Allohak Menewi Business Meeting Minutes
Heritage Reservation
January 21, 2018

Called to order 9:00 am – Kyle O’Connor

• Chapters Roll Call
  o Chartiers Creek
  o Ahtuhquog -report submitted
  o Nimat Wachschu
  o Nisch Nimat
  o Mon South
  o Mohican

• Committees Roll Call
  o NOAC
  o Winterfest
  o Conclave
  o Ceremonies
  o Communications

Motion to accept the agenda as written – William Prescott
Seconded – Adam Webb

Chapter reports

• Nimat Wachtschu
  o Spring Thaw coming up, will discuss more later in meeting.

• Mohican
  o Adam Webb – Chapter Chief
  o AJ Bischoff – Vice Chief
  o Menu for Twin Echo discussed and approved
  o Home troop election

• Mon South
  o Ben Shissler reported
  o Ian Squire election chapter chief
  o Discussed May weeked
  o Home troop elections – reaching out to units working to get done before the end of may
  o Klondike derby

• Nisch Nimat
  o Marshall Henry – chapter chief
  o Starting to work on Home Troop elections
  o Feb 2 – Seneca Klondike Derby
• Chartiers Creek
  o Hosting ordeal weekend in October
  o 10 brotherhood / 50 ordeal
  o Chapter elections – Jeff Lang
  o Alex Mongelluzo chapter
  o 1st Wednesday of January
  o Still working on a new meeting

• Ahtuhquog – Kyle read submitted chapter report

Committee Reports
• Conclave – Jacob Nichols
  o Cubclave meet about a week ago, spoke with Jacque Schultz about activities for cub scouts – rock throwing, gaga-ball, etc.
  o Opening up new range for Cowboy action shooting and rifle shooting. Considering using a ticket system instead of charging everyone for shooting, only those that wish to participate.

• Winterfest Committee – Tommy Frye
  o Things went well. Treasure hunt went over nicely. We did not have any brotherhood conversion for this weekend. Everything worked well from the training cells and the activities that were presented.

• Dance and Drum – Ian Squire
  o Working on recruitment

• Communications – Stephen Campbell
  o Reformatting the Newsletter. Changing name to “Pawprint”. Any social media requests go to Stephen. Please be sure to work through him to have your event promoted.

• Ceremonies – Ethan Turturice
  o Did not have a ceremony to perform this weekend. Next ordeal is at Twin Echo. Would like to have a set list now of who is going to be performing parts. Ideally with no scripts and working on hand and facial expressions. Looking forward to improving over last year.

Old Business

• 2018 Lodge Recharter and JTE – Mike Manner
  o Charter was completed on time. Approximately 1,700 members, growth over last year. Also submitted the JTE on time. Dropped from Silver in 2016 to Bronze for 2017. Will be talking about the 2018 requirements to start working on bringing the score up. There are changes, percentage increases. Notable increase – membership retentions / membership growth / ordeal completion/ brotherhood completion. have changed to overall youth and adult to youth only.
• Winterfest 2018 – Tommy Frye
  o Would like to look for a new chair – work on a “start, stop, continue”

New Business

• Ahtuhquog Chapter Fellowship March 9-11 - Chapter banquet on Saturday evening.

• Spring Thaw – William Prescott (Codi Clapper, event chair)
  o March 16-18 at Camp Anderson – Saint Patrick theme, wear green.
  o Saturday, snowball softball (weather dependent) ultimate, capture the flag, Saturday night movie, etc.

• Twin Echo – Adam Webb
  o Still asking for elangomats to serve for the weekend. Still looking for a Scout’s own service, materials provided, please see Adam. Looking for a ceremonies team.

• Seph Mack – Stephen Campbell
  o Last weekend in April. George has a list that they will be planning around. This is the push for summer camp set up.

• Heritage Spring – Ben Shissler
  o Dan Huff to chair. Big goal is getting ready for the Beaver Weekend. We are preparing for both Conclave and Summer Camp. Lots of help needed. Consider inviting your unit as it coincides with Beaver Weekend.

• LLD/Annual Planning – Marshall Henry chair, email to Kyle (reading)
  o Same day as University of Scouting in March 24, 2018 at Gateway. Looking for training cell leaders. Annual planning will be conducted in tandem talking about the 2018-2018. Additional materials requested by the UoS team to present OA materials for general sessions.

• NOAC – Joe Elwell (Deciding our Destiny Theme)
  o Allocated 34 youth / 11 adults – currently almost all 34 slots filled. 17 adults requested to go. National offering an additional 5 youth and 1 adult. Increase from 45 to 51. January 31 to make decision. Working on charter bus prices to finalize the budget – backpack and duffel bag.
    ▪ Adult Selection – Kyle O’Connor
    ▪ Alex Mongellezzo – chair
    ▪ New policy, 2 rounds of sections for adults for large events. Adults who serve in lodge advisor positions are first, round two all remaining adults in lottery and randomly selected by excel.

Motion to accept the new policy – AJ Bischoff
Second – Ethan Turturice
Motion Carries
• **Tshirts / Patches – Kyle O’Connor**
  - Unable to get rights for Pens logos and moved to the second design. Three piece design. Summer trader and winter is delegate. Mylar borders. Single flap with a night scene.
  - A message will go out to allow those who wish to purchase additional patches in the next month or so.
  - 1 tshirt design was submitted – Jacob Nichols
  - Grey / white lettering with mountain lion head
  - Giant Mountain Head / Small Mountain Head needs to be decided – Change the text to fit the theme of NOAC.
  - Marty – likes the past set on the back, but likes the pocket over the left chest. Too much may look busy, simple may be better for a cleaner look. Make a google form, online vote, or during an actual meeting.

**Motion to postpone voting until there is an online form – Marty Zender**
Second by Adam Webb
Motion carries

• **Conclave – Jacob Nichols**
  - Still in need of staff members. No staff no event. There will be a staff flap, you only get one, and will be given to you on Sunday. Pay it forward – no staff, no events.
  - Committees:
    - Trading post, Dining hall, security, field sports, shooting sports (adults), and other activities.
    - Parking Advisor – Andy Shissler
    - Contact Jacob if you would like to staff.
  - Conclave meeting with people on committees, an email will be going out this week asking for help.
  - Jacob will be stepping down from Conclave chairman next year and will be looking for a new Conclave chairman.
  - There are plenty of opportunities to help, even if you cannot attend, please be sure to see Jacob.
  - Tshirt / Patch was voted on last night via ballot. You will be able to order more of them with your registration.

• **Chapter JTE – Mike Manner**
  - Charged by Sharon to better the Chapter JTE. Based off of the lodge JTE. We will be updating the chapter JTE for 2018 as the Lodge JTE was just released.
  - Example: unit election for bronze 39% completed elections in units.
  - Will send the new Chapter JTE to Chapter Advisors/Chiefs as soon as their available.
  - Chapter chiefs: agreed to work on the chapter JTE.

• **Home Troop elections / Camp Promotions – Kyle O’Connor**
  - Had two training cells yesterday about conducting both elections and promotions. Your responsibility to make those visits to those units for both promotions and elections. How we grow and retain the membership. Please get more members involved, hard to have one person to conduct all of them for one district.
• Section Banquet – Kyle O’Connor
  o Same day as LLD March 24 at Penn State Fayette. Prelim to Conclave. No training cells, all fun activities and good food. There will be a movie, board games, 100 people BBQ – less than 100 standard dinner Chicken, mashed potatoes. 1-8 pm. At COC proposed two separate patches. 1st is a participation patch. Not voting on design, only on how the totem is used and for the use of the totem. 2nd is a fundraiser set to support Conclave or High Adventure.

Motion to approve the lodge totem on the participation flap for section banquet colored – Adam Webb
AJ Bischoff Second
Motion Carries
Motion to approve fundraiser set section banquet flap colored – Adam Webb
Second by Jacob Nichols
Motion Carries

• Arrow Corps in Puerto Rico – Kyle O’Connor
  o Going to the camp in Puerto Rico – NE-5 Section, 2 unused scholarships, would like to use those ($500 total 4 scholarships) just pay airfare to go help rebuild the camps. Open to all, youth and adults. March 11-17. Youth get priority over adults. 2 essays, are the same as the OA High Adventure essays. Why do you want to go to Puerto Rico to help? Will be a google form that Aaron Coffman will be sharing. If you’re interested, please sign up. Attendance goal is 100 arrowmen.

Good of the Order

Travis – Section gave out the High adventure scholarships at COC. NER has scholarships as well, those are available. Please see Travis.

Ben Shissler – November, 10 Commandment Hike (day after Thanksgiving) – has done for several years and leaving for college. Needing a new chairman. Day after Thanksgiving – Jewish Committee on Scouting hosts and goes to different houses of worship from different faiths. A good way to fulfill that a Scout is Reverent. The service corps, go ahead and make sure that speaker is ready, other lead the hikers, make the hot chocolate, and work with the committee through email.

Kyle O’Connor – Ceremonial related – SR7-A Ceremonies training in Virginia. Lead evaluator and the author of the pre-ordeal/ordeal book (Jay Dunbar) to host training cells – a great opportunity to learn more about ceremonies. First weekend in April – Camp T. Brady Saunders

Tommy Frye – NOAC Shirt, rough sketch he would like to submit for consideration.

Key 3 Comments

Mike Manner – House keeping – staying in houses, you’re responsible for cleaning after yourself. Please take out trash, vacuum, and sweep. Need to mop/sweep Pathfinder and set up for Winter Weekends. Please consider working on camp staff this summer. OA is the best of the best and we need the best of the best working at all of our camps.

Date Changes: Banquet is moving up 1 week from November 11 to November 4.
Anawanna Weekend will be moved up 1 weekend to October 19-21 2018.
Kevin Squire – Please consider bringing your OA buddy to events. If everyone brings one person with them, we could have more Scouts to have more fun. Ordeal weekend at Heritage this spring – think about bringing your buddy. Beaver Day is for Summer Camp, we want Conclave to be set up during that ordeal weekend. Need all hands-on deck to get this finished.

Kyle O’Connor – First meeting as lodge chief, many thanks to those who stayed for the meeting. Very busy spring, please bring your troop members, and those from down the street and bring them to camp. You can still have fun at service weekends too. Remember the three WWW, don’t look to the guy next to you to do the service that you could do. Please come and camp with us and hang out with us again. Submitting a proposal to change Lodge Secretary to Lodge Scribe. Will vote on at the next business meeting.

Motion to Adjourn – Travis
Second by Isaac Webb
Motion carries

Adjourn – 10:20 am