

Netawatwees Lodge 424
Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
Minutes – November 21, 2004



Chief Canning called the meeting to order and led the attendees in the Obligation of the Order.

Chapter Updates

Forest Trails – Will be bowling at King Pin Lanes in Cambridge on Sunday, December 5, 2004 at 2 p.m.

Wapagoklis – Recently elected Clint Durbin as Chapter Chief of Troop 342. Discussed winter banquet and is working on rejuvenation.

Yandata – No report.

Zane Trace – Trying to get active again, had 3-4 members attend ALTC.

Old Business

1. Membership Audit
 - a. The goal of 261 members has been met and exceeded. As of today, we have 267 paid members. Many of those who paid also paid for 2005.
 - b. Reminding members of their dues seems to work very well, we would like to do this again next year if possible.
 - c. We would not do another audit form for another few years.
2. Area Leadership Training Conference
 - a. Several members attended and learned valuable lessons about managing and leading the lodge.
3. Winter Banquet
 - a. January 8, 2005
 - b. 6 p.m. Registration, 6:30 dinner.
 - c. Vine St. Christian Church, 105 E Vine Street, Mt. Vernon
 - d. Cost is \$12.50, register by December 31, 2004 with the Scout Office
 - e. Brian Seeton has been asked to speak, we are awaiting confirmation
 - f. Ron Rosser has submitted an article for Scouter News
 - g. Guests of Arrowmen are invited to attend. In the past, this has been an unstated policy that may have confused things.
 - h. Presentation on LLD & Service Corps/Leadership in Service award will be done also.
4. National Quality Lodge & Rechartering
 - a. Forms were completed today
 - b. We met the requirements for Quality Lodge again this year.
5. Unit Election Issues
 - a. First, a proposal was made that all Unit Election forms be mailed to Linda at MVSR so that they could be properly recorded and entered into the Lodge database.
 - b. Election teams need to submit the forms to either their chapter chief or advisor, to be determined by the chapter leadership.
 - c. The chapters then need to make copies of the forms and mail them to Linda Udischas, 16905 CR 271, Coshocton, OH 43812.
 - d. Troops need to be given a list of names of who was elected so they correctly identify the candidates during the tap out.

- e. A letter to be sent to Scoutmasters was presented to the LEC for consideration. A motion was made to give the authority to the Key 3 to finalize the letter's content and to determine the best way to distribute it.
 - f. A draft of unit election policies and procedures was presented and sent to officers and advisers afterwards. They will be updated following critiques and presented at the next LEC.
 - g. A list of those elected will be given to those operating the tap out(s) so that only the proper people are selected.
6. Chapter Revitalization
- a. Chapters have \$50 to spend as they see fit to enhance their program and efficacy.
 - b. Forest Trails has decided to spend its money on a service project to the church at which they meet in March.

New Business

- 1. Lodge Leadership Development Course
 - a. Will start Friday evening, March 18, 2005 with a cracker barrel.
 - b. Training sessions in the morning followed by an LEC and camp games in the afternoon.
 - c. Kevin Peyton was elected as the Chairman of the event and will be assisted by Nick Angles
 - d. The Key 3 will have control over the budget for the event.
 - e. Trainers are needed, a tentative list of training cells was distributed.
 - f. A tentative schedule was also reviewed.
 - g. The event will finish after dinner on Saturday.
- 2. Unit Elections & Camp Promotions
 - a. Adam Courtright made a presentation on a proposed program to help inform Scoutmasters about what the OA is all about.
 - i. We would like to make a short class available to Scoutmasters at major events like spring camporees, summer camp, and possibly the Merit Badge college
 - ii. The class would highlight how the lodge could help the troop and vice versa; how unit election and tap out policies work; and communications between lodge and troop (troop representative program).
 - iii. We would also like to have literature on Troop Rep program and other lodge programs available at the summer camp meeting in March for distribution to troops.
 - iv. More on this proposal will be developed by the next LEC.
 - b. Chapters will be responsible for contacting every troop in their area to arrange a unit election. If none is desired, at least attempt to do a camp promotion.

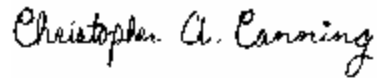
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- 1. Leadership in Service Award/One Day of Service
 - a. LIS – Requires 8 hours of service to the council camp or other property & 6 hours of service to the community.
 - i. Ordeals count towards the 8 hour requirement
 - b. One Day of Service
 - i. A service project within the community
 - ii. A project of sufficient length could be used towards the requirement for LIS award
 - c. Sam Pulley was elected the Service Chairman for the lodge.

2. Service Corps
 - a. Chip Udischas gave a presentation on the program
 - i. A Patrol-style emblem will be issued as the first level of award.
 - ii. A bead will be issued for the second level.
 - iii. A special lodge flap will be issued for the third level.
 - b. The exact requirements were established by the Service Corps committee.
 - c. A patch design for the patrol-style emblem was selected
 - d. Chip would like all Arrowmen to spread the word about this program, an important way to do this would be to earn the patrol emblem to have people ask questions.
 - e. The rangers will have a sign-in sheet which will be periodically tracked and entered into an Excel database.
 - f. Ordeal work will count towards the requirements for this program.
3. Conclave
 - a. May 20-22, 2005
 - b. Cost is \$30
 - c. Seven Ranges Scout Reservation
 - d. Sipp-O Lodge is the host.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,



Chris Canning,
2004 Lodge Chief