Austin talked about what activities will be held there and encouraged everyone to come out and see it.
- Lodge Legacy Rock- Kevin stated that Legacy rocks are available for Minisi and Memeu costing \$260 for both. A motion to approve the buying of the two rocks was made first by David Morgans and seconded by Cole Mitchell. The motion carried.
- Arrowman Service award- Austin Noguera stressed youth and adult to complete it. Upon Completion of the award, a patch is awarded which will be worn on the sash. Cards will be available at all Lodge events.
- Picnic/ barbeque day- Austin Nogeura brought up the idea of having a day at Blue Marsh. A date was not set. Austin said he will look into the idea and do more research. More information will be provided at February's meeting.

Good of the Order:

- Rudy Benkert said that the Centurion Award nominations are due by the end of the month.
- Mike Barner requested to speak with all contingents for NOAC after the meeting.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Nick Speaseand seconded by Patrick Jezzoni. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anthony Stianchie 2015 Lodge Secretary