

# Lowaneu Allanque Lodge

20 March 2014, Bethany Lutheran Church, Batavia IL

Secretary: Jacob Martin

## Agenda

Secretary's Report - Reviewed the previous meeting's minutes, motion to approve February minutes (Tommy D.), seconded (Nick S.), motion approved

Treasurer's Report - Positive income, increase in dues revenue and tighter spending decisions are to credit. A scout is thrifty, let's continue this positive trajectory.

Quartermaster's Report - The Lock-In patches were successful and well received. Proposal of an early fundraiser patch for NOAC 2015 in order to help with the lodge's plans for attendance. Mr. Peeler raised an objection to raising funds so that NOAC attendees can acquire free amenities, proposal was amended to only cover required amenities like hats, shirts, etc. not more high-end items like backpacks.

Chapter Report - All election returns should be turned in, and promotions for dues payments and Brotherhood conversions.

*Chanonee* - 3 youth, 9 adults, all elections are finished and discussed presence at STEMorama and chapter hats and shirts.

*Chippewa* - 5 youth, 5 adults, new chapter chief after the current chief stepped down due to a litany of commitments.

*Fox Fire* - 8 youth, 2 adults, service hours were accumulated, and plan on bringing the camp promotion video to the chapter.

*Fox Valley* - 14 youth, 5 adults, discussed our chapter callout and STEMorama commitment

*Indian Prairie* - 8 youth, 3 adults

*Kishwaukee* - First Kishwaukee report of the year! Throwing a Cub-o-ree and holding a callout ceremony at that event on May 2.

*Maramech Hill* - Had a great time bowling with good attendance.

*Northern Trail* - 7 youth, 4 adults, all elections are completed

*Potawatomie Trails* - Did not hold a meeting, all elections are done.

*Shabbona* - N/A

*Thunderbird* - Had March Madness Basketball fun, all elections are finished and brought lodge reports back to the chapter. Committed to provide service at a local work day.

There are no election reports from Northern Trail, Potawatomie Trails, and Chanonee. We need them turned in immediately.

### Committee Reports

*AIA* - Ceremony teams are available through Fox Valley, Maramech Hill and Thunderbird. The point was raised by Nathaniel Baum to potentially make our smudge pots with paraffin wax rather than toilet paper or woodchips, and potentially help fund the purchase of new Gators for CFL. There will be appearing an article about Lodge Powwow in the National Newsletter, and the drum team has been contracted to perform at Section Conclave.

*Activities* - A chairman for the Activities committee is still needed and requested.

*Brotherhood* - We have over 900 paid members, well on our way to our membership goal, and membership and Brotherhood conversions should continue to rise into April. There is a Telethon coming up to get out more promotion regarding membership and Brotherhood conversions.

*Camp Promotions* - A chair for the Camp Promotions committee is still needed and requested.

*Inductions* - Mr. Matteson has stepped up as the new Inductions advisor, we should make new inductees feel as welcome as possible within the lodge and at lodge functions.

*Promotions* - Billy Doody did a great job with promoting and running the Lock-In.

*Vigil* - Mr. Tyler is the new Vigil advisor, Vigil selection takes place at Spring Fellowship, make sure nomination forms, especially for adults, get in to the Lodge in advance.

*NOAC* - A new chairman is needed for the NOAC committee since Ryan Tyler has aged out, it is a fun job and a great event to help out with.

*Elangomats* - Luke Dubbin is the new Elangomats chairman, many thanks to him for stepping up and taking over the job.

## Old Business

*Lodge Lock-In* - Almost 200 people were present, 207 registered. Fox Valley triumphed over Maramech Hill in the Battle for District Supremacy. About \$2000 of profit were made, but we ran out of patches for the non-OA members, meaning we need to produce more of them.

## New Business

*Section Conclave (April 25-27)* - It's going to be a very fun event, and all should try to attend. Each chapter needs to give a presentation about Conclave to their respective members, as well as attempt to bring as many people as possible to the event. A lot of boys from in the council are already committed to other events, but if you tell Scoutmasters and troop leaders that it serves as a great way to keep older scouts involved, they will be far more receptive to listening. The early bird registration goes away on April 1<sup>st</sup>, so make sure you get the word out about Conclave.

*STEMorama (May 17)* - Each chapter should be bringing as many people as possible; for every 10 members a chapter brings, Ron will fund a pie to be thrown in his face. Members can come for only part of the day if necessary, so come out and help!

*Telethon (March 26)* - Time to make lots of calls to promote both dues and membership in addition to promoting Section Conclave and its attendance. It will take place at the Council offices and will be a lot of fun.

*120 Day Plan Spring Fellowship* - Treasurer Matt Hess proposed an idea to sell soda and beverages at Spring Fellowship in order to make lucrative profits for the lodge. The idea was well-received; Ron will look into receiving a discounted bulk rate through CFL's Business Manager. Money can also be used to buy tools and supplies for the Ranch in Rochelle. Tools would eventually be used at Fall Fellowship. Motion to purchase tools for the ranch (Jacob B.), seconded (Nick S.), motion approved. One smiley face 😊 in the report provided at the request of Quartermaster Tony Matteson.

*Memorial Service for Arrowman* - Major Moore, an Arrowman and military veteran passed away, and there is an opportunity to serve as a pallbearer at the memorial services is available. Contact Roger for details.

*Indian Seminar* - The Indian Seminar was canceled due to lack of participation; refund checks are in the mail.

### Key 3 Minutes

*Lodge Staff Advisor* - The accomplishments of Major Moore reverberated all the way to now from his youth, from his Vigil membership to his Silver Beaver award through his council. We will always regard the ties of Brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow as lasting.

*Lodge Advisor* - We are very pleased to hear that all elections have been completed and records turned in to the lodge. Everyone keep up the service, continue spreading the word, and start considering promoting activity on the chapter and lodge level in the OA for new members. May will be a busy month, so let's jump in and get it done.

*Lodge Chief* - Thanks for getting all of the elections turned in roughly on time and for all your hard work towards the lodge. Former Lodge Chief Tim Newkirk walked around and spoke with all of the individual scouts, even talking to Ron and convincing him to become more involved in the lodge. The biggest motivator is approaching people individually and inviting and encouraging them to be active and serve their brothers.