



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



**Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
January 15, 2017**

The January 15th, 2017 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting was called to order by Lodge Chief Tony Stianchie and took place in the Kittatinny Room at Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation. The Obligation was recited.

Attendance:

~Available Upon Request~

Officer Reports:

Chief - Lodge Chief, Tony Stianchie, thanked everyone for coming out. He stated that we have a good LEC lined up for the 2017 year. He and his officers look forward to working with the chairman and the Conclave Committee to get an excellent Conclave for this year. He explained that there would be a breakout session after new business. This will be used to explain the responsibilities of the youth and where they can take themselves with their respective jobs.

Vice-Chief of Administration - Vice-Chief of Administration, Andrew Simmons, introduced himself. He did not have much to report but wished everyone a good year.

Vice-Chief of Activities - Vice-Chief of Activities, Nick Spease, hopes for a good fun year and that people will show up to activities.

Secretary - Lodge Secretary, John Conlen, introduced himself. He had nothing to report.

Treasurer - Treasurer, Jake Hensinger, was not present. The December Finance Report was distributed. Tony explained that the treasurer issues a monthly report on the income and expenses. Lewis Goodman questioned a Conclave expense. Rudy clarified that

it was for the mailing of patches. He also explained the purpose of reserve funds.

Chief Tony Stianchie asked for a motion to approve the December Finance Report. The motion was made by Andrew Simmons and seconded by Nathan Bender. The motioned carried.

Committee Reports:

Brotherhood - Nathan Bender introduced himself. He did not have anything to report.

Camp Promotions and Elections - Mr. Price spoke on behalf of the CP&E chairman. He informed us that the elections for this year have started. The election reports from the Frontier and Appalachian districts were given to update the status for those elections. It was also asked that people are reminded to pay their 2017 dues.

Kitchen - Chris Kochel was not present.

Membership - Co-chairmen Josh Wentzel and Ben Weber were introduced. Josh asked that the LEC confirm their contact information.

Troop Team Rep - Was not present.

Vigil - Ben Klein was not present.

Activities - Dylan Bieber had nothing to report.

Ceremonies - Brandon Huey was not present.

Conference and Conclave - Was not present.

Health and Safety - Current vacancy in this chairman position.

Historian - Dustin Chappa had nothing to report

Kitty Inc. - Was not present.

Ordeal - Was not present.

Service - Cole Butz listed tasks to be completed at the upcoming weekends. These tasks include the completion of the Welcome Center, closing the bus shelter, painting the buildings and bathroom doors and camp beautification in preparation for camp school.

Communications - Andrew Fick had nothing to report.

Ad-Hoc:

Conclave 2017 - Lewis Goodman had nothing to report. All things had been covered in the Conclave Meeting prior to the LEC meeting.

Old Business:

- **CP&E** - Andrew Simmons reported that a training session was held in December. The committee plans on holding a second training session to gain more members.

New Business:

- **Vice-Chief of Activities Appointment** - Nick Spease was appointed to Vice-Chief of Activities
- **2017 Budget** - Rudy asked the committees if they have a budget that works for them. If changes are needed they should be taken to the treasurer, Jake Hensinger. These need to be accurate so that weekends have an equal balance. Tony asked for a motion to approve the 2017 budget. The motion was made by Dylan Bieber and seconded by Josh Wentzel. The motion carried.
- **NLS** - Tony introduced NLS. It will be held the weekends of March 10-12 and April 7-9. Four arrowmen can be sent to each event.
- **#LEAD** - Vaughn explained that #LEAD is a section training event that includes all the lodges in NE-6A and NE-6B. The event is on January 28th and costs \$20. New chairman are encouraged to go.

- **CP&E Patch Idea** - Andrew Simmons presented a patch idea that will be used as a way to get people into CP&E. CP&E is in need of members and the patch would be used as a reward/thank you to those that participate in 3 elections. Both adults and youth would get the patch. Cost for the patch would come out of the CP&E budget. Tony asked for a motion to approve the production of the patch. The motion was made by Nick Spease and seconded by Dylan Bieber. The motion carried.
- **Trail Work Crew** - The lodge had been asked to help clear a section on the Appalachian Trail. After a vote it was decided that the lodge would complete this on April 1st. Service Chairman Cole Butz will talk to the contact to get specifics on the project and to get supplies.
- **Texting Service** - A group texting service would be used to get information out to the members of the Lodge. Someone would be appointed to be in charge of handling the use of the app. Vaughn will do research on the subject.
- **LLD** - There was a change from what was stated on the handout. LLD is from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Lunch will be provided and there is no cost. Chairmen are encouraged to attend.
- **JTE Pin** - We earned JTE bronze status last year. As a commemoration we are getting 50-100 JTE bronze pins. The pins cost \$1.50 and will be sold for \$2.00 by Kitty Inc. Tony asked for a motion to approve the purchase. The motion was made by Lewis Goodman and seconded by Josh Wentzel. The motion carried.
- **Lodge Banquet** - The lodge banquet will be held on March 18th and is headed by Jacob Hensinger and Eric Ritchie. The patch design will be kept the same, but the date will be changed from 2016 to 2017. It will cost \$300 for new patches. Tony asked for a motion to approve the patch order. The motion was made by Josh Wentzel and was seconded by Nick Spease. The motion carried.
- **Future New Business Topics** - Tony asked that new business topics should be emailed to him prior to the LEC.
- **Attendance** - Chairmen should attend as many meetings as possible.

Advisor Reports:

Staff Advisor - The Staff Advisor, Adrienne Wrona, announced that 2017 will be a very big year for HMSR. There will be a new CIT program instituted for summer camp. Hawk Mountain will also be hosting a Cope and Climbing conference as well as National Camp School. A new Welcome Center will be built in the parking lot. She requested that members consider working on camp staff as this is one of the main ways to benefit the camp.

Lodge Advisor - Lodge Advisor, Kyle Dieroff, thanked everyone for coming out today. He stated that there are a lot of OA events happening this year and that we will need as much help as we can get. He told everyone that if they need help with anything in the lodge that they should look to their leadership. He also asked everyone to make sure their troop schedules an election.

Associate Lodge Advisor - Associate Lodge Advisor, Rudy Benkert, thanked everyone that helped the lodge last year and encouraged everyone to keep up the good work.

Good of the Order:

- The next LEC will take place after LLD in February.
- Former Lodge Secretary, Vaughn Golden, will post the previous meeting minutes on the website.

Lodge Chief, Tony Stianchie, asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Andrew Simmons.

Respectfully Submitted,

John J. Conlen III
2017 Lodge Secretary