



## SECTION C-7, CENTRAL REGION

# ORDER OF THE ARROW, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

### Minutes for the Section C-7 Fall Council of Chiefs 2016 October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Des Plaines Golf Center, Des Plaines, Illinois

- I. Opening
  - a. Welcome and obligation
  - b. Purpose
    - i. Initiate inter-lodge communication, among other things
  - c. Roll call Kanwa tho, Lakota, Lowaneu Allanque, Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan, Michigamea, Owasispe, Pachsegink, Takota, Waupecan, and Wulapeju present
  - d. Approval of the minutes
    - i. Motion to approve set forth by Anthony Malish
    - ii. Second from Adam Peterson
    - iii. Unanimously approved
  - e. Icebreaker > Will's dynamic duo activity
- II. Lodge Reports
  - a. Kanwa Tho
    - i. New Chief
    - ii. 258 registered for fall conclave 237, in attendance
    - iii. 11/12 vigil conversions
    - iv. 50 brotherhoods
    - v. Brotherhood weekend coming up
    - vi. 179 ordeal inducted
    - vii. Winter banquet coming up
    - viii. Built a shelter and a gag ball pit
  - b. Lakota
    - i. Brett Bertok chief
    - ii. Spring fellowship Lotta new ordeals and brotherhoods
    - iii. 40 new ordeals inducted for ordeal weekend
    - iv. Fall fellowship last event at Camp Lakota
    - v. Haunted Hike coming up to scare the wits out of everybody
    - vi. Winter banquet coming up
    - vii. Extended Elangomat program being implemented
  - c. Lowaneu Allanque
    - i. Nathan Morrow
    - ii. Lock in in march > OA and non-members > lower attendance
    - iii. February pow wow had 110 people in attendance
    - iv. Built and archery range
    - v. Started a memorial brick project
    - vi. Spring fellowship of 300
      1. 100 new ordeals
      2. 100 ordeals at summer camp
  - d. Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan
    - i. Adam Petersen
    - ii. 232 inducted ordeals this year
    - iii. 92% conversion rate
    - iv. 110 brotherhoods



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- v. Bronze JTE
- vi. Memorial Day weekend 102 member service
- vii. 99 at fall conclave 30 ordeals, 6 vigils
- viii. Scoutjam
- ix. Chapter meeting attendance has increased
- x. Extended elangomat started > helps
- xi. LLD lock in t the end of October
- e. Michigamea
  - i. Clayton Propst
  - ii. JTE silver almost gold
  - iii. 11/12 vigils inducted
  - iv. \$2,000 grant to get cub scouts to camp > 100+ kids
  - v. Calumet adventure day
    - 1. 600 or 700 cub scouts came
  - vi. Winter banquet coming up
- f. Owasippe
  - i. Ben Keats subbing for Jacob Klein
  - ii. May work weekend had 280 participants
  - iii. Fall fellowship
  - iv. Trade-o-ree
  - v. Blast into scouting launches
  - vi. LLD on November 12
- g. Pachsegink
  - i. Kurt Hogleman
  - ii. LLD lock in
  - iii. Spring fellowship
  - iv. Spring
  - v. E Urner Goodman weekend
  - vi. Winter banquet
  - vii. Down in conversions
    - 1. 73 ordeals
  - viii. Master elangomat program
  - ix. Elected new officers at the fall fellowship
  - x. Sent 4 people to NEXT, 4 to prism
- h. Takota
  - i. Anthony Malish
  - ii. LLD Last month
  - iii. Summer camp went well
  - iv. Spring and fall fellowship had low attendances
- i. Waupecan
  - i. Silas Rea
    - 1. re-elected as chief
  - ii. Fall fellowship 180 people
    - 1. 60 ordeals
  - iii. 70 ordeals over the summer
  - iv. First annual chill with the chief dance...?
  - v. Still staff adviser-less



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- j. Wulapeju
  - i. Dalton Miles
  - ii. 210 at fall conclave
  - iii. Finished revision of bylaws
  - iv. 20 camperships awarded
  - v. LLD was yesterday
    - 1. Finished request for a grant
- III. Old Business
  - a. Conclave
    - i. Thanks to Wag-O-Shag
    - ii. Lower numbers than usual for a number of supposed reasons
    - iii. Goal to reach 500 this year
    - iv. Highlights
      - 1. Back at a camp
      - 2. New programs
      - 3. Blackhawk helicopter, though it interrupted the one and only Mitch Leonard
      - 4. Visited by Ms. Wisconsin and Logan Greene
      - 5. Bonfire Ceremony
      - 6. Lodgeball winner team was a combination of several lodges
      - 7. Wulapeju won the spirit stick
    - v. Positive ratings overall > 80 something % responded positively
      - 1. Positive ratings for all individual areas
      - 2. AIA wasn't promoted well enough
      - 3. Good food (Huge buns)
      - 4. People want more and better stuff in the trading post
      - 5. People liked being at a camp
    - vi. 34 youth and 18 adults to prism
    - vii. 34 youth and 32 adults to NEXT
    - viii. OAHA
      - 1. 26 youth in 2016
        - a. up by 8 from last year
      - 2. C-7 is ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in the nation for OAHA participation
    - ix. Service Event
      - 1. Two locations in August, one in Illinois one in Wisconsin
      - 2. 20 or 25 people at each
- IV. Food
- V. New Business
  - a. NLS
    - i. Next one is this weekend which is full
    - ii. Next year, there will be one in Rochester Indiana in February 24-26, another in Iowa in March 24-26, and one in Missouri in the fall
    - iii. (Gives generic description of NLS)
  - b. Winter Council of Chiefs
    - i. January 21<sup>st</sup> at the Kalahari
    - ii. Lodging, water park
    - iii. Rates to follow



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- iv. CVC retreat
- VI. NEXT
  - a. Wulapeju
    - i. Great to meet people from all over
    - ii. See how others do things
      - 1. Ceremonies
      - 2. Elangomats
      - 3. No chapters in some lodges
  - b. Waupecan
    - i. Reforming and streamlining inductions/ceremonies
    - ii. Give new members more opportunities
  - c. Takoda
    - i. PRISM: Make a plan, plan ahead
    - ii. NEXT: Stick with that plan
  - d. Pachsegink:
    - i. Focus: Membership retention
    - ii. Online dues payment
    - iii. Streamlining visitation & elections process
    - iv. Improve event participation
  - e. Owasippe:
    - i. Main focus: INCREASE ATTENDANCE
  - f. Michigamea:
    - i. See how much fun Sash N Bashes are
    - ii. Revamp hodags @ fellowships
    - iii. Directly help with membership retention.
    - iv. Have already seen improvement, helped with planning events
  - g. Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan:
    - i. Impressive Powerpoint presentation
  - h. Lowaneu Allaque:
    - i. Get things from National and actually understand how to use them
  - i. Lakota:
    - i. Extended Elangomat Program
    - ii. Revamped Nimat program
      - 1. Will increase new membership retention, brotherhood retention
    - iii. Ordeal Carnival: Fun and games on Saturday Night
    - iv. Communications:
      - 1. Rolling out social media, such as Snapchat and Instagram
      - 2. Postcards.
      - 3. “We’re gonna post DANK memes” – Brett Bertok
  - j. Kanwa tho
    - i. Strengthen interest in OA.
      - 1. Start at Cub Scout level
      - 2. Have a dinner open to parents and ordeals before conclave. Arrowman 101 more or less
      - 3. Get them right from the start
    - ii. Conclave chairman and Winter Banquet Chairmen to help VC of Activities



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- iii. Start Remind 101 texting service to keep those informed about upcoming events.
- VII. Operation Arrow
- a. The 2017 National program emphasis
  - b. They need a lot more than before. The goal is 750 OA staff
    - i. Service Corps, Trek Guides, and Indian Village
  - c. Must meet all requirements in order to sign up
- VIII. Conclave Forum
- a. Watched a video
  - b. Brainstormed 8 components of conclave that they'd like to see in 2017
  - c. Youth ideas:
    - i. AIA
    - ii. Taco trucks
    - iii. Luau w/dug out pit for pig roast
    - iv. Fireworks
    - v. Triathlon, volleyball,
    - vi. Chase a calf with a neckerchief
    - vii. Lodge v lodge pig roast
    - viii. Melon launch
    - ix. Hockey rink
    - x. Better AIA promotion, make sure people know about stuff that's not games
    - xi. Fog machine with laser pointers
  - d. Adult ideas:
    - i. Each lodge brings stuff for the cracker barrel
    - ii. Educational trainings
    - iii. Regalia trainings
    - iv. Shoot t-shirts with paintball guns
    - v. Lodge adviser paintball
    - vi. Ms. Wisconsin runner-up > lower standards, used to disappointment
    - vii. Trainings for new adult ordeals
    - viii. Get a list of top complaints > Have trainings based on them
    - ix. Change scheduling of activities so that people can go to more of them
- IX. Open Forum
- a. Nathan Morrow asks for cool LLD ideas
    - i. Incorporate teamwork based video games
    - ii. Lakota all-nighter with video games, board games, open gym
    - iii. LARPing > contact Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan LARP specialist...?
    - iv. Vigil discussion for older guys/section things off based on age or experience
    - v. Using national modules...?
      - 1. Having a theme helps
      - 2. Apply theme to base trainings
  - b. Brett Bertok asked about Extended Elangomat incentives
    - i. Elangomat shirts
    - ii. Dank fluorescent elangomat vests
      - 1. "Looking cool does serve a purchase"
- X. Closing



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- a. Section Chief's minute
  - i. Promote WCOC
  - ii. 10 stations in the driving range
  - iii. Trading post open
- b. Section Adviser's Minute
- c. Song