



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



Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
August 21, 2016

The August 21, 2016 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting was called to order by Lodge Chief Tony Stianchie and took place at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation in the Kittatinny Room. The Obligation was recited.

Attendance:

~Available Upon Request~

Officer Reports:

Chief – Lodge Chief, Tony Stianchie, apologized for the lack of paper copys since the printer was broken. He also thanked everyone include Brotherhood and Ceremonies for their involvement over the Summer.

Vice-Chief of Administration – Vice-Chief of Administration, Tyler Resch, thanked everyone and heard nothing but good things about camp.

Vice-Chief of Activities – Vice-Chief of Activities, Ben Strausser, was not present

Secretary – Lodge Secretary, Vaughn Golden, was not present, however minutes were presented. Tony Scrolled through the minutes like the Star Wars opening. There was a solid amount of "Vaughn-bashing" for about five minutes as the LEC vented its frustration upon not being able to figure out how to view a PDF.

May Minutes: 1) John Conlen 2) Brandon Huey – Motion Carried

July Minutes: 1) Nick Spease 2) Andrew Fick- Motion Carried

Treasurer – Treasurer, David Morgan, was not present however finance reports were presented.

July Report: 1) Andrew Simmons 2) Cole Butz – Motion Carried

Committee Reports:

Activities – Activities chairman, Jacob Hensinger, was not present and had nothing to report.

Brotherhood – Brotherhood Chairman, Lewis Goodman III, had nothing new to report other than that he is looking for two to three volunteers to help with check-in for the September weekend.

Ceremonies – Ceremonies chairman, Brandon Huey, reported that work is in motion for the September weekend. A vigil ceremonialist is needed for the September weekend. The patch fundraiser was a huge success and the funds will start being used in September by fixing the first bench in the circle and possibly building more stairs on the bleachers. He also is looking at possibly purchasing new regalia. Brandon also noted he is looking to bring in someone to perform a drum team demonstration and will be taking on training in the next few months.

Camp Promotions and Elections – CP&E Chairman, Andrew Simmons, reported that CP&E is looking to host another training cell for election teams in December and will be working with whoever the upcoming CP&E chair.

Communications – Communications Chairman, Drew Fick was not present, but Tony announced that the deadline for Wolf's Tale articles is August 23rd.

Conference/Conclave – Conference/Conclave Chairman, Nathan Bender, had nothing to report.

Health and Safety – The Health and Safety Chairman, Mark Boran, was not present.

Historian – Historian Chairman, John Tyson, was not present.

Kitchen – Kitchen Chairman, Nick Spease, presented the menu for the September weekend and October Fellowship.

Kittatinny Inc. – Kitty Inc. Chairman, Dean Fick, was not present.

Membership – Membership Chairman John Conlen, presented reports on lodge membership and stated current lodge membership at 857 members.

Ordeal – Ordeal Chairman, Noah Kayhart, was not present.

Service – Service Chairman, Cole Butz, explained how sign up for service crews at the September weekend will now take place during check-in as to alleviate confusion Saturday morning.

Troop Team Rep –Troop Team Rep Chairman, Nathan Bender, reported TTR is currently still looking for volunteers and establishing those lines of communication.

Vigil – Vigil Chairman, Ben Klein, was not present, but thanked everyone for helping with callouts at camp and is looking for a vigil ceremonialist.

Ad-Hoc Conclave 2017- Conclave Chair, Lewis Goodman, reported that the committee is hard at work and will be holding a brief meeting following the LEC.

Banquet 2016- Tony said he will be working the Tyler Resch and Ben Strausser to make sure planning begins on this event.

Old Business:

- **Election Interpretation Issues-** Tony followed up on a discussion held during the July LEC regarding less extraverted scouts not getting elected on the basis of popularity. He reaffirmed that there isn't much the lodge can do, but will be adding a note to scoutmasters in the election packet that the scouts should be reminded to reinforce the ideals of a good arrowman. One way the lodge will suggest is to list service hours, days camping, and other data supporting an arrowman's scouting character.

New Business:

- **September Weekend Dues Increase-** John Conlen presented membership data supporting his later motion to require September ordeal candidates to pay dues for the following year. John moved to close the loophole allowing September Ordeal candidates to skip paying 2017 dues and require all members to renew their dues every calendar year. The motion was seconded by Nick Spease and carried.
- **Fellowship Weekend-** Tony explained that the registration deadline for the Fellowship Weekend is September 18th, which is the Sunday of the September weekend. He asked the LEC to push the fellowship heavily at the September weekend.
- **Patch Auction-** The patch auction normally held at the September weekend will now take place as a silent auction at the lodge banquet allowing members to enjoy weekend activities and help draw attention to the banquet.

- **Bylaw Proposal-** Tony proposed a bylaw change to add a position for the vice-chief of inductions to oversee the ordeal and brotherhood committees as to better implement an elangomat program. Andrew Simmons added that this was an idea presented at NEXT and heard about great success from it. Tony moved to propose the bylaw change at the September Weekend 1) Lewis Goodman III 2) Ben Weber, the motion carried.
- **Cub Adventure Days-** Tony explained that the lodge will once again help with parking and present a station at the Cub Adventure days which will be held on October.
- **September Weekend-** Tony reminded all the chairmen to register for the weekend seeing as very few have registered so far. Also, the revised and proposed weekend schedule will go into effect.

Adviser Reports:

- **Staff Adviser-** Staff Adviser, Adrienne Wrona, was not present.
- **Lodge Adviser-** Lodge Adviser, Rudy Benkert, was not present.
- **Associate Lodge Adviser-** Associate Lodge Adviser, Kyle Dierolf, thanked everyone for a good meeting and good discussion. He noted that Adrienne Wrona is now the staff adviser for the lodge. Kyle also asked everyone to take inventory of supplies they will need for the weekend, to promote the fellowship weekend, and to help be flexible with the vigil also going on the same weekend. He also noted, that he will be working to line up advisers for 2017. Kyle wished everyone a good school year and offered support.

Good of the Order:

- Andrew discussed the innovation, membership, and program activities that were presented at the National NEXT conference.

Respectfully Submitted,



Vaughn E. Golden
2016 Lodge Secretary