# Kittatinny Lodge V Order of the Arrow, BSA

# Lodge Executive Committee Meeting August 19, 2018

The August 19, 2018 LEC meeting was called to order by Lodge Chief Andrew Simmons at 2:05 at the Nature Lodge. The obligation was recited.

# Officer Reports:

Lodge Chief: Lodge Chief Andrew Simmons introduced himself to the meeting. He then thanked everybody for coming out to the meeting then gave a quick intro on what was going to be discussed at the meeting. He then ended by exclaiming his excitement for the September weekend.

Vice Chief of Administration: Vice Chief of Administration Nick Spease introduced himself to the meeting. He then thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and informed the meeting that he is looking forward to the September weekend.

Vice Chief of Activities: Vice Chief of Activities Jacob Hensinger introduced himself to the meeting. He then informed the meeting that he is looking forward to the upcoming year.

Vice Chief of Inductions: Vice Chief of Inductions John Conlen introduced himself to the meeting. He then explained the duties and responsibilities of his position.

Secretary: Secretary Griffin Price introduced himself to the meeting. He then presented the May meeting minutes to the meeting. After a brief discussion Avery Millisock made a motion to approve the May minutes. Andrew Fick then seconded the motion. The motion carried Under secretary change April to may

Treasurer: Treasurer Zach Goodman introduced himself to the meeting. He then presented the May, June, and July expense reports. After a brief discussion on the May expense reports Nick Spease made a motion to approve the reports. John Conlen then seconded the motion. After a brief discussion of the June expense reports Nick Spease made a motion to approve the reports. John Conlen then seconded the motion. After a brief discussion of the July expense reports Jacob Hensinger made a motion to approve the reports. Ben Weber then seconded te motion. All the of the motions carried.

# **Committee Reports**

Kitchen: Kitchen Committee Chairman Chris Kochel introduced himself to the meeting. He then presented the September weekend menu. He then encouraged the meeting to send new and creative ideas for future menus, to do this you can send information to <a href="kitchen@kittatinny5.org">kitchen@kittatinny5.org</a> or go see Chris at a service weekend with your idea. Lodge Chief Andrew Simmons informed the meeting that due to construction at Willits, the weekend may be moved to Miller.

Membership: Membership Committee Chairman Ben Weber introduced himself to the meeting. He then encouraged all in attendance to sign in by giving their information on the sign in sheet. He then informed the meeting that 736 members had paid their dues. He then encouraged all of those in attendance to seek those who hadn't paid their dues and ask them to do so to be able to come to all of the fun and exciting activities that the lodge has to offer. He then ended by asking the ordeal chairman to encourage ordeal sign ups and asked the brotherhood chairman to remind all brotherhood members to pay their dues.

Troop/Team Representative: Troop/Team Representative Chairman Jeffrey Davenport introduced himself to the meeting. He informed the meeting that he would be emailing all the troops in council to seek and achieve Order of the Arrow unit of excellence. He informed the meeting that if 4% of troops participate that the lodge would be eligible for Bronze Journey to Excellence.

Vigil: Vigil Chairman Collin McCulloch was not present however Lodge Chief Andrew Simmons informed the meeting that the Vigil Weekend will be the first weekend of October. He encouraged all vigil members to come out and help out with the weekend.

Activities: Activities Chairman Jaydon Hensinger introduced himself to the meeting. He then informed the meeting that the Fellowship feast would be on November 24th at 6pm at the New Ringgold fire company. He then explained that the cost per person will be \$25. He then informed the meeting that the September weekend is Halloween themed and that there would be a costume contest, a haunted trail back from the ceremony and a few games during Saturday night cracker barrel. Lodge Chief Andrew Simmons then informed the meeting that Richard Fisher is working on his Woodbadge ticket and that he would be doing an activity on Friday night. Vice Chief of Activities Jacob Hensinger then informed the meeting that he would be working independetly but would need a few volunteers for demonstrations.

Ceremonies: Ceremonies Chairman Brandon Huey was not present however Vice Chief of Activities Jacob Hensinger thanked everyone who helped out during the summer ceremonies on Brandon's behalf. He then stressed the importance of joining committees. He then finished off by explaining that he would like to grow the ceremonies team with a dance team and a drum team as seen from NOAC.

Conference/Conclave: Conference/Conclave Chairman Cole Geisinger was not present however Vice Chief of Activities Jacob Hensinger informed the meeting that Cole was pleased with how Conclave went and encouraged everyone to sign up for the 2019 Conclave at Camp Horseshoe.

Health & Safety: Health & Safety Chairman Zander Kahres was not present and no report was given.

Historian: Historian Gus Gardella was not present however Vice Chief of Activities Jacob Hensinger informed the meeting that Gus took pictures at NOAC and is excited to put them on the website. Historian Adviser Mike Barner then informed the lodge that he has requested from National all of the files that they have of Lodge 5. He then explained that this will prove very useful for the 100th anniversary in 2021.

Kitty INC: Kitty INC Chairman Avery Millisock introduced himself to the meeting. He then informed the meeting that Kitty INC has just gained 5 new members and that many new ideas are in process and are going to be proposed in the near. He then presented ideas for a lodge hoodie and a lodge nalgene. After a brief discussion on different additions to these items, the idea was held off from being put into motion and Avery was asked to come back with a price to produce and a price to sell. He then asked the meeting if Kittatinny goes through a certain company for their merchandise. Vice Chief of Activities Jacob Hensinger responded by letting him know that there is no specific company and to find the company with the best offer.

Service: Service Chairman Cole Butz was not present however Vice Chief of Activities informed the meeting that Cole would like to encourage all to come out to a Camp Maintenance weeked. They occur on the 2nd Saturday of every month. He then informed the meeting that Cole is working on finalizing the list of service projects for the weekend.

Camp Promotions & Elections: Camp Promotions & Elections chairman Steven Bolt was not present however Vice Chief of Inductions informed the meeting that a new video for elections will be coming soon which includes Lodge Chief Andrew Simmons, Ne6b Section Chief Colin Heckman, and Northeast Region Chief Justin St. Louis. Troop/Team Representative Adviser then praised Andrew on his hard work on coordinating and working on the video. Camp Promotions & Elections Adviser Geoff Price then informed the meeting that there will be a meeting for CP&E during the September weekend which will include 6-12 arrowman

Ordeal: Ordeal Chairman Kevin Gimell was not present however Lodge Chief Andrew Simmons asked John to remind Kevin to encourage all of the remaining candidates to come to the weekend. Troop/Team Representative Adviser then informed the meeting that there are 48 candidates still needing to take their ordeal and that only 4 have signed up for the weekend. He then encouraged the meeting to seek those scouts and encourage them to come.

Brotherhood: Brotherhood Chairman Nathan Bender was not present however Brotherhood committee member Jeremy Kirlin informed the meeting that the Brotherhood committee was very busy over the summer with Brotherhood conversions. He then informed the meeting that over the summer 18 arrowman completed their Brotherhood.

Communications: Communications Chairman Andrew Fick introduced himself to the meeting. He then informed the meeting that Wolf's Tale articles are due on August 21st and encouraged the meeting to send in an article.

#### ADHOC

Centennial Committee: Centennial Committee Chairman Jacob Hensinger informed the meeting that the Lodge's 100th anniversary is coming up in 2021 and that this is the best time to start planning for the occasion. He then informed the meeting that there will be a meeting on September 4th at 7:00pm in the Stem building for anyone interested in the 100th anniversary. He encouraged everyone to come to give input for the event.

#### **Old Business**

Conclave: Lodge Chief Andrew Simmons informed the meeting that in June the section conclave took place and it was a great conclave. He expressed his enjoyment of the Kittatinny 5 champions of Volleyball and Ultimate Frisbee. He then informed the meeting that the new lodge officer slate was sworn in at the end of Conclave. He then finished off by encouraging everyone to sign up for the 2019 Conclave at Camp Horseshoe.

NOAC: NOAC Contingent Chairman Nick Spease informed the meeting that from July 30-August 4 the lodge sent a contingent of 35 delegates to the National Order of the Arrow Conference. He then explained that the lodge participated in flag football, volleyball, the escape rooms, and the great stadium shows. He then expressed his pleasure with the contingent's behavior and the fact that there were 0 problems during the trip. Historian Adviser then recognized both Nick Spease and NOAC Contingent Adviser Matt Davenport for all of their hard work in coordinating our contingent. NOAC Contingent Adviser Matt Davenport informed the meeting that he enjoyed NOAC and was grateful for the opportunity of being the ADviser for the event.

Summer Camp: Summer Chieftan John Conlen informed the meeting that summer camp went well. He explained that there were 18 brotherhood conversions and only 1 more Vigil callout to occur. Lodge Advisor Glenn Piper then thanked John and his summer staff for all of their hard work.

### **New Business**

September Weekend: Lodge Chief informed the meeting that the September weekend is Halloween themed and encouraged all to bring costumes. He then encouraged the meeting to reach out to arrowman to attend. He then informed the meeting that the lodge is looking to reach a goal of having 900 arrowman pay their dues. Currently only 736 have.

LLD: Lodge Chief Andrew Simmons informed the meeting that the Lodge Leadership Development will be on October 27th at the offices near Wyomissing. It will be a full day of training. He then informed the lodge that he and a few other arrowman went to a training on LLD at NOAC and that their is a program where you can see what your lodge should have training for.

Banquet: Banquet Leader Jaydon Hensinger informed the meeting that the lodge banquet will be at the New Ringgold fire company and that Hess Catering will be providing the food. He explained that the banquet is where lodge awards are handed out and it is a good time for fellowship for the arrowman. After a long discussion it was decided that there would be no theme, we will from now on refer to it as the Fellowship Feast, we would like to have a guest speaker, there is interest in producing a dangle patch, and there was interest in producing a shanneel.

### **Adviser Remarks**

Staff Adviser: Staff Adviser Roland Miner was not present and no reports was given. Not Here not new

Lodge Advisor: Lodge Advisor Glenn Piper informed the meeting that there is a lot of energy for the First LEC of the year and that it's good to see that. He then encouraged those who hadn't attended NLS to sign up for the November training. He then explained the Journey to Excellence scorecard for 2019 has been given out and that some of the criteria has changed. He then expressed his excitement for the 100th anniversary and encouraged all to celebrate from now until then. He then encouraged the committees to push committee development and encouraged the meeting to hand in an article for Wolf's Tale. He then stressed the importance of staying 2-3 months ahead of the curb.

Associate Lodge Adviser: Associate Lodge Adviser Rudy Benkert stressed the importance of inter committee communication before and after the LEC meetings. He explained that it is important for the productivity and execution of the lodge.

#### Good of the Order

- Andrew Simmons informed the meeting that he is working on the calendar and stressed the importance on being ahead of the game and prepared for the next few events.
- Dave Fry informed the meeting that Unami traderee was coming up and suggested that the lodge have a booth to advertise the OA and what our lodge does.
- David Bailey suggested to look at the participation award for a similar sort of award for the 100th anniversary.
- Jacob Hensinger reminded the meeting that the 100th anniversary meeting is on September 4th.

# <u>Adjournment</u>

Adjournment: Nick Spease made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.