

Kittatinny Lodge 5

Order of the Arrow, BSA

Lodge Executive Committee Meeting

September 17, 2023

The September Lodge Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 9:14 in Willits Dining Hall by Lodge Chief Scotia Foose. The obligation was recited.

Opening - Scotia thanked everyone for attending and helping out this weekend. It was announced that there are new members in the lodge and new scout executives present. Davis Fox thanked the lodge on behalf of the council. This is the 5th council he's been a part of. He said he is envious of youth and the recent members, and that it is time to embrace challenges. Mr. Silva presented Scotia with her red and whistle chief's bolo.

Lodge Chief - Scotia thanked everyone for attending and working together. She said these weekends are amazing.

Vice-Chief of Administration - Matt handed out the participation award patch to Justin Zimmerman, Bill Bandholz, and Stephen Sieger, as well as participation pins for Jared Eyer, and Jesse Zimmerman.

Vice-Chief of Activities - Will didn't have much to report but thanked Nolan for planning the weekend, as well as Sam, and thanked Trevor for stepping in as the Health Officer. Jacob is the new Historian chairman.

Vice-Chief of Inductions - Boone oversaw this weekend. Nolan filled in for the ordeal chairman duties. Chris stepped up as a brotherhood chairman. Josiah stayed this weekend. He thanked the people that helped

Secretary- Joe handed out the minutes from last month. Logan Westlake motioned to approve. Simon Thorpe seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer- Jonathan LaBruto could not attend, but sent his report. Started with \$19,012.23 ended with \$13,369.06 in general fund. Started with \$26,936.14 in the weekend fund and we ended with \$28,064.05 . The Conclave Fund started with \$6,159.30 and ended with \$0 as we

paid our part to Section E-11, The NOAC fund started with \$9,541.11 and ended with \$9,541.11. Simon Thorpe motioned to approve. Logan Westlake seconded. Motion passed.

Administration Led Committees

Communications- Logan said he is trying to do better at his job. He encouraged anyone to contact him if they have any upcoming events or if they want to join his committee.

Kitchen- Matt is in charge of the kitchen, and he thanked everyone on the committee and Mr. Parker for the meals.

Membership- We gained 20 new ordeal members and 5 new brotherhood members.

Unit rep- His job is to Communicate with the troops. He has been working on doing more.

Vigil- He congratulated the vigil electees. Working on preparing for vigil weekend. More information to come out this evening.

ACTIVITIES LED

Activities- He tries to be fun. He is also trying to plan more for the weekends, but not much to report.

Conference conclave- Vacant, looking for a chair for the Conference/Conclave Committee.. Conclave will be at Camp Mack next June.

Health and Safety- Trevor filled in for Health and Safety. No incidents to report from this weekend.

Historian- Jacob Tice is the new chairman. Making a patch booklet to keep track of what we have. He is also working on a history book for the 3 lodges. He requests any wolf's tails and info from the past.

Kittatinny Incorporated- The chairman couldn't make it. Kitty Inc. sold merchandise last night and made some money. Online orders are available for pickup at the council office.

Service- This was a big weekend for service. Most of the camp winterized and all but one campsite was taken down and the dam was cleared up.

Inductions Led

Camp Promotions and Elections- Ian Hopkins is the new chair. He is working on building teams and training.

Ceremonies- Alyssa filled in for Josiah this weekend. She thanked everyone who helped this weekend. They had enough to do two completely separate teams. She encourages anyone interested to reach out to any youth on ceremonies to join.

Elangomat- He wasn't here but Boone had a great group of Elangomats. They had a very successful weekend.

Ordeal- He would work with the elangomat chair but we don't have a chairman. We might merge the two committees.

Brotherhood- Chris filled in this weekend for Christina and there were no problems, 5 new brotherhood members his weekend. Congrats to the new brotherhood members.

AD HOC

NOAC 2024- next year. You can reserve a spot for \$100 in the coming weeks. It's in Colorado and we are planning on flying, so we need to fundraise. Mrs. Wilder is the Adviser for NOAC and she explained the process. \$625 is the base price. We might add some additional activities. It is open to youth and adults. Deposit goes toward your total price.

OLD

Campfire Circle project- There was nothing new to report

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NEW

Officer Slate confirmation- Scotia explained the slate and how to run against the slate. Boone Webb as Chief, Vice-Chief of Administration is Scotia Foose, Vice-Chief of Activities is Will Bruderick, Vice Chief of Inductions is Christina Rohm, Secretary is Joe Campbell, Treasurer is Will Coull. Congrats to everyone. Mr. Silva explained the elections. Scotia Matt and Boone are running. We need an election right now. Each candidate got a chance to talk. Boone went first. He explained his experience in scouts and the OA and his participation in the council. Scotia went second. She explained how she is the current chief. This is her first weekend as the Chief.

She explained her participation in the council and leadership. One goal is to get funds for NOAC. Matt was last. He explained his position in the lodge and his short history in the lodge. He also explained his participation in the council and camp staff. He also would like to raise funds and get NOAC running. He also wants to fill out the committees. He would like to do more for the lodge. Ballots were handed out. The votes were collected. Logan Westlake led a song while the votes were counted. The 2024 Chief is Boone Webb. The Slate remains what it was in May. Andres Rodrigues motions to approve. Daniel Roberts seconded. Motion carried.

Radios- Will Bruderick announced that the Health and Safety team is looking at getting new radios for the april weekend.

Adviser Remarks

Staff- Ryan Sagnip is the middle person between the lodge and the council. He spoke with ranger Kevin on his way in, and congratulated the new members, brotherhoods and vigil candidates. He encourages bringing more youth into scouting. He hopes to see everyone at future weekends

Associate- Jared eyer associate adviser of activities- He thanked everyone for their service and activities this weekend. Mrs.Wilder, associate adviser of administration, congratulated all on the weekend with the service and ceremonies. She encouraged everyone to think about what you can get out of scouting and the lodge.

Lodge- We had a fantastic weekend. The weather was much better this weekend than previous ones. We got a lot of service done and everyone was working very hard. The ceremonies keep getting better as we do more. He likes to see all of the new faces here this weekend. Thanked Chris, Trevor, Nolan, and Boone for helping so much this weekend and stepping up. He encourages everyone to reach out and join a committee. The banquet is December 16th. Thanks once more to everyone.

Good of the Order- Logan talked about how more people need to join committees. He said to find one of your interests and join a committee related to those interests. It is the best way to get active in the lodge and the OA. It helps keep everything moving and as good as it is.

There is extra food to take home. We need a couple crews to help and clean up at the end of the meeting. Maggie Thorpe was recognized as the E-11 section chief. She is the head of the 5 local lodges. She talked about the beads. She emotionally handed it off to Matt. Matt mentioned that we are still looking for NOAC patch designs. Boone said you need to collect packets if you took your ordeal or brotherhood.

Simon Thorpe motioned to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 am.