

Lodge Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Call to Order and Obligation

Invocation by James C.

Officer Reports

Ben W.: Committee Chairs, we are going to have a great year this year. When you go over your reports, highlight what you are doing. Generally we get into it being the same thing each meeting. Also, when I call your committee today, please introduce yourself and your advisor since this is going to be our first meeting. Go with Ceremonies.

Adam C.: The Ceremonies committee had a very informative weekend, and feels as though we are off to a great start to the year. In the last month we have organized one full team, and are currently putting together at least one more. We hope to establish more teams in the coming weeks to help keep the stress of a single ceremony team low. As a term goal, we plan on sending several teams to compete at conclave and then again at NOAC. We also look forward to upcoming functions like the spring and summer ordeals.

Ben W.r: Dance and Drum with Jeremy Jones: Jeremy was unable to be here this weekend, but he has planned a lot of cool stuff for dancing and drumming with his advisor. Go on to Vigil Selections.

Steven B.: Vigil Selections is looking for a wonderful year ahead of us. We have already written out goals for this year and plan for a good start for strongest committee. Over the weekend we met with advisors and had good talks about the year ahead. Have a good start to the selections committee. At Feb. EC meeting, nomination forms will get handed out and will be on website. Due dates for hard copy: Summer Sat. 12:30. Due for email copy: May 27th. Also, Gregory M. is taking his vigil in Spring Function.

Ben W.: On to Publications.

Mitchell A.: Publications is ready for a year of greatness and improvement within Tutelo. First, we will be publishing four issues in print this year. I also have started a Torchbearer Facebook page and blog, which will show off feature articles, lodge and chapter news, etc.

Also, the Torchbearer this year will expand and it will have its own staff like a regular newspaper. I will begin looking for experienced youth and adults to write for the TB and photographers at functions.

Jon R.: The Inductions Committee looks forward to a great year ahead. We are expecting several great changes and are hoping to work out a new schedule for functions. The Inductions Committee has a lot of work to do before our first function and communication between Inductions and the other committees will be flying. I and my soon to be staff look forward to one of the best years Tutelo has ever experienced.

James C.: Elangomat is looking forward to having a strong year. We are excited to make the Elangomats committee a strong one this year. We are planning to have a group of highly trained Elangomats and kneemats. We are also going to insure that we give the Brotherhood master support through the use of kneemats. We are looking forward to working closely with service and Inductions to have a non Cookie-Cutter year.

Stephen H.: Well hey there, Tutelo. It looks like I'm back again but this time I'm the Service Chairman. So, for this year, we've set a few good goals and got a ton of service done this function. Goal #1: Continue to be a boss. Goals #2: I'm tired of writing, I'll email them!

We are looking forward to a good year and getting service done. Finally, Tutelo, I would like for everyone to agree that Rodney, my advisor, should wear the same attire as I and this could be put into motion form if needed. Keep looking cute, Tutelo :).

Drew M.: The trading post is excited to start the year. We had a successful trading post at the winter banquet. We are also currently looking for volunteers to help out at functions. Lastly, we have some of the 2012 NOAC flaps and council strips. If you would like to purchase one, please see me after the meeting.

Kiernan B.: We are excited for a New Year focusing of accomplishing our SMART goals that include bringing more activities for the night time at the coming functions. Be prepared for never-ending fun! Joke Time? Why did the man sleep under the car? So he could wake up oily in the morning!!!

Brent R.:

Dues

-Goal – 1,047 -Have – 128 (Includes 33 Gold Cards) -Need – 919 -Percent – 9%

Brotherhood

-Need – 30% -Have – 0%

Matthew R.: I would like to thank those of you who helped with the phone-a-thon at the council service center and those who called from your respective chapters and we had a good meeting at the service center. We won quality lodge for 2011 which will be the last year that it will exist as we move into the JTE program.

Ben W.: Dining Services:

Jeff K.: This weekend was good because we had several people who were willing to serve. We are looking forward to a good year because we will be making several changes such as recruiting a concrete staff which will make it simpler. This will help people with vegetarian needs because we have had problems with that.

Justin D.: We are going to make OA a forefront at camp Ottari. We are very excited to have OA everyday so the campers really get excited about the OA. We are going to have some interactive games for the scouts to do involving the OA everyday for afternoon programs. Thank you very much.

Adam Cline: We also established an OA everyday thing. We have also set up a brand new tap-out ceremony.

Matt R.: We have already chosen our chiefs of camp for a reason because we are budgeting money to support our council chiefs of camp. It will be a substantial amount of money and because of that they will be doing something related to the OA every day. There will be no OA Chief at Claytor, but if you are working at Powhatan, they will be looking to appoint vice chiefs of camp to assist in planning

certain days. Their primary goals are their staff duties and they will not be able to do something every day on their own.

Now to move on the Vice Chief. Brandon could not make it because of a family loss. We have a card here on the table to sign if you would like to show that we are thinking of him.

Will H.: Catawba Chapter is preparing for another successful year. We have had our first chapter meeting of the year where we decided on committee chairmen and committee advisors. The Chapter is working on initiatives to increase dues paid throughout the year and attendance at functions. Our next chapter meeting is scheduled for Feb. 1st at 7:00 PM and we will be changing locations. We will keep you posted as it is decided. Hope to see as many Catawba members there as we can make possible.

Justin D.: Moneton has set a few goals for this year to discuss at the first chapter meeting on Tuesday night. We are very excited to begin building the much anticipated Ottari Chapel. Also, we are going to look into ideas for starting up a Chapter fundraiser for the lodge. Plans are in the working on building ceremony teams for our chapter. We look forward getting strong chapter four years in a row and working for strongest chapter. Our meeting will be at 7PM at Central United Methodist Church in Radford.

Lane S.: Brothers, Tuscarora is starting off our year great while planning for our 2012 Winter Camporee. After the LEC retreat, I plan on creating our chapter's Google site so that our members will be able to see what we will be doing in the upcoming months. We also plan on having another regalia night so we can start with ceremonies. Our next meeting is this Wed, January 11, 2012.

Kasey R.: We held our Chapter Meeting on Monday, Dec. 12, 2011, at All Nations Church of God in Wytheville, VA with nine members in attendance. We have been reminding members to pay their dues. We reminded members that the next EC meeting will be at Claytor Lake instead of Roanoke. We reviewed the Lodge meeting with the chapter and gave our lists of people who needed to pay dues to scoutmasters of each troop. We reminded everyone of registration for NOAC and Conclave. We also discussed appointing chapter committee chairs at the next meeting. We discussed 2012 Gold Cards. Next Meeting is Monday, Jan. 16, 2012.

Russell: Our Last meeting was on December 15th. We had 3 members and one adult present. We discussed ways to get more participation. We looked at a list of members and agreed to try contacting members by phone and/or email to get updated information and encourage participation. We also talked about activities that our chapter might do in 2012. Next meeting Jan. 19th.

Jason U.: Saura had a great year last year and we are ready to have a better year this year. At our meeting next week on Sunday, the 15th at 2:30, we will discuss issues about dues and talk about an Elangomat committee and tap-out committee. Also, try to look over our regalia for repairs and replacements. We had close to 13 members pay their 2011 and hopefully 2012 dues.

Kiernan B.: Rawenok is excited to start the New Year and has some SMART goals including earning strong chapter. Our next meeting is this coming Thursday at 7PM at Raleigh Court Methodist to discuss the weekend.

Carter S. E.: Koo Koo Ku Hoo had a great time this weekend at Claytor Lake. I think we all learned some stuff to help us with strong chapter. One of my goals this year is to double the people at meetings by improving communications. Our Chapter meeting is Thursday at 7:15PM at Fort Hill United Methodist Church in Lynchburg.

Ben W.: We are trying to promote conclave a lot, I have these business cards. If you would like to use them in chapter meetings tell me and I will get more to give to you.

Matthew R.: First order of business- we will be voting on our Conclave patch design as well as our t-shirt design. We have two submissions for the patch design. Are there any other last minute patch design submissions? Seeing none. We will take a short recess to look at the designs and come back for a discussion and vote. *Short Recess*. We will open this up for discussion. We will let the patch designers talk about it first. Brent, do you have anything?

Brent R.: I incorporated the symbol in the center with arrows and used our chant.

Mitchell A.: The thir.: And it is the 15th year anniversary on the patch, not because we are being cocky and saying that we are going to win 15 years in a row. Is there any discussion from the youth members of the lodge?

James: Is the right patch going to be in that good of detail?

Matthew R.: With today's technology, we can get pretty close to this design, yes.

Pipes F.: Would there be any interest in changing the stars around it for a 15 to better emphasize that it is the 15th anniversary. I'm talking about pulling out the stars.

Mitchell A.: So just have the stars go around the 15?

Pipes: Something along those lines too. But people will look at tuteloo and think "oh, well they're just being cocky" and we will have to explain that it is the 15th ann. But if we were to change the 15 to 15 stars, then it becomes apparent that we are talking about the 15th ann.

Matthew R.: Thank you for that, but I think the intent is to keep this design and keep the 15.

Steven B.: Any way to put "anniversary" under the 15?

Matthew R.: Yes that is possible. But let us go ahead and vote on one of the two designs to have a basis for what we want. So all in favor of choosing patch number one. We have twenty four youth votes. And patch number two? Two votes in favor. Patch number one wins the vote. Now we must make a motion to make this out conclave patch.

Lane: I so move.

Jason U.: Second

Matthew R.: Now is there any discussion on the subject?

James C.: I would like to move to have the word anniversary added to the patch under the 15.

Matthew R.: Is there any discussion on the amendment?

Steven B.: Is there any way we can get into trouble for just having the 15 on there?

Matthew R.: No, it's our patch, we do what we want with it. I think we should so move to add anniversary in some way on the patch. Does any one so move?

Jason U.: I so move.

Everyone: Second

Matthew R.: any more discussion on the word anniversary being added to this patch? Seeing none, we will vote on it.

VOTE: I's have it. Anniversary to be added to patch

Matthew R.: Back to the original motion to make this patch our conclave patch. Is there any more discussion on this? Seeing none, we call a vote

VOTE: I's have it. Patch #1 will be our conclave patch.

Matthew R.: Mitchell you will need to make the amendments to the patch and then email it to Justin.

Now on to the t-shirt designs. The floor is now open to discussion.

Steven B.: I like how we have stuck with the simple designs for our shirts. But I really like this new design—is there any way we could make a background of red white and blue for shirt #2?

Matthew R.: Yes, that could be a possibility. Just so you know, we will be using this design, even if it is not chosen for our t-shirts. It will be used on posters and advertisements and such no matter if it is our t-shirt design or not.

James C.: If we were to choose that design, would the background just be white? Or will there be more color added?

Matthew R.: The color besides the design will depend on the color of shirt we choose to print it on.

Stephen H.: Is there a way to put Billy Joe's design on the back and the simple design on the front?

Matthew R.: I think it will be more like the green lantern shirt and you really need space on the shirt to let your body breathe. Or you will be extremely sweaty.

Kiernan B.: You won't be able to fully appreciate it if it is complex. But if it is simple Captain America, you could recognize: "that's a Tutelo." It's simple and there is no question about it.

Mitchell A. calls to question.

Matthew R.: All in favor raise your hand.

VOTE: Billy Joe's Shirt design: 0 (not because of design)

Simple Design: Unanimous (because of simplicity)

Matthew R.: We chose the simple design for our t-shirt.

Can someone so move to make this t-shirt design

Everyone: I so move

Everyone: Second

Matthew R.: Is there any discussion for this t-shirt design?

Will H.: It the batman theme t-shirt, the Tutelo 161 logo was in the design. Is there any way we can incorporate that into this one?

Matthew R.: It is my opinion that we do not need Tutelo 161 on there because when people see the three arrows, they will be running in fear. Is there any more discussion?

Steven B.: Can we put "Who do you know" on the back?

Matthew R.: Let's keep it simple and go with the old design idea where it's just our design on the front and it will be put on a dark blue shirt. Not the same blue as superman theme.

Seeing no more discussion- we will call it to a vote.

VOTE: I's have the vote. Simple design is our t-shirt design

Matthew R.: The final thing to talk about is the idea of making Tutelo Frisbees. The intent of these would be to sell for NOAC fundraising. Is there someone who would like to move to create Frisbees in the style of our Captain America Theme for sale as a NOAC fundraiser?

Everyone: I so move

Everyone: Second

Matthew R.: Discussion on the floor?

Steven B.: Will they be sold in the trading post?

Matthew R.: Sold by trading post committee. Seeing no more discussion. Vote

VOTE: I's have it motion passes.

Matthew R.: Topic-function patch designs

Brent R.: I thought it would be cool to use a totem

Mitchell A.: I will have to change some colors on the patches

Discussion: It could be hard to get all of the patches. But that's how it has always been.

VOTE: Patch design #1 – 8 votes design #2 – 15 votes

Mitchell will rework the coloring and we will vote on them in the February meeting.

Motion for these patches to become our patch designs to be worked on.

Steven B.: What if, when the colors are redone, we don't like it? I would like to move to table this until February Meeting.

Motion made and second.

VOTE: I's have it. Patches tabled

NOAC Updates

Gary H.: Contingent is registered. All who have applied and sent in 100 dollar deposit you will receive an email with a pass code. Which will allow you to log into the website to register. Classes will not be accessed yet. I will send an email when class registration is available.

We have a t-shirt idea that will be put on the agenda to be approved as a fundraiser. Buying patches helps us with NOAC. Next payments are due. If you have sent an application but not a deposit, send me an email. If you do not send deposit—you will not get the pass code.

Question: Is there still room?

Gary: Yes. We have 45 signed up for. Not filled yet. But may be possible to get more people after 45.

Matthew R.: The lodge gives the council an FOS donation. I would like to get a motion to give the council a \$2500 donation.

Everyone: I so move Everyone: second

Discussion: FOS = Friends of Scouting. Council's endowment fund. It helps with camp operations. The lodge receives a day of scouting in its name.

VOTE: I's have it. Motion adopted.

New Business

Matthew R.: This Retreat is the first ever. If you have any comments or suggestions about this meeting email or talk to Kevin Reedy or Myself.

Ad-Hoc committee approvals- committee created to get extraneous tasks done. These are not standing committees of the lodge. To fulfill other purposes, we create ad-hoc committees. Drum and dance, day of service, and others. They may be created by the lodge executive at any time.

Matthew R.: Spring Ordeal Visitors- It is tradition for the lodge to pay for executive members for their transportation cost for them to get here. There are two people we would like to visit us. One in VA Beach and another in New Orleans. I would like entertain a motion that we approve the transportation costs for these visitors.

Everyone: So move Everyone: Second

Discussion: What is the plan for housing? Staff cabins will be opened up. Admin building has two bedrooms with private baths. Could we use those? Yes, that is a great idea.

VOTE: I's have it. Motion passes

Matthew R.: Silver Card- does not replace the gold card. It is for new ordeal candidates. It would assist them in paying for their ordeal fee, brotherhood fee, and another function. Saves them the cost of a brotherhood function (\$15). There will be a monetary incentive to come back and take their brotherhood because they have already paid for it. Entertain a motion for the creation of a silver card?

Everyone: So move everyone: second.

Discussion: Two year limit to cash in their free function. Card Cost is \$65. Does not include Winter Banquet.

Call to question – VOTE: Motion is passed.

BY-LAWS

Matthew R.: Mitchell A. will be the in charge of on Ad-hoc by-laws committee until the end of March. He will work with the by-laws to make them in accordance to national policy. EC members only will be able to submit by-laws changes for their committee by March 1st for consideration in the approval process.

Everyone: So move Everyone: Second

Discussion: By-laws committee will change the by-laws if there is any conflict with national policy. Committee Chairmen will be able to reference them and if they see any changes they will submit in writing that change to Mitchell. This will remove unnecessary meeting on these.

VOTE: All in favor. Approved.

Lodgemaster – Membership software program endorsed by the national committee. Benefits – keep track of name, honor, contact info more efficiently. Helps manage events, keep count for food, inductions and others. Allows for tracking of lodge finances. Directly contact troops. Register for events online. Many things are calculated automatically.

Matthew R.: Lodge Calendar Approval – Approving date of our fall functions. Fall Ordeal, Fellowship, and Winter Banquet. Fall Ordeal – September 7-9 Fall Fellowship – October 12-14

Winter Banquet- December 8th at the holiday Inn

Move to approve the dates – So move and second

VOTE: Approved.

Matthew R.: Lodge Budget Policy – JTO to be approved at March Meeting.

Entertain that in order to submit budget request – written down how much money committee would like and what to spend the money on. Chapters have self-sufficient funds.

Movement made and second

Discussion: budget to be released in March

VOTE: All in favor. Passed

Matthew R.: Strong Committee Form – Make a motion to approve strongest committee form.

Everyone: So move everyone: second

Discussion: Req. 1 and 2 – both of them had added to them that the req. was voided in case of emergencies. Req. 4 – added that it must be emailed to publications chair in a word doc or pdf. Req.6

strong committee form must be turned in to Vice Chief by November lodge meeting. Turn in goals to Ben W. by March EC meeting, as well.

VOTE: All in favor. Passed.

Matthew R.: April Meeting- the second Sunday of the month is Easter Sunday. We would like to move the meeting to the following Sunday, Sunday April 15th at the Council Service Center.

So move and second. VOTE: All in favor. Approved.

Matthew R.: Council of chiefs meeting. Augusta Medical Center. You are welcome to attend but tell Kevin Reedy before-hand. We have a council van reserved to make a trip up there.

New Business Continued

Mike L. – 15th anniversary booth idea – This Conclave is the 15th anniversary of the section. So to promote that: all the lodges will be in charge of having some kind of booth or activity on Friday night. It is a way to promote our lodge and our history of the section. So would all lodge chiefs submit by the COC what their activity will be that night. The booth can be anything you choose for it to be.

Discussion:

Steven B.: I liked what we did at NOAC with the Nerf guns and we shot at the totem pole.

Pipes F.: We should get a large cardboard cut-out of the key three and a space in the middle with a simple scout uniform and a head cut-out so you can get a picture with the key three.

New Business from EC members

Lane: In the past, Tuscarora Chapter has done the hot dog lunch at the Winter Camporee to raise money to support our chapter, we need to get this approved by our lodge so it can be official. Motion to do so.

Everyone: Second

Discussion: None VOTE: Passed

More New Business

Ben W.: Last year Tutelo Lodge bought six vhf radios to use at functions and they have been tremendously helpful. But we have found that more is better. The committees have talked about this. I would like to make a motion today to buy four more radios for a total of ten radios and give them to committee chairs, other key members, and adults.

Jason U.: Seconds the motion

Discussion: Do we need to assign who gets a radio now?

Matthew R.: We agreed earlier that the inductions chairman would determine who is responsible for the radios. So it would be up to him who the radios go out to.

Ben W.: For prices on these – it's going to be 225 per radio, up 25 from last year, because we have to go through a different company to get them. And it will be \$900 total.

Steven B.: Was that the cheapest radio we could find?

Rodney: We are going to have to go with a vhf radio to get the signal necessary for camp use. And out of those radios, this is going to be the cheapest one.

Pipes F.: Who are the four critical people who need these radios?

Ben W.: Inductions chairman, Service Chairman, Quartermaster, Indian Affairs Chairman.

Pipes F.: Every one of those except for the quartermaster is assigned radios. So who are the additional people we are giving the radios too?

Ben W.: Elangomat Chairman, as well as a chief or vice chief just kind of as the middle men, and then two extra ones.

Jon R.: Two of the people who will be needing radios will be the Ordeal Master and Brotherhood Master. Their role is greatly expanded this year where they will be doing a lot of moving in between.

Drew M.: We will probably also need them for activities because it would be a lot easier to have a radio at each one of the activities going on.

Ben W.: So again, the amount that they helped last year, we think four more to give to people and eliminating people running back and lack of communication will greatly help. And also with Adam and Jon wanting to run three or four ceremonies at a time, that's three or four rings that need radios.

Stephen H.: Do we not have the ability to use the camp radios?

Ben W.: We do not. We have tried multiple times and they have never been given to us.

Pipes: I would like to call to question.

Matthew R.: We must now vote on it.

VOTE: All in favor. We have ourselves four new radios :D

Matthew R.: And we must now add that to the budget.

More New Business

Kiernan B.: In the years past, we have been told that we have no spirit. So I would like to make a motion to make a lodge mascot who will dress as Captain Tutelo.

Motion Seconded.

Discussion: Immediately called to question.

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed....

Reminders

If you need to contact anybody, you can do so through the lodge website.

Matthew R.: START PAYING YOUR DUES since it is the beginning of the year, go ahead and do it.

Remember with the gold card, you end up saving a total of fifteen dollars over the course of the year. Also, online registration is now open. You can access that through the website. Another – You need to send in your medical form to the council office (you do not have to send any money)

Kevin R.: On the Conclave Site, they have an option to purchase lodge paraphernalia, but we are not doing that, so don't select that and don't send money into the council in Richmond, save your money and those items will be available through our trading post. The Capt. America t-shirt and things will be purchased through our trading post.

Matthew R.: The next meeting will be Sunday, February 12th, 2012 at 2:30 back at the Council Service Center. We thank all of those who came to this meeting. It is very important for you all to be here.

Minutes!

Chris Dempsey: We have a lot going on; we have also had fantastic feedback from this meeting. I do believe this event will be an annual thing. The good thing is now we will have a whole year to plan this.

I am excited too about some of the ways we can really impact things like Webelos transition where we are trying to get them to go to summer camp right after they bridge. We should be holding some kind of council Webelos event this spring; maybe a bridging ceremony for the council. Let them see that and it should help Brownsea Island as well.

Kevin Reedy: If you are going to COC be sure to see me because I have to have those numbers to turn in this week.

My Statement for the meeting is: Whatever you are, be a good one. It doesn't matter what you are, do your job well. It is just as important to be an Arrow man as to be in any of these other positions because without the arrow men, this EC could do nothing.

Matthew R.: Going back to the Cookie-Cutter analogy; don't be a cookie-cutter. You could come into your position and just stand there and do what the person before you did. You as arrow men could walk around as Johnny Arrow Man and just do service – but you shouldn't be a cookie cutter arrow man either. Do more than what is expected of you. There are many tasks ahead of you: school, college, etc.

Also, don't worry about those things that are coming in the future; pour yourself into what you are doing now. If you put everything into what you are doing now, those things will come. You will achieve your dreams. With that – Circle Up.

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Invocation by Pipes

Approval of Consent Agenda

Approved

Officer Reports

Carter E. – Kook has started off a great year. We have some dues paid and some fundraiser ideas. Also, we have a few potential ceremonialists. If anyone has any comments questions of concerns, call me at (434)942-4755 or email: carterandwinston@aol.com

Adam C. – In our first month we have five Chapter based teams practicing on or more of the ceremonies of our lodge. We also have at least a ceremonial interest in nearly every chapter. Our committee has established a new Facebook group, Tutelo Lodge Ceremonies Committee, and has over thirty members. We have also been working extremely hard to produce a new brochure for our committee to hand out to new ordeal members after their Ordeal. And also to hand out to current member if they have an interest. Currently we are anticipating conclave, in which we hope to send at lease a team for each ceremony. So if you are currently a member for a ceremony team and would like to compete at Conclave, please see me after the meeting. We are also looking forward to the Webelos to the Reservation in late March, where we will be offering a great crossover ceremony and will even have a brotherhood team ready if anyone wishes to take their brotherhood that weekend. Also we are currently looking for a group to help prepare ceremony rings before each ceremony, so if this interests you but you do not wish to be a ceremonialist you may also see me. Finally, if any part of the ceremonial process appeals to you, I would appreciate meeting with you by email.

Jeremy J. – We are excited to get this new committee up and running. I am sorry for my absence at the last meeting; I had issues dealing with work. We are currently making all of our budget plans to submit. We want to go ahead and anyone here that is interested in drum, dance, regalia, beadwork of anything of the sort to go ahead and sign up after our meeting today. If anyone is interested in joining our committee go ahead and contact me via facebook or email: jjones8@radford.edu and also visit powwows.com to start getting ideas.

Brent R. - Membership Report – Goal: 1,047

Have 194 (including 70 gold cards)

Need 853

Percentage: 18.53%

Mitchell A – This year's first edition of The Torchbearer is ready for the press. It is packed to the brim with 11 pages of Tutelo Goodness. I would like to thank all of the Chairmen of Chief that submitted their articles before the deadline. Please ensure that you have paid your dues so that you may receive it in the mail. Preliminary work for the next quarter's edition had already begun, and if you have any story ideas or suggestions, please send them to malexander161@gmail.com.

James C. – The Elangomat committee has been working on our training program for Elangomats which will be held at the Friday of every function, and will be completed by the March Lodge Meeting. We are also working on our 2012 budget and figuring out any costs. We're also working on a training program for kneemats, which are the Elangomats for brotherhood. Our three goals for the year: Have kneemats for every applicable function, Have a training session for Elangomats for Friday night of every applicable function, and Having an Ordeal with all/most Elangomats being vigil members. I would also like to Congratulate Ben for being elected Section Chief.

Kiernan B – the Activities committee has been hard at work on numerous events. We have been focused on getting our website up and running, which should be available before the next EC. We have also been working with conclave spirit ideas, booth activities for Friday night and of course the chief's costumes for the weekend! If there are any brothers with an arsenal of Nerf guns we are in need of several for Friday night.

Steven H – Days of service, chapter projects at the camps. Yearly projects that we do during the functions. On the flip side we have designed a t-shirt for the EC to approve.

Drew M – The trading post is ready to start on the goals we have set. Soon we hope to start on the catalog for our merchandise and start developing a staff schedule for the upcoming functions.

Steven B.: We have come out with a new nomination form. We have been working on our budget for the year as well. We have been talking about the vigil weekend coming up.

Jon R – The inductions committee is looking forward to a great year this year. The past month has been busy with planning for our upcoming spring function. We have a lot on our plate this year and we are going to need a lot of help to get it done. I look forward to getting things underway come the spring function and the inductions committee hopes to have a great first function. As you know we will be moving many parts of the Ordeal and Brotherhood ceremonies around and we will be looking for help to keep things running smoothly. We look forward to a great year.

Dining Services – Ed Hamilton – No report

Justin D.: Been thinking of event we can do this summer to give the scouts a better understanding of what the OA does. So, this summer, the OA needs to be one of those things the campers will never forget.

Adam C – The 2012 Powhatan seasons of summer camp is looking to be the best year ever! This year we have already implemented the OA everyday initiative to provide an Order of the Arrow sponsored activity every day of the summer camp week. Ideas for the program have consisted of a

possible Ultimate game in which we will sponsor the OA, but still let anyone play. We may also put on, in conjunction with Handicraft, and Indian Lore night that could involve making a pair of moccasins and learning details about different Native American Cultures. As always, we will have the Thursday night cracker-barrel and brotherhood ceremony, however they will be organized so that there will be more activities for those who go. The Friday night tap out will also be somewhat different, in that we will strive to make a more personal and interesting tap out. With all of these changes in the OA program at camp, I will need a lot of help from the staff. So if you are planning on working at the greatest Scout Camp this side of the universe, please come and see me or email me.

Ben Wr: I have been elected to be the SR-7a Section Chief to fill out the remaining term. According to the guide I must resign from any other OA positions, so today I would like to say thank you for everything you have done for me guys, and I will turn it over to Matt as I step down.

Matt R. – At this time, according to the lodge by-laws if a vacancy occurs in a lodge officer position, the lodge chief along with his advisors will appoint his replacement and the EC of the lodge meaning the Ch. Chiefs and the standing committee chairmen and the lodge officers with Ben abstaining will vote to approve that replacement. The replacement for Ben is Drew M.

Roll Call vote is necessary. If you are in favor say Aye and if you are opposed say nay.

Vote is unanimous – Drew M is appointed Vice Chief of Committees

Chapter Reports

Kasey R. – We held our Chapter meeting on Monday, Jan 16, 2012 at All Nations Church of God in Wytheville, Va. There were 12 members in attendance. We have been reminding members to pay their dues. We reminded everyone of registration for NOAC and Conclave. We have started appointing some of our committee chairs. We discussed 2012 gold cards and introduced the silver cards. Discussed Strong Chapter requirements and Elangomats requirements for 2012. We signed up for a fire-building station at the March Webelos event. Our Publications chair is currently working on our Chapter website and Facebook page. Tomorrow we will be having election team training at our Feb. 13 Meeting.

Jason U. – The Saura Chapter held an unscheduled special called meeting on February 5, 2012. Several items were discussed.

- Upcoming Merit Badge College being held at Patrick Henry Community College on Feb. 11. Saura Chapter will be providing lunch for the participants to eat on site. A special of two slices of pizza, drink, chips, and a cookie will be \$5 per plate. The times will be from 10am – 2pm for all able to assist.
- Webelos weekend at the Powhatan Reservation – Saura to provide First aid training to assist the ones crossing over to Boy Scouts with the advancement reqs.
- Replacement and repair of Tap Out Regalia\

Reminded everyone of the chapter Meeting to be held at the Winter Camporee the weekend of Feb. 17-19 at the Python Property off 58W of Martinsville. This meeting is to discuss the formation of an Election Committee and interested members in being members of the ceremony team.

Bradley I.: In January, we had a new office elected. Our Treasurer position is the only vacancy we have. They next meeting we hope to fill that position. We are also in the process of updating our membership records. We are planning to visit troops to talk about OA. We would also like to become involved in OA ceremonies and develop our own ceremonies team.

Lane S. – Tuscarora chapter has had a great month. We had a major success of a Winter Camporee. At the campfire we hosted on that Sat. Night, we tapped out 18 new candidates. We are discussing a chapter fundraiser that will be decided on at our next meeting. At the next meeting we will also finalize what event we will be hosting at the “Webelos the Reservation” and begin planning for that. Next meeting: March 14, 2012 at St. Lukes UMC

Kiernan B. Rowenok - We held our meeting last Thursday where we discussed Webelos to the Res., ceremonies, and strong chapter. We recently conducted a crossover ceremony for a pack in our district and are looking forwards to offering many more ceremonies like it in the future. Our next meeting will be on March 8th at 7:30 PM at Raleigh Court UMC.

Carter E. – Kook has started off a great year. We have some dues paid and some fundraiser ideas. Also, we have a few potential ceremonialists. If anyone has any comments questions of concerns, call me at (434)942-4755 or email: carterandwinston@aol.com

Will H. – Catawba Chapter is doing great. In our last meeting we made ideas and motioned them for Webelos to Reservation as well as to assist with our district’s Klondike derby. The chapter meeting time and location has been changed to the first Sunday of each month at 2:30 PM at the First Christian Church in Salem.

Justin D. – At our last meeting we got a list of ideas about lodge fundraisers and we got the information out to our members about that. On Jan. 26th, our ceremonies team preformed a crossover ceremony. On the 29th, a few members from troop 48 helped take down the Ottari Chapel. We encourage everyone to pay their dues. Our next Chapter meeting will be Feb. 14th At the Central UMC in Radford at 7:30.

Matt R.: Approving the Strongest and Strong Chapter form. Every Chapter chief and advisor should have received this form.

Are there any particular items that a chapter would like to discuss?

Kiernan B.: 5 and 6b look the same

Matt R.: The idea behind this is that by the end of the year you should be at 35 % so we don't want to deduct if you don't hit the bench marks. These bench marks are to get you to promote brotherhood early. As long as you reach the conversion and the dues by the fall fellowship you will be okay.

Brandon W.: The req. about bringing food to the Chap. Chief at every lodge meeting is a joke.

Kasey R.: Why do we need a report and turn in the minutes if the Report is based off of the minutes.

Brandon W.: We need a really detailed record of what is going on.

No Further Discussion

Motion to pass the Strongest/ Strong Chapter Form made by Brandon W.

Second made by everyone.

Aye's have it. Motion is passed.

Old Business

Matt R.: Function Patch designs – No more submissions besides Mitchell and Brent.

Designer's Discussion

Mitchell - The one on the left is modern and edgy and the right is simplistic. Mine will have a patch for each function.

Brent – Following what we have done for the past few years where it is one patch split up into different parts representing each function.

Vote:

For Design #1: 20 votes

For Design #2: 8 votes

For Design #3: 1 vote

Design Number One wins. (Mitchell's modern edgy design)

Matt R.: I would like to entertain the motion that Patch Design #1 will be our design. Does anyone so move?

Drew M.: I so move.

Brent R.: Second.

No discussion

Aye's have the vote.

More old business

Matt R.: When the section came to start the online registration process for Conclave this year, they did pre-orders online as well and we didn't know it but they also put the lodge delegation t-shirt and patch to buy on there as well. If you did that, your money did not go to waste. What will happen: the shirts are 10\$ each regardless of size. You pre-ordered your shirt; you will get one at conclave. The patch set is more that \$5 so if you ordered the patch online you will get it at conclave. If you would like the trader patch as well, for each delegate patch you ordered online, you only have to pay 3 more dollars to get the trader. Pre-order is over now btw. The prices are the same from pre-order to the prices at conclave.

Bill I.: In the past, the prices for the set were cheaper than the ones we get back in the fall function. So if you want the patches when you go to conclave, it will be \$8 and at the function it will be \$10.

More Old Business

Gary: Council has pre-registered us at national with 47 delegates. We currently have 33 signed up so still room if you want to go to NOAC.

Matt R.: There was some confusion about NOAC saying that it would cause you to have to leave early. NOAC doesn't start until the Monday after the last week of camp. So, unless you are working cub camp, it will not interfere. Last NOAC there was actually shuttles that went by the camps to pick up those staying until Sunday. So we encourage as many youth as we can to go.

Gary H.: Usually what we do is provide a bus from Powhatan to Ottari and the NOAC shuttle will pick up at Ottari, which will be probably late Sunday evening.

New Business

Matt R.: Council of Chiefs was held last Sat. at Waynesboro, VA. Tutelo was 1/3 of the people there. Mike Lewis ran the meeting and Ben was elected section chief.

In review of that, we have some preparation items needed from our committees for Conclave. For ceremonies, Adam announced that if you are interested in competing at NOAC you should contact him. Now, the ceremonies competitions aren't really "First, Second, Third." Instead, it is Honor, Merit, and Standard. That way is to not say you are better than anyone, it is to rate you personally on how you do in the ceremony. So even if you are a novice team, we encourage going to NOAC to compete in the ceremonies competitions just so you can get feedback so you as a team can improve and to provide a better ceremony for the arrowmen.

For Drum and dance we are still working on getting two adult judges. They also have sessions at Conclave you can attend if you are even remotely interested in Drum and Dance.

For the CVC, Tyler Wright will be running that.

T-Bone: There will be 5 or 6 areas of training at conclave. We don't have the full schedule yet. What I am expecting, although I haven't asked the other lodges to help, is to keep out rep. as Tutelo. So, if I could ask you all to help me and teach a training session it would be greatly appreciated. Anything that I know

you can do I may come to you about and ask you to help out as well. All this will probably fall on our shoulders as a lodge to get our trainings in there.

Matt R.: Next is Van Requests. Carpooling makes it easier to attend conclave. So the council has agreed to provide vans as it has in the past. 16 passengers each. So what the Chapter chiefs need to do is go to their chapter meeting and find out who wants to be in a van so you can get exact numbers for us then email Chris Dempsey your request. Now the thing about the carpool is: there will be a \$10 per person gas fee. That way the lodge doesn't have to cover that price.

Now, Team Captains – Biggest thing the lodge is worried about is activities. We want to know what they are going to throw at us in order for us to beat them.

Activities and Team Captains:

Cheyenne Game (Hacky-sack type game) – No current captain. Encourage all chapter chiefs to see if anyone in your chapter knows the game and can be captain.

Obstacle Course – Will be kind of like a run except they throw stuff at you. Team Captain – Kiernan B. Also, everyone on this team has to be fewer than 21 years of age.

Volleyball – Captain: Drew Miller.

Ultimate – Gavin Dawson: Gavin has said to email him quickly for he will have practices in Roanoke soon.

Tug-of-War – Steven H.

Lodge Ball – Tyler Wright

All Chapter Chiefs need to get this out there and get people signed up for these.

More Business

Matt R.: Conclave feast item! In the past, we have done ham biscuits. We can do those again or we can try something else.

Discussion

T-Bone: HAM BISCUITS!!

Mr. Hamilton – Ham Biscuits has been traditional and it is easy for us to do. We would love to hear other recommendations, however.

Steven H.: How about cupcakes and/or fudge rounds?

(End Discussion)

Brandon W. motions to make Ham Biscuits the meal offering

Second –everyone

*No discussion

VOTE: Aye's have it- motion passed

More Business

Matt R.: Webelos to reservation –

- Brand New, made to promote summer camp, the reservation, and crossing over into Boy Scouts.
- The event is geared towards Webelos II's and new scouts in troops
- This will be held at Camp Powhatan.
- A lot of the stations will be guided toward scouting skills, but there will also be some about reservation programs such as mountain man and so forth.
- For the adults that attend, there will be scoutmaster specific adult training. This will include talking to the adults about what the programs on the reservation are and are about.
- This event will be held the weekend of March 24th.
- Staff can arrive March 23rd (the Friday before), while the event will be just during the day on Saturday the 24th.
- No limit for attendance. Not expecting the first year to be terribly large.
- The lodge is not supporting this with any money – this is only with volunteer staff. Everything will be paid for through attendance fees

Chapter Stations

- Catawba – Handicraft – using the handicraft area to do things involved in merit badges or possible totem chit.
- V-Da-Li and Saura– First Aid
- Moneton – Knot Tying
- Wil-kip-Jo – Fire Building
- Kook – Climbing
- Tuscarora – Mountain Man - Dutch Oven Cooking, flint locks
- Rowenok – Low C.o.p.e.

Jobs for Chapters for Webelos to the Reservation

- Provide skits – You may work with other chapters. Email them to Kiernan B.

More Business

Matt R.: OA high adventure –

- Something you can do as an individual, something you can sign up for.
- The section offers two scholarships every year to pay your full way to an OA high adventure base.
- Application available on the lodge website
- Have a chance to go to OA ocean adventure (SeaBase), Northern tier, or trail crew program (Philmont)
- Adventure.oa.bsa.org

More business

NOAC Scholarship Policy –

- Lodge is committed to offering monetary assistance for those youth members who would like to attend.
- The assistance is not: You send us an email and we send you money

Camp Card Program –

- Cards with discounts on them for store within a district. Has one year expiration date.
- 5 dollars each – 2.50 to scout for their NOAC fund.
- Anyone who wants to do this must sell 150 camp cards
- To sell only 100 gets you half way there
- 150, the lodge will make up the difference and pay your journey
- You must request a scholarship in order to do this – you cannot just go out and sell the cards
- Each card sold will go towards your personal NOAC fund
- Adults – if interested in selling them at your workplace, the money would go into a general NOAC fund and we would use that money for things like offsetting the price of transportation, memorabilia items. And, if we are to sell enough, to get money to arrowmen to assist them in the scholarship
- Adults if interested for above contact Gary.
- If you are not part of the Scholarship, you may still get the cards to sell to help the general NOAC fund

Motion to Approve the NOAC Scholarship Policy – by Drew Miller

Second by Jason Ussery

Aye's have it – Policy Adopted

More Business

Matt R.: March Day of Service – Goal is to get it out of the way as quickly as possible. But, by doing one early in the spring, we are opening up the possibility of doing one in the fall. Therefore, increasing the amount of service we provide not just to the reservation, but to the community. Steven H. has a proposal.

Steven H.: We will have it at Claytor Lake State Park (Not aquatics base). I need chapter chiefs to go back to their chapters and get a rough estimate of how many people you know are going to come so we can plan our project size accordingly. We need to decide on what the date is going to be- either March 10th or 17th. We will decide on that today.

Discussion

For March 10th, people will have to drive back and forth on the same weekend

For March 17th, it would tie up three weekends in a row

By OA policy, 10th would be more acceptable

(End Discussion)

Vote on date: March 10th wins

Motion to make March 10th the day of service for March – By Brandon W.

Second - by Brent

Aye's have it. Motion passed.

More Business

Steven H.: I got an email from the COC about a Nawakwa service project. They want to get about 100 people there, youth preferably. They have about three more miles left on the trail they have been building. The cost for that is \$30 which includes transportation while you are up there, food, and a specially designed t-shirt (\$3 extra if XXL or above), also a cool lodge flap. The date for this is March 30 through April 1st. Only thing you need is hi-top boots and appropriate clothing. This is not an official lodge event. Looking for adult support staff as well as EMT's

More Business

Matt R.: "Where to Go Camping Guide" – It lists top ten places to go in each district to go camping. It describes fees and activities in the area and general detail about the camping place. We also a description of the reservation and all of our programs. This guide is an assignment to all of the chapter chiefs by the April meeting. You will each provide ten places within the boundaries of your chapter where troops can go camping. Has to be a place that is accessible by most units. So can't be like a scoutmaster's plot of land.

Last of New Business

Ottari Chapel Project – Has been an ongoing thing for up to ten years. Ottari has needed a new chapel. There is funding in the lodge account. Monteon has pledged \$1300. And of course, as of Jan. 28th, Ottari Chapel is no more. We have had some ideas for the replacement. Gary and Greg have helped come up with great ideas that we will present to you.

Gary H.: The Chapel would seat approx 435 people with two handicap slots. The base concept is a stage with a center tower and two walls on each side. The walls would actually act as seating walls so staff could be assembled when they had commissioners camp or people participating in a chapel ceremony. The design has the scout sign incorporated into it. The tower's main support structure is the three W's. The background in the center part would be stone, and is made to mimic the scout sign. Now, this would be a concrete slab possibly with a Tutelo lodge emblem similar to the handicraft shelter at Camp Powhatan. The building at the base of the tower would actually be a 6x6 storage room where they can store sound equipment and misc. things they are using during the summer. The tower and room structure would be made from reclaimed lumber from the reservation.

Mike H.: The lodge account has set 7500 for this.

Motion to approve the funding of up to 7500 for the new Ottari chapel – by T-Bone

Second – Drew M.

Discussion

This is the ward money.

The 7500 we are using is saved for the Ottari Chapel.

(End Discussion)

VOTE:

Aye's have it- Motion passed

More New Business

Rawenok Chapter would like to make eye black to boost conclave spirit. Activities would like to do a fundraiser to help pay for the cost of this. There are two options to choose. One has the Tutelo Symbol and Tutelo Lodge written on it for both sides and the second has the Tutelo Symbol on one side and Tutelo Lodge written for the other side. We will sell these for two dollars. Once again, in order to do this we need to do a fundraiser.

Motion to have Tutelo Eye Black for Conclave to be sold – by Kiernan B.

Second – Brent R.

Discussion

We are going to just choose one instead of doing both. And the idea for this is to sell these and make a profit.

(End Discussion)

VOTE: Aye's have it. Motion passed.

More New Business

Rawenok Chapter would like to have a brotherhood ceremony and conversion at the Webelos to Reservation for our chapter and it will also include members of the lodge.

Motion to allow Rawenok Chapter to do a brotherhood ceremony and conversion at Webelos to Reservation— by Kiernan B.

Second – Brent R.

Discussion

Adam – Kiernan and I have discussed this and we have organized a Rawenok Team to do this.

The cost to do this would be pretty much covered by the brotherhood fee and the cost for one ceremony will be negligible. What it does cost will be covered by Rawenok Chapter.

(End Discussion)

VOTE: Aye's have it- Motion passed.

REMINDERS

Matt R.: Paying dues! – Gold Cards is a great option. All of the forms are available online. Chapters need to be promoting this. The first bench march of 10% is on March 1st.

Online registration for conclave is still open through the section website. Pre-orders ended Feb. 10th, however. But the online registration for Conclave contingent goes until March 14th. After that date there is a 20\$ fee all the way until April 15th. At the door cost would be \$80.

For NOAC, go to Gary for scholarship info.

Committee Chairmen – you have been provided with a budget request form. This is due by March 1st or we will assume that you committee doesn't need any money.

March meeting will be the 11th at 2:30 PM at the Council Service Center.

Day of Service is March 10th.

Minutes

Chris Dempsey – We need more youth going to NOAC and we hope these camp cards encourage you some. If money is the road block, we encourage you to come get camp cards.

I really feel we are on target with Webelos to Reservation. For the numbers, I will be checking with Susan to know what we can expect and you all will know what to prepare for.

For budget item, we are really looking forward to helping you guys get your budgets together so we can do everything your chapters and committees want to do. So make sure you are holding fast to the deadline so we can put things into the budget to make your dreams come true.

Kevin Reedy – I am a guy about the basics. We've talked about in meetings "Do your Best." But the truth is, I don't know if that's good enough. I think we should strive to do our best today, but always strive to do better tomorrow. Always trying to improve just a little bit is how this lodge has become so great. We have so many things planned in our future. All things can improve and we should put everything we have into it this year.

Matthew R: This year, the lodge is undertaking a lot of responsibility and we are happy to do that as Scouting's National Honor Society. This past Wednesday was scouting's 102nd birthday and the OA's b-day is coming up in 2015. We are firmly committed to supporting scouting in our second century and Tutelo Lodge itself is in a great position to provide even more service to our council which happens to have the best summer camp program in the nation. But Tutelo is AWESOME. In the past month, we have stressed not being a cookie-cutter, and Tutelo is no cookie-cutter lodge! They give Tutelo a lot of crap about being un-sportsman-like, cocky, boastful, and unconcerned with how other lodges are doing. Bet yet, they still choose Tutelo Arrowmen to run everything. They still know that they can turn to a Tutelo Arrowman to get s__t done. This is because we are the best lodge in the section. So what we have to do is look back at the agenda and those notes and see what you have to do to help Tutelo lodge continue to be great. So it is very important for you to take this information to your chapters so we can get people to Conclave, so that we can bring out Kick-ass lodge and show them WHO DO YOU KNOW??? TUTELO!!!

Now, I would like to thank Alan for redoing the golden arrow award for us. I really appreciate that.

Circle Up.

Lodge Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Call to Order and Obligation

Invocation by James

Approval of Consent Agenda

Approved

Officer Reports

Carter E. – Big Lick has \$675.35, V-da-li \$471.50, Catawba \$1093.90, kook \$86.24, Tuscarora \$1168.67, Moneton \$1700.14, Wil-kip-jo \$143.72, Saura \$130.78, Lodge 45, 333

Kiernan B. for Vice Chief Committees

Mitchell A. Publications – All Torchbearers were sealed and labeled this week. Expect it some time this week. If you have anything you would like to see in the torchbearer send it to my email.

Jon R. Inductions – Gearing up for spring ordeal. We will go over scheduling things during this meeting.

Stephen H. Service – Days of service went well. There were 15 people in attendance and around 6 hours of service done. There were many tasks done totaling up to about 90 hours of service for Tutelo. All chapter chiefs need to start claiming your projects. It is first come, first serve. Send an email with what you want.

John V. Trading Post – Cool Tutelo Conclave stuff at Conclave this year, BUY SOME STUFF.

Kiernan B. Activities – We have been focusing on the Chief's Captain Tutelo Costume and the booth for Friday night. We are still looking for Nerf Guns for Friday night.

Brent R. Membership – Our goal for this year is 1047 dues, we have 274 dues turned in which includes 88 Gold Cards. Also, if you paid for your gold card and dues recently it shows that you have not paid them. The ones that were paid recently have been getting put into the wrong folder.

Justin D. Ottari C.O.C. – We have planned events like Frisbee and a night at handicraft creating necklaces for campers to wear. We want all brotherhood members to come to the Ceremony and cracker barrel to allow the members to more interactive with each other.

Vice Chief of Chapters Brandon W. – Chapter Chiefs, we are going to start doing something new each month. With your report, you are going to include a tip of the month. It will have various themes from month to month. Next month's will be unit elections. So, you should say something about how you conduct unit elections and something you think works well that other chapters might not do. **Reports:**

Jason U. Saura – Had a meeting on Feb. 18th. I had 4 troops sign up to have elections. The first election is Tuesday, March 13th with troop 61. There were also 2 members who were interested in doing ceremonies and 3 members wanting to Elangomat at the Spring Ordeal.

Kasey R. Wil kip Jo – Had a chapter meeting Monday, Feb. 13 with 14 members in attendance. We have been reminding members to pay their dues and to register for NOAC and Conclave. We are: continuing to appoint committee chairs, promoting Gold Cards, running fire-building at Webelos to Reservation, and reminding people about Day of Service.

Lane S. Tuscarora – I have been in contact with the candidates that were tapped at our district campfire and most have said they plan to go to the spring camporee. We have started working on ideas for our station at the Webelos to the Reservation. We are working with the cub scouts for Webelos to Woods and the Pinewood Derby. Next Ch. Meeting is Wednesday, March 14.

Kiernan B. Rowenok – We have our Webelos station prepared and our Brotherhood ceremony team as well. If there is anyone that would like to do their Brotherhood, let us know by March 21st. We are looking forward to Unit Elections. Next meeting is April 12th, 7 PM Raleigh Court United Methodist.

Justin D. Monteon – Did several blue and yellow ceremonies over the past couple weeks. The work on the Ottari Chapel is going well; we will plan another work day at our meeting. Next meeting Tuesday March 13 at 7:30.

V-da-Li – We filled out open position for chapter treasurer and we organized several committees. We recently held a unit elections training session. 50% of all our chapter members are active and have paid their dues. We currently have 6 youth and 2 adults committed to Conclave.

Will H. Catawba – Our dues percentage is at 28.7% . We are well on our way to reaching our 40% goal by Conclave. Our unit elections are ramping up under Ethan Wright. We are also asking troops about the where to go camping guide.

Carter E. Kook – We voted on a new t-shirt color at our last meeting. We had good attendance at the one day of service.

Old Business

Matt R. – Day of Service: we had fifteen participants show up yesterday. Most of those came from Wil Kip Jo. We planted several trees and cleaned up a bunch of trash. So, the service will be planning another Day of Service in the fall.

Conclave: Many advances made for Conclave. There are 5 promo videos online. Show them to your troop and chapter. We also have updates for Memorabilia – Frisbees came in! They will be 20\$ a piece at conclave. We have all patches in and will be sold 8\$ a set. The Cap'n Tutelo shirts will be 10\$ for all sizes. These will be sold Friday night at Conclave.

Tutelo is proud to say that we have met every challenge set by the Conclave Vice Chiefs.

- Promotions and Numbers: Last week we had 92 signed up and since then we have had 20 sign up so we are into the hundreds. The goal from the section is 170 and even though we are too close to this, we are doing well against other lodges. We must keep promoting Conclave! Bring anyone good at one of the competitions.
- Van Requests: What chapters need to do is: once you have a list of people who want to use the vans, you need to send a request to Chris Dempsey so that he can get the correct number of vans. Also, any passenger of the vans will be asked to give 10\$ towards gas so that the lodge isn't losing money over this.
- Team Captains: Have been decided. A Facebook message will be sent out to all those in the tuteloo group and also through the e-newsletter. The biggest thing, though, is we found a captain for the Cheyenne game (hacky sack). Ronnie Howell will be doing that. Kiernan is doing obstacle course, Stephen Doing Tug of War, Gavin doing Ultimate, Drew miller doing Volleyball, Tyler doing lodge ball. You should message them and volunteer for the team.

Noac

Gary Harvey – Preorders are up online. One of the items that you can order is the bag that will have the Tutelo Lodge Emblem on it. It is not specifically for NOAC so anyone can buy it. All proceeds will go to the NOAC account. The class scheduling will open up mid April. Everyone will receive their log in things to access that. There are still a few slots left, although they are filling up steadily. So if you are still interested there are 8 seats left. Scholarships: camp cards are out. If you are looking for a scholarship, see Chris Dempsey or myself to get camp cards. If you would like to sell camp cards to help out the lodge you can do that too. The payments due should be up to about 400 by now.

Where to Go Camping Guide

Matt R. – Will be due by April 1st. Chapter Chiefs should have 10 places to go by then. There will be an electronic edition of an older version that I will mail to all chapter chiefs. Go through and look through all the places that your chapter listed last time. We will also be creating an electronic version so that it is constantly updated and easily accessed.

New Business

Webelos to Reservation

Promote this! Changes have been made: the crossover ceremony will now be in the morning. Then they are official boyscouts, we will have .22 rifle shooting and many other programs run by the chapters. Chapter Chiefs, you should send a list of people you know will be helping.

Campfire: The staff on Friday night will come up with skits for the campfire.

Committee Budget Approval

- The money of the lodge is mostly all earmarked.

- A lot of the money is already accounted for functions
 - We have accounts for the functions that the money for each function goes into
- At the end of the year, any money left over as a small profit is put into a memorabilia fund
 - In this fund, 7500 is earmarked to the Ottari Chapel
 - It is here as a nest-egg for the lodge
 - This is what we have money to spend out of
- General Fund is when you pay 10\$ dues
 - Out of this comes administrative costs of the lodge – including 3\$ per person for National
- The trading post account is something we can spend out of, also
 - When trading post has to buy things it will be taken out of this account
 - When you buy patches from us, the money goes back into the trading post fund
 - Profit goes back into the memorabilia fund

When committees came to decide what they needed as funds, there was a lot to be decided as to what fund these will come from. The biggest thing we didn't want to do is spend too much from the memorabilia fund where at the end we were spending more than we got. So, in this budget, I have separated what comes from the General fund and what comes from the mem. fund. Anything that was shirts or patches was assigned to the trading post fund.

The committees this year are allowed to come to us and tell us what they want to spend to support their committee's program. Because, often times, we aren't supporting ourselves, but instead we are supporting our council to keep the scouting program healthy within the BRMC. This year we are focusing on giving back and supporting the committees that haven't been able to put money into themselves.

The good news with your requests is that there was nothing that we cut out. I am sure some of you are surprised at that. The way we worked it, when keeping it between the three main funds, we were able to make sure we are financially sound at the end of the year and also that you may invest in your committees to strengthen our lodge programs. We do not have to spend much out of the memorabilia fund because we see it as an investment in our future.

SO! What we must approve is the committee budgets for the year.

Service wants to spend \$150 on t-shirts on those who serve on staff for service committee.

Membership has money to go towards a new computer and also some administrative funds.

Ceremonies will have a lot towards regalia for the Principles competing at NOAC. It will also go to fixing and maintaining current lodge regalia. An inventory should be kept with this to keep regalia in good order.

Activities will have money for games and supplies to have awesome games.

Elangomat, flaps neemat patches have been assigned to Trading Post Account.

Vigil Selections – Have money for vigil shirts, guide shirts and also food and snack for meetings, money for fall fellowship vigils.

Discretionary Fund – There to be a safety net for committees that go over their money limit.

Drum and Dance – All regalia items and materials are funded for (also look for donations)

Chiefs of Camp – Getting funding directly from the lodge. \$550 for all camper weeks. Goes towards OA everyday program.

Discussion

Alan – Is there someone specific we should go through to get items like shirts?

Matt R. – There are people we go through regularly. If there is someone else you would like to buy from, you must still go through the council to get that source accepted.

Once again, the goal is to go under-budget in this.

Motion to pass the committees budgets

Second made

No discussion

Aye's have it – budget approved

NOAC Patches

Matt R. – We are moving for a theme of our delegate, trader, and CSP patches. The Tron Patches are still for sale as our fundraiser patches, but we still need to move forward on our delegate, trader, and CSP for those going to NOAC and members of the lodge. We have initial drafts for approval. The way we will do this: we are following a Justice League Theme with the previous Conclave themes we've had. If there are no objections, I would like to move forward with this theme and concept. If there are any objections, it would mean that you feel there is another, better idea for our theme.

Any objections?

What to do with the old Tron patches that weren't the Fundraisers?

We must come back to this next meeting then. There are now more chances for another patch theme to be presented.

Summit Shakedown Opportunity – You go to serve as the guinea pigs for the 2013 National Jambo. You will serve as staff. This is to decide what kinks will need to be fixed in the program. You will still get to go through all of the programs, it will just be on a smaller scale. It will be happening this summer 2012. What the Vice Chief particularly wanted was from our section, is he wanted people to volunteer to be staff for the OA trailcrew program. During the 2013 jambo, OA staff members will be giving tours of all the programs. He will lead a troop through the whole Jambo; it will be a one day tour. Since SR-7A is located in West VA, and Tutelo lodge is less than an hour away from the Summit, they are looking for 10-15 people to volunteer for this. The cost of the program is less than \$150 for staff at this Guinea pig event. Great option to see what it will be like at the Summit. Great opportunity to do great service for the Summit.

More New Business

Stephen H. – Motion to amend stong chapter to give points to chapters who stay after and clean up.

Greg Harmon came to and I collaborated with Brandon and decided it was a great way to help out chapters and help out me.

Brandon W. – After the functions are over with, it is a lot of work to get things cleaned up. It is normally done by rangers, which takes a lot from their time. I feel it would be nice to have a chapter or two stay after and help clean up.

Kiernan B. – We have an idea that when chapters go above and beyond, they should really be rewarded. Could this be considered now?

VOTE: Nay. Motion killed.

*Will be brought up next time.

If you would like to volunteer for this, see Brandon W.

More New Business

Jon R. – If you all, especially service and ceremonies, have something you would like to put in, we would like to have service meetings with adults on Friday. Or if you all would like to have a pow wow throughout the week, jot that down and give me a time that is not on this list and send it to me. This right now, however, is the bare bones of how it will go for how the ceremony and spring function is going to work.

Friday

7PM - check in

8 PM – Ordeal will meet in the parade field. Also Elangomat training

8:30 PM – Pre-Ordeal Chat

8:50 PM – Ordeal Candidates leave for Ceremony

9:15 PM – Ceremony Begins

10:15 PM – Crackerbarrel/ entertainment

Saturday

7:25 AM – Ordeal Candidates wake and breakfast

8:30 AM – Ordeal will begin their work

9:00 AM – Everyone else starts service

11:45 AM – Candidates return for lunch

12:00 PM – Everyone else has lunch

12:30 PM – Candidates return to work

4:30 PM – All work stops. Everyone cleans up until 6:15 PM

6:00 PM – Ordeal Diner (eat separately from everyone else)

6:15 PM – Line up for regular diner

6:30 PM – Diner begins

7:15 PM – Brotherhood Tapout

7:45 PM – Ordeal Ceremony

9:00 PM – Brotherhood Candidates Begin Walk

9:20 PM – Brotherhood Ceremony Begins

10:00 PM – Crackerbarrel

Sunday

8:00 AM – Breakfast

More New Business

Stephen H. – It has come to my attention that the Lodge Advisor has to pay for NOAC. I would like to make a motion that we pay for the Lodge Advisor to go to NOAC like we do with the Lodge Chief.

Motion Seconded.

Discussion

Stephen H. – I would like to amend the motion so that the Total amount for the trip is \$550.

Amendment Seconded.

VOTE: Aye's have it. Amendment passes.

Discussion

None

VOTE: Aye's have it. Motion passes

More New Business

Stephen H. – I now have my t-shirt design ready. It will be a bright color that will be decided later.

I would like to make a motion that we make this the design that goes on our Service committee shirts.

Motion Seconded.

No discussion

VOTE: Aye's have it. Motion carried.

Reminders

Conclave Deadline March 14th. \$60 after this date until April 14th, then it's \$80 at the door.

Contact all Brothers in your Chpters and Troops to get every one we can.

March 24th is the Webelos to Reservation Event

PAY YOUR DUES!

NOAC contingent is filling up, However, there is still Space.

Next EC Meeting is on April 15th (Not second Sunday Due to Easter.)

Minutes

Chris Dempsey – We are really busy. I feel really good about moving on as a Lodge. There are many important events coming up in the future. Keep Matt and the rest of the committees informed on where you are since the event is in less than two weeks.

The Lodge Chief has your back. He's done a fantastic job in putting this event together; we are so excited that we can give you money for this year. But keep in mind we need you guys to be good stewards of that money. We want to be able to fund awesome projects in the lodge.

Keven R. – We are coming to the starting line. I know it seems like we've done a lot already this year, but we've only made it to the starting line. There is only a month until Conclave, a few months until our first function of the year, and a couple of weeks until Webelos to Reservation. We need 100% participation from everybody now.

Matt R. – Now we've pretty much done all of the Administrative stuff for the year. All that you have requested has been provided for you, and now it's your time to run with it. Continue to be innovative. A lot of you guys have been doing great things so keep it up. As a lodge, we are about to go into our spring functions, starting off with Conclave. Everything will be coming quickly after that. Everyone should all be getting ready to talk with each other outside and doing whatever it takes to provide the program that our lodge members deserve. It is good to learn from other lodges and other places to strengthen our own lodge. Find out what others do better than us and use that to improve Tutelo.

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Lodge Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Call to Order, Obligation

Invocation by Brandon W.

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Officer Reports

Treasurer Carter E. –

Ceremonies Committee Adam C. – The Ceremonies Committee would like to thank Moneton Chapter for providing an incredible Cub Scout Crossover Ceremony at the Webelos to Reservation last month. We are looking forward to Conclave in a short two weeks and are sending three teams to compete in the Pre-Ordeal ceremony, and one team to compete in the Brotherhood Ceremony. Our Committee feels as though our teams are going to be great in competition, and that these teams will gain a better understanding of the inductions process and be able to perform great ceremonies for our lodge in the future.

On that note, we are also looking forward to the spring function of which we have already established teams to perform each of the ceremonies. However, we are still looking for people to help with upkeep of the ceremonial ground and would appreciate as much help as possible during functions. So if helping out with the ceremonies, or being a ceremonialist sounds appealing to you, please see me after the meeting. Also, if you wish to be a ceremonialist, you can see me after the meeting.

Dance and Drum Jeremy J. – We were glad to see we had several Tutelo Brothers at the powwow in Radford yesterday. It is nice to see the interest. I am currently trying to get some additional info about starting our drum team and locating the right person to get in contact with. If you know anyone who is knowledgeable in this field, please let me know. The designs and ideas are starting to get thrown around about dance sets of regalia and exactly what we want to purchase. Once again, if anyone is interested in dance, drum, making regalia, etc. please see me after the meeting.

Publications Mitchell A. – Work on the June Edition of *The Torchbearer* has already begun. Your reports are due on APRIL 25TH, two days from now. Additionally, I have set up an online form for you to share your memories of Cameron to be compiled into a special memorial page in his honor. Please share any of your thoughts through this page or by emailing me at malexander161@gmail.com.

Vigil Selections Steven B. – We have been working on a possible new t-shirt design. We have been working on a Vigil weekend during the summer or early fall. Also, we have some vigil nomination forms that have been altered this year.

Elangomat James C. – We have created a checking guide for Friday night to train Elangomats. We also have been working on nimat training guides to hand out to them. They will have the most commonly asked questions on them for reference.

Inductions Jon R. – The Inductions Committee is finalizing the last of it’s final details as we continue to prepare for the biggest years in history and looks forward to setting new standards in Inductions performance. The Spring Ordeal is only months away and I and my Team have a lot of work to do before the first service weekend of the year rolls around. As time runs down, we pick up. We have finalized our function schedule and are preparing to elect our Brotherhood and Ordeal masters. We still need some help with staffing during the functions so anyone that is interested come on down and prepare to work hard.

Service Stephen H. – Chapter Chiefs need to start claiming projects that they would like to do for the spring ordeal. It will be first come first serve, so send me an email.

Trading Post John V. – Trading Post will have Tutelo items at Conclave. We are working on getting a catalog online.

Activities Kiernan B. – If you have any songs you would like to add to our ultimate playlist, please comment them on the lodge page or email me personally. We would also like to have more nerf guns for Friday night. At our next function, you can expect exciting games, a movie on Friday night, and the 50/50 patch auction. Also, be on the lookout for anything that shouts “I love America” because that is our theme, of course.

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| Membership Brent R. – Goal | 1,047 | |
| Have | 382 | includes 114 gold cards |
| Need | 665 | |
| Percentage | 36.48% | |

Powhatan C.O.C. Adam C. – In the recent weeks, I have established a list of evening and lunchtime activities that the lodge will host on camper weeks at Camp Powhatan. The list includes a Volley Ball game, Ultimate Frisbee game, Handicraft activities, and some brief discussions of OA history and ceremonial basics. Also, the Thursday night cracker-barrel will contain more activities and games to encourage conversation with other lodges that go to camp during the summer. We will also be promotion our activities frequently to encourage attendance at our events. To aid in this process, I am currently creating posters that will be hung in the dining hall for all to see during meals. Also, in an effort promote the OA in all aspects of camp, we will ask the staff to help as much as possible with our activities.

Chapter Reports

Moneton Chapter Cody S. –

Kook Carter E. – We just had our campout/one day of service this weekend. We had 15 members of kook in attendance to help park cars and assist the instructors at Clover Hill. We also had our meeting Thursday at Fort Hill United Methodist on April 12th. We are ordering our t-shirts in a week.

Wil-Kip-Jo Kasey R. – We held our Chapter Meeting on Monday, Mar. 12th with 14 members in attendance. We have been reminding members to pay their dues and buy gold cards. We reminded everyone of registration of NOAC and Conclave. We did not have a true business meeting, and most of us made chapter necklaces, while our ceremonialists worked on their parts. Our April meeting was cancelled to allow our members to attend Cameron's memorial. Elections will be held at our spring camporee. Our next meeting is Monday, May 14th.

Catawba Will H. – Our section of the where to go camping guide has been successfully completed. We got the people set up that needed to take the buses to conclave. At the spring camporee, we tapped out 12 new brothers. Next meeting is Sunday, May 6th at 2:30 PM.

V-da-Li Bradley I. – We have held a few unit elections and are holding more in the next few weeks. We have completed our where to go camping guide. Our next meeting is Thursday, April 19th.

Rowenok Kiernan B. – We have started our election process and are looking forward to Conclave.

Tuscarora Lane S. – We are moving forward and taking the necessary steps to accomplish our chapter's goals. We are currently planning a regalia night and summer activities. We are also planning on hosting a tent at one of the many local festivals. Lastly, we are making our final chapter preparations for Conclave.

Saura Jason U. – We had our meeting on March 18th where we talked about NOAC, Conclave, Day of Service, and Unit Elections. Saura is preparing for a Tap-Out at our Spring Camporee next weekend.

Old Business

- Webelos to Reservation Review

Matt R. – This was a great success! We will need to work out just a few kinks in order to make this an Annual tradition. This also helps make money for the lodge which is necessary. If you have critics or constructive criticism, please talk to Kevin or Chris. I would also like to thank Ed Hamilton and the kitchen crew because they did an excellent job working out of the mobile kitchen. Thanks, also, to all of the chapter chiefs for coming out to do their part.

- Conclave

- o Memorabilia Update

Matt R. – all of our memorabilia is good to go. Patches are in, Frisbees are in, eye black is in, and our t-shirts are in too. Prices: Frisbee are \$15 only at conclave. T-shirts are \$10 for all sizes. Patches are \$8 per set (trader and delegate). Eye Black is \$2.

o Numbers

Matt R. - We had the second largest contingent behind the host, Shenshawpoopoo ← :D. We were only behind them by ten or so. Thank you to all who worked on promotions for Conclave.

o Van Requests

Matt R. - Those who requested a ride in our council vans remember it is \$10 per person. The chapter advisor needs to arrange with Charlie to go to the reservation to pick up a van during the week before Conclave. We also ask that they take the responsibility to take the van back afterwards.

o Team Captains

Matt R. – We’ve filled up almost all of our teams except for hacky sack, volleyball, and tug of war. Frisbee also needs two more people.

- **NOAC Update**

Gary H. – Those going, see me after. I have our official NOAC patches to give to you. I need everyone to go online and set up your accounts. When you go on the site and enter your information it will make you an actual delegate.

Matt R. – The deadline for getting a polo or duffle bag will be Conclave. Then, you can bring your money and get it from us. But, you are obligated to buy whatever you preorder.

- **Where To Go Camping Guide**

Matt R. - Thank you to all who have sent them to me. We are good to go so thank you so much. We will be working to have these published within the next few weeks.

- **2012 Function Schedule (Schedule passed out)**

Jon R. – (Goes over the handed out schedule)

Matt R. – The major changes in the schedule:

- Elangomat and Nimat Training – with James C.’s power point presentation
- Added a Movie – Captain America at the Spring ordeal.
- Moved Ordeal wake up time – Used to be 6:30, now it is 7:45. This is because, in the afternoon, the ordeal candidates will be working longer.
- The way dinner is going to work – Will start at 5:45 to give them a half an hour. They will be meeting at 5:30 to make sure they have a half hour to eat. There will then be flags in between to two shifts of dinner.
- Brother’s dinner will be after flags at 6:30
- Ordeal orientation – during regular dinner. The lodge chief will talk with the candidates and tell them what the order of the arrow is.
- Brotherhood Tapout – 7:15

- Sunday is normal except for chapter clean up. This is so the rangers don't have such a large job.

Motion to approve the 2012 Function Schedule.

Motion by Kiernan. Second by Brent R.

No discussion. Approved.

New Business

- NOAC Patch Concept Approval

Matt R. – After we left an extra month to submit patch designs, there is only one patch. Is there a motion to approve this concept?

Motion made by Kiernan. Second by Drew M.

Discussion: Will we discuss how the delegate, trader and CSP will be divided up?

Amendment to motion: Single flap as delegate and trader

Motion made by Kiernan. Second by Brent R.

Approved.

Discussion: Matching Borders?

Matt R. – Delegate and CSP is concept, trader will change border color.

Patch Concept Approved.

- 2012 Welcome Package/Packet

Matt R. – Describes everything that one needs to know about the OA. It will be updated every year to change names of staff. The idea of this is to have a printed copy given to every candidate at each function and there will also be a copy available on the lodge website.

Motion to approve the Welcome Packet.

Motion made by James C. Second by John V.

Discussion: Can this be send to all EC before spring function?

Amendment: Send to all EC to edit.

Motion by Steven B. Second by James C.

Approved

2012 Welcome Packet Approved.

- 15th Anniversary Booth Update/Requests

Kiernan B. – So far, we are shooting tutelo cups with our nerf guns. So, if you have any nerf guns you can bring, we are looking for the hand held stuff not the huge ones. So if the contestant shoots the cup down, they get the cup.

- **Holiday Tree**

Matt R. – This year, we are going off an OA theme. Our lodge will be providing a lot of things for the tree. Orville G. is the lead man for this project and he needs help making these ornaments. Everyone who wants to help needs to contact him to see what he needs.

Orville G. – This is not a one man show! I have raw materials to make these things at every function. Anything you buy will not be put under the tree; it must be hand-made.

Reminders

Conclave deadline was today, April 15th. It will be \$80 at the door if you do not sign up today.

This Conclave will be a Conclave for Cameron. This should push us to win that 15th golden arrow.

Carolina Ceremony Fellowship Registration is Open.

PAY YOUR DUES!

Next meeting is May 20th at the spring ordeal.

Minutes

Chris Dempsey – I want to thank everyone who had a part in Webelos to Reservation. And a big hand to our kitchen crew. Hopefully we have a better concept of what that needs to look like for next year. Of course, we had fantastic reports from everybody. Another thing is that summer camp needs staff members for Ottari. Please contact me. We need a ton of staff and support.

I am extremely proud to be a part of this lodge. The love and support you showed for Cameron and his family just blew me away. I want to thank you all for that.

Kevin Reedy – I want to thank everyone for what we have done so far. But, Conclave is two weeks away. One key part of Tutelo's success is preparation and planning. So, if you are responsible for any part in Conclave, I ask you to give 110% and make this Conclave another one for the books.

Matthew R. – We are coming into the big function season for the lodge. This is the time where I get really excited. Conclave is two weekends from now. And I believe there is something about Tutelo that makes us win every year. It is not necessarily that we have the best athletes, even though we do. It's not that we fill the biggest numbers, even though we do. It's something called brotherhood. And I know there are three principles in the OA that are Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service. I know that we have Cheerful Service is something we have down pat. But, brotherhood is something that is hard to really grasp for a lot of lodges. Tutelo is different because if you are wearing that Tutelo Totem, you are a part of the family. That has been our big thing since the passing of Cameron is our "One Lodge, One Family" Campaign. Just by looking at how many people changed their profile picture on facebook to that ribbon just speaks volumes to the kind of brotherhood that we live in as Tutelo Lodge. That is what is

going to carry us to win as a lodge. As some know, Blue Heron lodge is meeting to practice because they "have to beat Tutelo." This is where I want us to be. That is the position that I want Tutelo to be in and it will remain in that position for a very long time. We have won that golden arrow for 14 years in a row. No other lodge comes close. We should be proud that we are the lodge that others target, that other lodges hate on. But, at Conclave 2012, when we march onto that field wearing our captain America shirts and our Frisbees going around, they will know that Tutelo is the one to beat. They will know that Tutelo is the one they cannot beat. So, we are going to go to that event and kick some SR-7A ass.

WHO DO YOU KNOW?

TUTELO!

Lodge Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

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Treasurer Carter E. – V-Da-li has \$471. 50, Catawba has \$1993.90, Kook has \$86.24, Tuscarora has \$1868.57, Moneton has \$1700.14, Wil-Kip-Jo has \$143.72, and Saura Chapter has \$130.78. Total for the lodge is \$58,049.82.

Drum and Dance Jeremy J. – We are excited that we are seeing more interest from our brothers in the lodge for drum and dance after conclave. It was great seeing so many of our brothers out in the AIA area. Anyone who has any regalia they would want to let our committee borrow for the youth at our pow wows, please come and see me after the meeting. I ensure everything will be in great care. Any others who want to begin dancing, beadwork, and even want to help start a drum team please come see me. We will be more than happy to get you started and we will help you along the way.

Elangomat Committee James C. – Elangomat committee had a successful weekend. We held our first training this weekend and it went well. I would like to thank the chapters who sent elangomats. I would also like to thank all of the elangomats who helped make this weekend a success. Also, all chapter chiefs need to send me their two elangomats and one Nimat by Sunday, May 27th by 12:00 Midnight if you want strong chapter. I would also like to give a warm welcome to all new ordeal members.

Service Committee Stephen H. - This weekend we completed many great things for the camp. We built tables and platforms, built "Gary's latrine" at point camp, constructed cabins at Claytor and did many other great things. With the new schedule, we had the opportunity to complete greater amounts of service time and we utilized it. With that utilized time, we have completed roughly 1500 man hours. Now, we have already begun planning for Summer Ordeal.

Membership Brent R. - Our goal is 1,047, we have 549 dues paid with 155 gold cards. Brotherhood conversion after this weekend is 22.8%. Percentage paid is almost the same as last year.

Publications Mitchell A. – June Torchbearer will be printed within the next week. If you have pictures from this weekend please send them to me at my listed email.

Vigil Selections Steven B. – Vigil forms are online and due by lunchtime at the next function. You may also email them to Steven, his email is on the website.

Ceremonies Adam C. – The ceremony committee had a very successful function this weekend. I would like to thank the Wil-Kip-jo, Rowenok, and Camp Powhatan teams for performing. Also, we completed our committee brochure.

Activities Kiernan B. – We had a successful weekend filled with smiles and fun times. There was the 50/50 patch auctions, the UNO game, and plenty other options. If you haven't heard, we have a very special event right after lunch at the next function. It is our first ever water balloon/water gun fight in the history of the lodge.

Inductions Committee Jon R. – Next function we'll be at Powhatan so we will be looking forward to that. We have some schedule changes to go through including an additional flags in the morning.

Dining Services Jeff K – Dining services, so far, has been a great success. Volunteers have been very cheerful and willing to help. In total, we've had about 60 helpers serve, and that's pretty impressive.

Trading Post John V. – If you have pre-ordered NOAC items, you can pick them up at the T.P. next function.

Chapter Reports

Tuscarora Lane S. - Had a great time this past month. We help at our local Cub Scout Gold Rush by helping set up some of their events and our chapter also ran their campfire that night. It was a great turn out at the event and we had a lot of fun doing skits for them and watching theirs. We also held our last meeting before we take our summer break last Wednesday, May 9th. Although it was our last official meeting until we come back from our summer break, we have a regalia night scheduled for Monday, June 11th at 12:00 pm and a get together on Wed., June 20th at 5 PM. These are both going to be at St. Luke's UMC in Danville.

Rowenok Sam M. – We are making good progress towards strong chapter. We are planning on doing a significant chunk of remaining work at summer ordeal. I, Sam M., look forward to being your chapter chief.

Kook Cater E. – Kook has been doing great. We finished all of our unit elections. We just had our meeting Thursday the 10th. I made a survey to see how well the chapter is doing. We had a lot of good feedback. Our monthly newsletter, The Hoo, will be out shortly.

V-da-li Bradley I – Our chapter sent 8 arrowmen to Conclave. Unit elections are complete. Chapter participated in the first District Tap out ceremony in many years. We are investigating the reqs. To get ceremonialists trained and outfitted. Next meeting is 7pm on Thursday June 21st at Germantown Brick Church, Rocky Mount.

Moneton Chapter Justin D. – Moneton has had a good year. We are making good progress on troop elections. We also had a strong contingent at Conclave and would like to congratulate our Pre-ordeal ceremony on receiving honor merit status. We are also making great headway on the Ottari Chapel and

have had several workdays and several more are still to come. We would also like to give a warm welcome to the new ordeal members. Our next meeting will be in two weeks at the Summer Ordeal.

Catawba Will H. – As April has closed and May is starting, Catawba has already gotten off to a quick start. At conclave, our chapter competed heavily on many athletic and ceremony teams. Besides the extracurricular activities, Catawba members were active participants in the trainings. At our most recent Chapter meeting, our meeting for June was scheduled for May 30th at 7:00 PM at First Christian Church in Salem. A chapter Spring work day was organized for sat. May 12th at ward Haven camp in which 13 members were present. Brush was cleared, wood was cut, and other service was done. Our next meeting is Wednesday, May 30th at 7:00 PM at First Christian Church in Salem.

Saura Chapter Jason U. – Saura had 23 members attend this weekend. We would like to congratulate all the new brothers that took their ordeal, and our 3 new brotherhood members. We also worked on the cabins at Claytor. They are a work in progress and will hopefully be done by the end of the summer ordeal.

Wil Kip Jo Kasey R. – We have done all the unit elections except two which will be performed before summer camp. We will be performing two cub scout cross-overs this week. We are working on assisting Moneton with a Webelos to woods in August and we are also planning a chapter Barbeque. Our chapter ceremony team performed the Pre-ordeal ceremony and had two ceremonialists in the ordeal ceremony. We had five people take their ordeal and three members take their brotherhood.

Noac update – Tutelo is sending a contingent of 39. We will spend 5 days at Michigan State where we will be competing in all sorts of activities. Anyone who preordered, money is due at next function. Then, whatever is left over will be available at the trading post.

Where to Go Camping Guide – Was able to be published before Conclave. It is now available online.

New Business

Opening the floor to any comments about the new function schedule.

Alan R. – Many people said they thought that it was a great change and it worked really well.

Resolution on the “One Lodge, One Family” Summary:

Matt R. – During the past year we have lost several Tutelo Brothers. Granted, being a large organization, we will lose members over time. But in particular we have lost members too soon; very young men. With the outpour of love and support with the “One Lodge, One Family” campaign that came after, we are looking to offer a more fitting tribute to those who we lose as a lodge. But not specifically those who we lost recently, but those who we have lost before and those we will lose in the future.

The objective of this fund is to give an account in our lodge budget that is specifically for monies only to be used for reservation projects. Currently, we have the memorabilia fund. Which would be used for something like the Ottari Chapel. But that fund isn’t specifically for that; committees and others use

that fund also. So the idea of this is so that money can be deposited and donated to fallen brothers. And the purpose to create this fund is so that it is easy to know where the money donated in honor of somebody is and to make sure that money is used for a specific purpose which is to support the lodges projects on the scout reservation in honor of our brothers.

Questions from Lodge:

Are there any plans to make income to that fund other than lodge flaps?

The lodge flap is just a specific fund raiser from "One Lodge, One Family" where a series of flaps are made. We will start with Claytor Lake, then Camp Ottari, and Camp Powhatan. A flap will be made for each of those camps this year with the logo on it and then something about that camp. These designs will be approved at another meeting. Then, after this year, the idea is to introduce another flap every year for each program on the reservation so that it may become a collector's item and you can get all 12. We thought that this was more fitting than dedicating an individual patch to each person we lose.

As far as future monies, we would have other fundraisers for this fund but within the lodge budget every year, we calculate the budget so that we can deposit money into this fund every year to keep it growing.

Is there a place that the names of the fallen can physically go on these memorials?

If we use the fund's money for something like an Ottari handicraft shelter, we shouldn't put their names up there to state that this handicraft shelter is in memory of "___." We would make it in honor of all of our fallen brothers. But, if we would like to do something more specific where we can list Tutelo members that we have lost somewhere on the reservation, I think that is definitely appropriate. That motion can be made at a meeting and we can use funds from this to buy plaques and do that. But we will have to be more specific in our motion about where we can do that.

Motion to approve the "One Lodge, One Family" fund.

Lodge seconded.

Discussion happened.

All in favor, motion passed.

T-bone – My next project in Tutelo will be project E-Lodge. This is my effort to redesign and recreate the lodge website. Currently it is out of standards so we are going to recreate it entirely. This will make it look much more professional and attractive. So far, the Project E-Lodge team consists of three men: Tyler W., Mitchell A., and Kiernan B. Right now there is a survey out that asks for feedback and things and I've catalogued that. The point of Project E-Lodge is to make the lodge much more functional. Questions about this should be addressed to Mitchell because it is under publications realm.

More New Business

James C. – The Elangomat committee wants to create a shirt for the Elangomat committee. It's a very simple t-shirt and we want to keep it that way to be used for future years. The money used for this will come out of our budget that we sent in at the beginning of the year. This is just a way that people on the committee can be recognized and also so they can be proud to wear.

James C. makes a motion to create an Elangomat t-shirt from the design draft that has been made.

Lodge seconded.

Discussion

Will they be sold so that any lodge member can buy one?

They will be given as an award as in after two functions as an Elangomat you can be awarded this t-shirt.

Would this shirt apply to those who have been an Elangomat twice or more in the past?

No, this will be from here on.

All in favor. Motion passed.

More New Business

V-da-li would like to make a fundraiser out of bracelets that Bradley I. makes.

Bradley I. motions to make these bracelets a fundraiser.

Lodge second.

Discussion

How much would they be a piece?

5 or 6 dollars each.

Reminders

Summer ordeal is two weeks away!

We are going to have over 11,000 people using the camp this summer so the work that we are doing will be final.

Vigil nominations will be due by lunch time on Saturday at the summer ordeal. You have until next weekend also to electronically send your nomination form.

Spaghetti dinner on Friday night of the summer ordeal for the NOAC fund. For \$7 you will get spaghetti, garlic bread, and a salad made by our kitchen crew. This will continue until we run out of spaghetti.

Carolina Ceremonies Fellowship this fall . if you are interested in ceremonies, this is a great program that has started recently. We need to register as early as possible. Talk to Adam Cline if interested.

PAY YOUR DUES.

Next meeting will be Sunday morning of the Summer Ordeal.

MINUTES

Chris Dempsey – This has been a great function with a lot of service going on. As you guys know, we are planning on camping over 10,000 this summer so we definitely appreciate all of your support and good service. Mentioning also summer camp, we still need fees turned in. We still have positions open if you are interested. Talk to me about it if you are interested. Also, tell us your ideas on anything around camp. We would love to hear anything and everything.

Kevin Reedy – “Look what you can do.” I know I have harped on every minute about getting prepared and ready for the upcoming functions, but just take a minute and look, in just the last three weeks, what you have accomplished. We set goals to do certain things: we set a goal to get the gold arrow at Conclave, we set a goal to do well in ceremonies at Conclave, we changed the whole function schedule and everything has worked out just like we wanted it to. I want us to keep it up.

Matt R. - I would like to hand over my minute to one of our special guests, Preston M.

Preston M. – There are many opportunities available in the Order of the Arrow. You all have begun an incredible journey by completing your ordeal this weekend. But your journey doesn't end here this weekend when you get in your car and drive home. This is only the tip of the iceberg. The OA has a lot of great opportunities for service, leadership, and for high adventure if you are willing to take advantage of them. When you are looking at these men up here, you are looking at a group of young men who are running an organization with over 1000 members and that takes leadership and a good core of manpower to help make these functions work. You should have seen a number of members step up to serve as elangomats, ceremonialists, and others. But, each one of those people began just where you are. They began as just an ordeal member of the lodge. So, we encourage you as you move forward in your OA experience, as you start attending chapter meetings and more lodge functions, look for more ways to serve. I can tell you that if you choose to take advantage of the many opportunities available, not only will you come out a better person, but you will come out with a lot of new skills and tools that you can use outside of scouting.

The Order of the Arrow is truly a thing of the spirit and as E. Urner Goodman said "The Order of the Arrow is a thing of the spirit rather than of mechanics. We are a society based off of brotherhood in a day where there is so much hatred at home and abroad. We are a society based off of cheerfulness in a day when pessimists have the floor and cynics are popular. We are a society based off of service in a day where millions are more interested in getting rather than giving back." So, as you move forward there are plenty of opportunities in which you can serve but always remember that the sash that you're wearing are mere representations of what the OA truly is.

Lodge Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Call to Order, Obligation

Invocation by Brandon W.

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Secretary's Report)

Approved

Officer Reports

Drum and Dance Jeremy J. – Hello, Tutelo, Sorry for my absence. Our committee would like to get a group together to have a crafts weekend this summer! We want to teach beadwork and other Native American crafts. There is a pow wow in North Carolina in two weeks. If anyone is interested, please talk to Arvid.

Elangomat Committee James C. – I would like to first say that I am sorry for not being able to attend. I would like to first congratulate all of the new ordeal and brotherhood members and look forward to seeing you in the future, hopefully as an elangomat. I would also like to thank the elangomats who cheerfully served our lodge. If anyone would like to be an elangomat then please contact your chapter chief and have them email me or you can reach me at jcranda@gmail.com.

Service Committee Stephen H. - Service did very well again this ordeal. We were spread through all 3 camps and completed many necessary projects. We had a total of 128 people with 775 hours of service completed. So for this year, we have completed 2275 hours. For now, we are going to lay dormant and plan our next plan of attack for fall ordeal.

Membership Brent R. - Goal 1,047 Have 593 Need 454

Publications Mitchell A. – Torchbearers have been printed. They will be in mailboxes in the coming weeks. Love, Mitchell Alexander

Ceremonies Adam C. – Had a great function, and would like to thank all ceremonialists who performed ceremonies this function. We would particularly like to thank the Wil kip jo and combination Rawenok chapter teams. Also, we would like to thank saura chapter for cleaning and preparing the ceremonial sites. We look forward for fall function and the upcoming function.

Inductions Committee Jon R. – Had a successful ordeal. We elected 22 new ordeal members this weekend. They completed their ordeals successfully. We witnessed the continuum of 11 brothers in their service to the lodge. We look forward to another successful function.

Dining Services Jeff K – We had a great weekend here at Powhatan. The servers happily volunteered their time. I am looking forward to the next function for even more volunteers.

Trading Post John V. – We had a good weekend of sales. We are looking at changing our hours to match the amount of customers at certain times, allowing our staff to go and do service outside the T.P

Chapter Reports

Tuscarora Lane S. - I would like to start off by welcoming our new brothers, Congratulations to all of your guys. We are still having our regalia night and we are going bowling as a chapter just to keep in touch during our summer break.

Rawenok Sam M. – Rawenok Chapter had a fun-filled weekend of cheerful service. Our service was to clear the BSI overnighter site at Ottari. Rawenok combined with Wil-kip-Jo performed a great ceremony last night. Next meeting is 2nd Thursday in August at 7pm at Raleigh Court United Methodist.

Kook Cater E. – Kook had a great time at the summer ordeal. Our t-shirts will be in by our kook-out. We have 4 (unreadable) after this weekend. Our next meeting is the 2nd Thursday at 7:15. We will not have next month and our kook-out will be the following month.

V-da-li Bradley I – At the Spring Ordeal last month, our chapter had 5 candidates complete their Ordeal. We also had 4 additional arrowmen attend this function. Our chapter is still developing a Chapter Website. For now, we have a Facebook group for the chapter. We are doing well with our membership activation- exceeding 60% of members with dues paid. Next meeting is 7pm, Thursday, June 21st at Germantown Brick Church, Rocky Mount

Catawba Will H. – Catawba Chapter is winding up the spring activities and is readying itself for summer fun. With two special guests in attendance, Lodge Chief Matt R. and Ceremonies Chair Adam C., our August chapter meeting was planned and preliminary work on setting up communications for our annual Webelos to Woods function was undertaken. We plan to resume after a successful summer on August 15th at 6:30 at the Penguin Club in Salem.

Wil Kip Jo Kasey R. –We have not held another meeting since our last report was given at the Spring Ordeal. We had sixteen members in attendance at the Spring Ordeal. Our next meeting is on August 12th, at All Nations Church of God in Wytheville.

NOAC- Gary Harvey- Can't hear

Matt R.- Preorders will be here at the beginning of the summer. That money was due this weekend. The patches, though, having been approved, have been ordered. Delegates will get the delegate, trader and csp included. After that, you may order up to four sets of delegate flaps at \$5 a piece.

Memorial Plaques- Matt R.- At the last meeting, a motion was made to look into creating an area where we could memorialize those brothers that we lose as a lodge, beyond just having our One Lodge, One Family Campaign. We are going to be looking into creating an area to memorialize them with a name plaque. We haven't been able to contact the right people yet, however, by the fall ordeal, we should have some more information.

New Business

Summer Ordeal Review Matt R.- First function we've had with our new function schedule and I think it went very well. I want to thank all of those that helped make it work.

One Lodge, One Family Patches- Matt R.- Last function, we approved a one lodge, one family fund that would be used to support projects that the lodge sponsors on the reservation in memory of those brothers that we have lost. Part of that resolution was a patch fundraiser that would recognize the 12 programs on the BRSR. This year, starting with Camp Powhatan, Camp Ottari, CLAB. Then every year after this year, we'll introduce a flap for another program.

Two Designs VOTE

Discussion

Alan R. – One idea would be to have twelve triangle shaped patches to create a large backpatch after you have collected them all. It would take a long while to get the entire backpatch.

Matt R. – The reason we are making three at first is so that we do not have to make twelve and then sell twelve.

Motion to approve the One Lodge, One Family Patch set of three base camps this year.

Motion to table this motion

Second

VOTE- All in favor, motion passed

OA Everyday Program

Adam C. – This year at summer camp we are going to do something every day related to the OA. We have Frisbee, volleyball, cracker barrel, and tapout worked in the schedule. The fifth will be a ceremonial interest training program. Those people attending camp as a camper, we would appreciate you helping promote these activities at camp to your troop.

Dues Invoice Approval

According to the Bylaws, after the summer ordeal, if you have not paid your dues, you become a delinquent member of the lodge. For EC members, it is reason to remove you from the EC.

We would like to approve a motion to mail an invoice to members of the lodge who have not yet paid their dues for the year. The mailing would include a letter explaining the purpose of what paying your dues is for, what happens if you do not pay your dues, and an invoice for \$10.

Motion moved

Motion seconded

No discussion

Vote- Motion passed

JTE Program

Matt R.- This year is the first year for JTE (Journey to Excellence). With this program, there are three levels: Bronze, Silver, and Gold. Quality lodge was the old program where either you got it or you didn't. This one you may get different degrees. Tutelo has already achieved Gold Level in 5 of the 17 Requirements. Tutelo Lodge is looking to get Gold Level in JTE within the first year of the Program.

Function Host Camp Switch

Mitchell A. – Next year, or in later years it would work better if the locations of the summer ordeal and the spring ordeal were switched. Therefore, the summer ordeal would be held at Ottari.

Motion made

Seconded

Discussion:

Mitchell – It would probably work better because this is a smaller function and Ottari is a smaller Camp. At the Spring ordeal, we were sending so many people away to Powhatan from Ottari.

Brandon W. – We were sending a lot of people out, but we do that at every function.

Adult – We would run into Wood Badge, then.

T-Bone – Ottari needs less maintenance than Powhatan does. We balance the work out between the camps well the way the schedule is now.

Vote- motion killed

Approval of Money Use

Mitchell A. – I would like to designate \$150 of our budget to go towards ink jetting the individual names onto the Torchbearer to reduce the hassle of putting the labels on each one.

Motion to do the above

Seconded

Discussion:

Printing the labels is no big deal. It's just that the office has enough to do already. This was something offered by the printer to do. It's cost efficient to us to do this new method.

Vote- Motion passed

Reminders

The Next meeting will be in a few months from now. It will be our largest function of the year. The Fall ordeal is September 7-9th. Come back, join us for some cheerful service.

NOAC- July 30th through August 4th.

Carolina Ceremony Fellowship – Great opportunity to learn about ceremonies

Dues! – Dues are due! Will be mailing invoices this month to those who have not paid.

Minutes

Chris Dempsey – Not able to be here today.

Keven R. – Tutelo has been observed by many organizations. At Conclave and other functions. They ask us, "How do you keep doing this?" We've been described as being awesome. Some observers said that this is truly a youth-run organization from the ways that the founders intended it to be. I think the biggest reason to why we are so awesome is because of y'all's passion to this lodge. Keep being the Best.

Matt R.- At the beginning of the year, my big thing was, "Don't be a cookie cutter." A cookie cutter being an average Joe just doing what they're asked to do and nothing else. We are already half way through the year and already this lodge has accomplished so many things. At the beginning of this year, we didn't have a ceremony team to really speak of. But by Conclave, half the ceremony teams the competed were from Tutelo. We set goals for new programs. Our first ever EC retreat was a place to set our goals for the year. We introduced a new function schedule that reenergized the lodge. We've welcomed special guests. This year has really been a year of new ideas and new concepts and change that we can believe in. But that would not be possible without the work of our EC members. I want to thank the EC members for their hard work.

The Order of the Arrow will be supporting the staff this year. These people have committed their summer to serve the BRSR and the 10,000 scouts that will be visiting us. That is another way that Tutelo lodge has positioned itself to affect the scouting program like no other lodge in the nation.

Make sure that, through the break, we do not lose momentum.

Lodge Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Call to Order, Obligation

Invocation

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Secretary's Report)

Approved

Officer Reports

Drum and Dance Jeremy J. – We had a great time at NOAC this year! We got several new dancers inspired out there and we are beginning to work with them on their regalia and dance. We even had one of our brothers join in the founder's day pow wow dancing for his first time. We have been working on the committee regalia and we are looking forward to more time to put in at the next function. We are looking for any regalia that anyone would like to donate or borrow to the committee. We will ensure proper care and use. A big thanks to everyone who has helped out this function and we hope to have an even larger turnout at the fall fellowship.

Membership Brent R. – Have: 895 including 156 gold cards Need: 152 to meet goal Brotherhood
Conversions: 41.10% overall

We have most BSA IDs that are needed, but we still ask chapter chiefs to help fill in any missing information. A thank you goes out to the Inductions committee for helping with check-in, namely Dakota, Eric A., and Bill S. . I would also like to thank Drew N. for helping me key in ordeal information and rip out membership cards. The committee has certainly had a very busy weekend and we hope that everyone will join us at the Fall Fellowship.

Activities Kiernan B. – The Activities committee had another successful weekend with several new practices. We hope you enjoyed attacking your lodge chief with Cheetos. In the coming month, we will be working hard to prepare for our biggest even of the year, the Fall Fellowship. Each chapter must submit two judges or risk being penalized. We hope to see each and every one of you out there!

Trading Post John V. – We sold a lot of merchandise this weekend. We are looking forward to the next function so we can raise more money for the lodge.

Service Stephen H. – This weekend, you guys completed every task that our highly-trained Service Finding team gave you. You all have done about 2450 hours of service! No service for the Fall Fellowship.

Vigil Selections Steven B. – Had an awesome weekend. First of all, let's all have a round of applause for those brothers who have just been tapped for the Vigil Honor. Secondly, we'd like to thank all those vigils who helped provide service this weekend whether it is around camp, helping serve, or helping me in my extreme problem with procrastination. We are looking forward to our biggest Function, the Fall Fellowship. If anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Inductions Jon R.— With 116 new ordeal candidates and 26 new brotherhood members, the Inductions committee would like to thank everyone that helped make our largest functions of the year a major success. It looked a little grim at the beginning of the weekend but by the end, we were celebrating a huge success. We can't wait to see you all come for the Fall Fellowship.

Publications Mitchell A. – Work on the upcoming TB is almost complete. If you haven't yet, like the Tutelo Lodge page on Facebook. As always, if you ever have any comments, suggestions, or concerns, I can be contacted at malexander161@gmail.com.

Ceremonies Adam C. – Thank you to all that helped this weekend. It was much appreciated. All of the ceremonialists did a great job. We look forward to the fall fellowship. We will be offering ceremony training sessions and offering ceremony evaluations.

Chapter Reports

Rowenok – Although we didn't have an extraordinary amount of ordeal candidates as always, Rowenok was represented strongly. This weekend we would like to congratulate all the new Vigil Members on recently being tapped and hope that somebody back home has some ice packs for you. Our next meeting will be the second Thursday of the month at Raleigh Court united Methodist Church at 7 PM.

Wil-Kip-Jo – We held our last chapter meeting on August 13th, with 13 members in attendance. We had an excellent time at NOAC with six members attending. We also held a Webelos to Woods, with Moneton, on the 25th of August. We had excellent attendance, and were able to provide plenty of Arrowmen to guide the Webelos to their stations. We were also able to have our ceremony team perform for the Webelos. Our chapter has built five benches for the Ottari Chapel and has acquired the material for ten more. Our next meeting is on September 10th, at All Nations Church of God in Wytheville.

Saura – Saura had 21 members attend. Eight of them were youth and 13 were adults. We worked on the shelter in Rockridge, handicap ramps in tipi, bunks in Tipi, and clean up in Saura ring for the ceremonies. Our next meeting will be next month. Also, we hope to have a great turn out at the Fall Fellowship.

Moneton – We are making great progress on the Ottari Chapel. However, there is still work left to be done. We worked with Wil kip jo to host the New River District and Mountain Empire District Webelos to Woods even on August 25, 2012 at Camp Powhatan. It was a great event that proves that chapters can work together. We had a good turnout of scouts taking their ordeal this weekend and we look forward to having them in our Chapter. We are in the process of getting out teams together to compete at Fall Fellowship. Our chapter meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30 Pm at Central United Methodist Church in Radford.

V-Da-li – At the fall ordeal, V-da-li chapter had 8 new Ordeal members and 18 total attendees. This year, our paid membership is up 30% over last year with many reactivated brothers and 13 new Ordeal members. We are expecting a record number of arrowmen at the upcoming function. Our chapter is

building regalia display boxes for Camp Ottari as a service project. Our next meeting is scheduled for 7pm, Thursday, September 20th at Germantown Brick Church, Rocky Mount.

Catawba – As we return to our operation, Catawba is at the high point of the year. After reconvening on August 15th, we have held our first official business meeting since the summer ended, dealing primarily with our upcoming Webelos to Woods function being held two months early on next weekend September 15 and 16th. We are also getting ready for the upcoming Fall Fellowship where we will seek to defend the Golden Spigot. Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, October 7th, with location and time to be determined due to a special activity in the works.

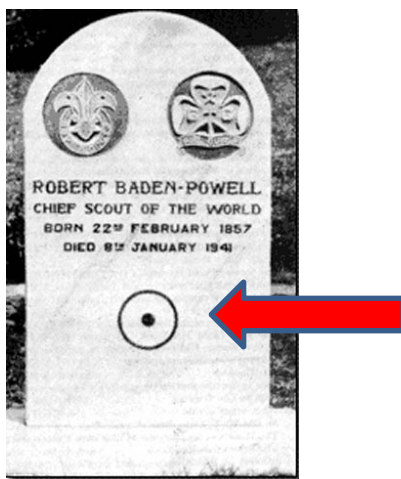
Old Business

NOAC Gary H. - We all had a great time. And we are all looking forward to NOAC 2015. That year is the 100th anniversary of the OA. That NOAC is going to be a blast. It will once again be held at Michigan State instead of going back to Indiana. We will begin next year with fundraisers for that trip. My goal for Tutelo Lodge is 61 contingent members to NOAC 2015.

Will – Tutelo lodge took a 40 member contingent to NOAC. Despite uncomfortable weather and a long walk to get to training, we had a great time. I heard lots of positive feedback on trainings. I personally look forward to sharing what I learned to the rest of the lodge and I'm sure that every other contingent member is too. We had a ceremony team that was evaluated at NOAC and are using that feedback to help improve ceremonies in Tutelo Lodge. We also had Jeremy Jones compete in the National Dance Competition where he placed 5th in the nation. I would like to extend my thanks to those youth and adults who helped NOAC go smoothly.

Memorial – The Key Three are going through the channels to get a monument approved. So, instead of approving a monument to put up within the lodge, we are going to approve a submission of a plaque and a monument to submit to the properties committee.

The Submission to be approved looks something like this symbol.



The symbol is a trail symbol that means the one has "Gone Home."

We decided that it was not in our judgment to decide whose name goes on the plaque. The submission, instead, generalizes all of the Tutelo brothers that we lose. The Words that we chose to go on the plaque are as follows:

“Baden Powell taught scout trailblazers to make a simple trail sign, a circle with a dot in the middle, to indicate that they have gone home. Tutelo brothers across generations have blazed many trails for us to follow. And now they too have gone home. Let us never forget their names, nor their legacies and let us cherish their memories until the end of our days. May the great master of all scouts be with us until we meet again.”

The location of the plaque was thought to be off of a trail somewhere, in a secluded location maybe close to Max Creek. We didn't want to crowd the area with monuments. We thought one bench so that one can sit down and reflect would be good.

So, in order to do this, Tutelo lodge may approve this submission, but we then must send it to the Properties committee for final approval.

In the vote we are about to take, we may make adjustments. But in our final submission, we need to understand that it is not guaranteed that it will happen. We have to wait for approval from the Properties Committee.

Motion to approve the proposal described.

Seconded.

No discussion

Vote- motion passed

New Business

Review of the Fall Ordeal – Matt R. – This is the 3rd function under the new function schedule. It used to be that ceremonies were before dinner and we moved them to after dinner. This function has been the greatest test of the function schedule. Are there any comments on how it worked?

Stephen H. – It really optimized all of the service hours. We got more hours than we planned!

Executive Committee Award of Merit/Arrowman of the year – Matt R. – These are two new award ideas for the Winter Banquet. However, we are in review of the contingencies of those awards so we are going to table that proposal until the fall fellowship.

Unit of Excellence Award Matt R. – An award that the National vice chiefs created that awards troops that focus on participation in the OA. Example Requirements are attending an lodge functions as a troop (a certain percentage of your troops OA members), also brotherhood conversion, paying dues, etc. If your unit receives this award, you will receive a ribbon at the Winter Banquet starting in 2013.

Along with this, a scoutmaster of a troop that receives this award enough times during his tenure as SM may receive an award as well.

Further, there is a troop OA representative advisor position. This is a new adult leader position approved by the BSA and there is now a leadership patch for that position. Their role is to be a resource to the youth and help the youth participate in the OA's program.

Unit elections update Matt R. – It used to that for every election that a unit had, you could only nominate one adult from the troop to the OA every year. In order to encourage participation from the troops, we have now changed the unit elections policies for adult nominations. Instead of nominating one adult for every 20 youth that you elect, you are now able to nominate up to a third of the youth elected in adults. In addition, if you are a scoutmaster and have been in service for at least one year and have completed the camping reqs., you are automatically eligible to be nominated to the OA.

40th Anniversary Patch Designs – Next year is the 40th anniversary of Tutelo Lodge which was chartered in 1973 after a merger of Powhatan Lodge and Koo Koo Ka Hoo Lodge.

Submitted Patch Design Discussion

Design 1 by Billy Chandler: No discussion

Design 2 by Mike H: Traditional Tutelo Patch Design

Design 3 by Matthew R. : The owl and the Powhatan Indian totems coming together to form Tutelo. It also includes the 40 with the 0 being the Tutelo Totem.

Design 4 by John I: Has four designs where you can choose one of four

Design 5 by James D: The top one is designed after old flaps. The bottom one is based off the old service flap.

Voting by Rounds

Elimination of three designs with lowest # of votes 1st

Designs Moving On:

Design 1 by Billy Jo, Design by Mike H., Design by Matt R., and Design #2 by James Davis.

Winning Design:

Design by Matthew R.

Motion to make winning design the 40th anniversary patch design

Seconded

Voted in favor, motion passed.

40th Anniversary Branding

Matt R – We would like to submit the 40th Ann. Logo to be placed on all merchandise that the lodge decides to create whether it be hats, shirts, etc. It will also include our conclave shirt. This submission that we as the leadership of the lodge would like to make is for your approval. Does anyone so move?

Motion made—seconded

Discussion:

Member- I think the font should be pointier.

Member- Can we make a branding iron?

Answer- Yes, as a lodge, we can approve the manufacturing of a branding iron.

Member- why is it red?

Answer- The ruby is the gem that is associated with the 40th wedding anniversary so we incorporated that into the design.

Vote in favor—motion passed

Reminders!

The next function will be the Fall Fellowship. It will be held October 12-14th right here, at Camp Powhatan. There is no service involved in the function, only lots of fun! This year, we are introducing a new concept for the Indian Village where we will have Jeremy and the Drum and Dance team down there to teach people about the various styles of dancing. We will also have the ceremonies committee offering trainings on the preordeal Ceremony and what it's significance is. We will have training just for vigil honor members as well. There will also be a lot of fun trainings offered. One unique thing we are doing is offering American Red Cross CPR, AED, first aid basic training for a cost of 10 dollars.

Winter Banquet – December 8th. The lodge meeting will be that Saturday at 2:30 PM. The winter banquet will start at 6Pm at the Holiday Inn at the Roanoke Airport.

Dues! We have very good reports from the membership committee. This time last year, we had much more left to do. I feel like the invoicing definitely helped. Our goal is to get all of the dues in by the November meeting.

Special event: Carter had to sing “I’m a little Teapot” to get an item back.

Minutes

Chris Dempsey- Thank you for awesome service this weekend. We have the largest council summer camp in the nation that services 10,000 scouts per summer. This weekend was a huge chunk off of the huge amount of service this camp requires.

You ordeal members are now members and not candidates. We take your friendship and your brotherhood very seriously. The fellowship is a very fun event tailored for you guys. So please join us.

Ceremonies teams: You guys are awesome! Thank you for all you did.

Kevin R – This year, I've been given several opportunities to do things I've never done. And every one of them has been a wonderful experience. Every day you are presented with new opportunities for different experiences. If you don't take advantage of those opportunities, you can never get them back. So, every time you receive a new opportunity to do something, take it. Seek out the opportunities and make the best of them.

Matthew R. – At the beginning of this year, there was one thing that I pushed a lot. That was to never be a cookie cutter arrowman. And now that we have completed all of our induction weekends, I can definitely say that the EC this year was not a cookie cutter EC. In particular, the committees that are vital to the running of our functions did an incredible job this year at all three events. So I would like to thank the ceremonies committee chairman, Adam C., the inductions committee chairman, Jon R, and the service committee chairman, Stephen H, for working together really well, getting the job done for us, and making these events so successful. I firmly believe that the OA is the strongest program in scouting. So welcome to the family.

Fall Fellowship

Date: October 14, 2012

Location: Camp Powhatan

Head of Meeting: Matthew R.

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order, Obligation

Invocation by Brandon W.

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Secretary's Report)

Approved

Treasurer Report

- Chapter Accounts
 - V-Da-Li - \$471.50
 - Catawba - \$3655.89
 - Kook - \$136.24
 - Tuscarora - \$1868.57
 - Moneton - \$1700.14
 - Wil-Kip-Jo - \$143.72
 - Saura - \$130.78
- Lodge – \$57,475.08

Officer Reports

Ceremonies Committee – Adam C. – It was a great function! We held three trainings that went well. The Ceremony evaluations were awesome and teams are looking forward to Conclave and beyond.

Dance and Drum – Jeremy J. – We are in the process of making our committee's sets of regalia so we can have you guys coming out and dancing with us. Feel free to join us and we can get you started working on regalia. Last weekend in January- Carolina Indian Seminar – Statesville. November 3rd- Craft/regalia weekend @ Chris Bryant's House.

Membership – Brent R. –

- 1047 needed for quality Lodge
 - 940 paid (including 156 gold cards)
 - 107 needed to pay

- 89.78%
- Brotherhood Conversion
 - 38.63%

Membership had a very relaxed weekend of fun and fellowship with our brothers. We are pleased to announce that we have more dues than normal for this time of year, so keep up the good work, Tutelo.

Trading Post – John V. – Trading post had a great weekend. We sold a lot of merchandise and had a lot of interest with the wheel of fortune. We will be at the next function to sell more.

Service Committee – Stephen H. – The day of Service will be planned in November. Dates and more info will be posted on Facebook.

Publications – Mitchell A. – “Publications was Gucci since the last function.”

Elangomat – James C. – We had a really good function. We are looking to end the year strong. We are glad to have all of those who served as an Enlangomat.

Dining Services – Jeff K. – We have some awesome volunteers that help serve at the functions! Thank you all. Also, Congratulations to James Rudder for being the most enthusiastic helper this weekend.

Activities – Kiernan B. – This was our biggest function. I hope that everyone had a smile on their face this weekend. Our minute to win it competitions will earn patches. If you were a judge this weekend, thank you. We also held our most successful patch auction for this year. Now for The Golden Spigot: it goes to Rowenok Chapter.

Chapter Reports

Catawba – Will H. – We held our annual Webelos to Woods function two months early on September 14-16th. Catawba is looking forward to electing our chapter officers next meeting and the winter Banquet.

Rawenok – Sam M. – We have had our first two meetings already and attendance is up from the spring. Our Next chapter meeting will be on November 8th at Raleigh Court United Methodist Church. We have elected our officers for 2013. Unfortunately, due to a rough start, we were un able to complete the strong chapter requirements, but we are building momentum for next year. As a chapter, we had a great time and were very successful this past weekend, winning the Golden Spigot for the first time in a while. Congrats to our new Vigils: Tim Ramsay, Adam Nicholas, Adam Cline, and Frankie Whaley.

Kook – Carter E. - We are having preorders to boxers and t-shirts now. We also had our elections last month. Our next meeting will be November 8th at 7:15 at Heritage United Methodist Church in Lynchburg.

Tuscarora – Lane S. - Has been having our meetings on the second Wednesday of the month. We have started planning our Winter Camporee that will be in February. We will be planning the events and start having ideas for the patch at our next meeting. We have also ordered and received our clack chapter

shirts. They are available to the lodge for \$12. Congrats to Tim Spayde for completing his Vigil. Our next chapter meeting will be held at St. Lukes UMC on Wednesday, November 14th at 7PM.

Wil-Kip-Jo – Kasey – We held successful chapter elections. We built 10 more benches for the Ottari Chapel making a total of 15 benches. Congrats to all vigil Honor members.

Saura – Jason U. – Had 14 members attend this function. Had a good time putting on the OA shelter roof. Next meeting we have chapter elections.

V-Da-Li – Bradley I. – Our Chapter is building regalia boxes for Camp Ottari as a service project. We plan to have them completed soon. This year, our total paid membership is up roughly 30%. Our next meeting is scheduled for 7pm on Thursday, October 18th at Germantown Brick Church, Rocky Mount.

Moneton – Cody S. – We would like to congratulate our new Vigil Members, James Crandall and Chris Dempsey. Our Ottari Chapel project is going well. We are making great progress. We recently ran 2 stations at the New River District spook-or-ree last weekend. Our next chapter meeting is Tuesday November 13, 2012 at 7:30 pm at Central UMC in Radford.

Old Business

Council of Chiefs – Meeting of all Lodge Chiefs in SR-7a.

Matt R.- We discussed Conclave 2013. It will be held at Pipsico. Conclave registration opened Friday. You may now register through sr7a.org. Price is \$40 now, after late fee it is \$55. At the door, it will be \$80.

Adam C. – Tutelo will be in charge of Ceremonies at Conclave 2013. We will try very hard to create a program that will allow as many teams as possible to compete and also to hold trainings in the morning. Ceremonies teams should check their emails.

Matt R. – Gary H. is the Conclave vice chief advisor for us. Now, Conclave will be hosting new programs to hopefully revamp it and make it more exciting for you guys. They are doing a chapter leadership summit- great opportunity to talk to other chapter chiefs and advisors and to learn about leadership. They will have service project opportunities there also.

New Business

If anyone has ideas that can help the functions work better, talk to Kevin R. or Chris D.

Lodge Executive Committee Retreat –

Matt R.- The Retreat is meant to be a time where the new EC can get together and discuss topics and ideas to make the coming year a better one. Also to set goals and hone leadership skills

Motion made to approve a \$1500 budget to hold EC Retreat for 2013 at Claytor Lake AB. Second made.

Discussion:

Matt R.- The money will go towards facility fees and the food budget. Kroger will donate food. This budget is very generous to give us leeway. We will end up using less than \$1500.

Call to question.

Motion Passed.

Motion for the EC to vote to approve the dates of the EC retreat. Seconded

Discussion:

Matt R. – The EC will vote for what date works best for them and the date will be chosen that way.

Motion Passed.

Recognition

Matt R. - Thank you to both Chiefs of Camp for giving your time at Camp. They were not paid extra for this position. They ran the OA at camp and we thank them. They will receive an OA Summer 2012 Coozie.

Catawba 40th Anniversary Shirts

Motion made for Catawba Chapter to make Tutelo Shirts with the 40th Anniversary Logo on the front and the totem on the back. Seconded.

Discussion:

John – Money made from the 40th Anniversary Logo should go to benefit the lodge specifically and not any one chapter.

Motion Denied.

Motion for the lodge to make a 40th Anniversary shirt and sell It in the lodge trading post. Second made.

Amendment that the lodge sells all 40th anniversary memorabilia. Second Made.

Discussion:

All 40th anniversary merchandise will have the 40th anniversary logo, as approved at the last meeting, on it.

Is the chapter allowed to make a chapter based shirt with the logo on it?

Yes, if it is a chapter based shirt, it may have the logo on it.

If the shirt has the lodge totem on it, it must be approved.

Amendment passed.

Motion that the lodge will be the official salesperson of 40th anniversary merchandise carried.

Kook Medallions

Motion that Kook chapter is allowed to make laser-engraved medallions with the lodge totem on them as a fundraiser. Seconded.

No Discussion.

Motion Carried.

Electronic Torchbearer Open Discussion (No intent to seek motions)

Every year, Tutelo Budgets over \$4000 to the mailing of the Torchbearer. The Council has already moved to digital editions. Discussion for Tutelo to move to a digital Version of the Torchbearer.

Brent – Even though it should have been mailed out, I have never received one in the mail.

Pat – If you aren't getting a Torchbearer in the mail, that means that your address is messed up in our records somehow. Please help us fix that.

How much is currently spent on Mailing?

Answer: We currently use a contact that the Council knows. We get a discounted rate for mailing it to many people. Although, it is still a large expense. We do not have the exact number at hand, however.

Member – I think that we should do the electronic copy, but if a person wants the Hard copy, they must seek it out and ask for it.

Brandon – Can we look to see if it will be cheaper to deliver it to those who want the hard copy?

Of Course, however, that will be looked into during an official proposal.

Jeff – I think there should be a transition period for something like this.

Mitchell will work with the Key Three to make an official proposal later in the year.

Discussion Closed

Reminders

The next meeting is at the Council Service Center on November 11th (second Sunday in November) at 2:30 PM.

Winter Banquet: Saturday December 8th starting at 6:00 pm. Held at the Holiday Inn at the Airport.
Lodge meeting at 2:30 PM that same day.

107 more dues to pay. Chapter Chiefs keep working!

Tutelo Lodge is sponsoring the Blue Ridge Mtn. Council Christmas tree at Hotel Roanoke. We need help making ornaments for the tree. We are looking for variety and Native American culture pieces. Please talk to Orvil. Also, please stop by hotel Roanoke and vote for our tree so ours can win.

Minutes

Chris D. – Congratulations to all Vigil members. For those of you who ran for office this weekend and didn't make it, please keep trying. You are ahead of anyone else who didn't run. We all have equal chances so keep trying. I want to say thanks to the Lodge for the honor of Vigil.

Kevin R. – It's important to know that at the end of the year, we have a reset. New people are in the EC and it's like starting all over. So keep new ideas and goals coming. We are all looking forward to it. So be ready.

Matt R. – We've finally made it to the last weekend function of the year. So, all the EC can take a sigh of relief. This is now a time to reflect on 2012. This has been one of the best experiences of my life. But it's time to continuing the momentum of 2012 into 2013. Every year, we have a new group of officers. My goal as lodge chief this year is to make the transition into 2013 as smooth as possible so that we can continue what we started this year and to also help Brandon and his team start off next year with much momentum. We have a lot of things to look forward to with our 40th anniversary. I challenge you guys to invite a friend and get people involved. Because the OA is undoubtedly the best program the BSA has to offer.

November Lodge Meeting

Date: November 11, 2012

Location: Council Service Center

Head of Meeting: Matthew R.

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

Obligation

Invocation by Brandon W.

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Secretary's Report)

Approved

Treasurer Report

- Vi-Da-li
 - o 471.50
- Catawba
 - o 3417.02
- Kook
 - o 136.24
- Tuscaroro
 - o 1275.77
- Moneton
 - o 1700.14
- Wil-kip-Jo
 - o 143.72
- Saura
 - o 130.78
- **Lodge**
 - o **65921.66**

Committee Reports

- Membership
 - o 1047 Membership goal
 - o 981 Paid

- 86 Dues needed
- We are at 91.78%
- Service
 - Yesterday was our second day of service. It went well as we cleared trails and marked down trees for the Smith Mountain Lake staff to cut up. There was a total of 17.25 hours worked and the staff was very grateful.
- Drum and Dance
 - The Statesville Powwow is in January and we are planning on taking a group down. Just let us know if you are interested. It is a great learning experience.
- Ceremonies
 - We have been hard at work completing the committee close out report to help the next chairman. We also intend on helping with the Christmas tree by providing information to passersby.

Chapter Reports

- Wil-kip-jo
 - Our Ceremonies team performed at our district Camporee.
 - Dakota L is Chapter Chief, Michael R is Vice Chief, and Steven R is our Secretary
 - Next meeting: November 12th, All Nations Church of God in Wytheville
- Saura
 - New officers are David S as Chief, Drew N as Vice Chief, and Christian K as Secretary
- Tuscaroro
 - We have started planning for our Winter Camporee in February
 - Started idea on events and patch design
 - Working to find members that are not affiliated with a unit in our district and are working to start a Venture Crew for them
 - Next Meeting: November 14th, St. Liesk UMC at 7:00 PM
- Moneton
 - We continue work on the Ottari Chapel
 - Two Members got their Vigil at the Fall Fellowship (James C. and Chris D.)
 - Next meeting: November 13th, Central UMC in Radford 7:30 PM
- Kook
 - We had two Kook members represent at the day of service
 - Next Meeting: December 13th, Heritage UMC in Lynchburg at 7:00 PM
- Catawba
 - Chapter Officers: Chief: Eric R Vice Chief: Hunter Secretary: Ben J Treasurer: Sean D.
 - Chapter is holding Holiday Gathering on December 2nd at 2:30 pm at Enon Baptist Church near Hollins University.
- V-Da-Li
 - Our Chapter has a website: <https://sites.google.com/site/vdalichapter/>

- Chapter officers: Chief: Spencer K, Vice Chief: Sam M Secretary: Bram C. Treasurer: Nicholas M.

Old Business

- No Old Business

New Business

- Conclave 2013
 - Will be held at Pipsico
 - If Tutelo Wins the Golden Arrow at this Conclave, Tutelo will have filled every place on the Trophy as it stands now.
 - Patches
 - Different patch theme ideas were placed such as Tutelo Man (Iron man), a Spiderman Themed patch, Hawkeye themed patch, Lodge Wars theme (Star Wars), and more.
 - Rounds of Voting took place to decide the final patch theme concept
 - The Iron Man Conclave patch theme won the vote
- Tutelo Belt Buckles
 - Motion made to make Tutelo belt buckles based off the design from Jeremy J.
 - Second to the motion made.
 - Discussion
 - Cost: initial set up cost is \$100
 - Must first order 50-100 buckles
 - Because of our connections through the council, if this were to be approved, it would be easy for the Lodge to have these made.
 - The Buckle will be cast in multiple types of metals to give it a unique look and color. The cost to do it like that vs. only pewter is negligible
 - The idea is to sell it through the Lodge Trading Post
 - Vote
 - Motion passed unanimously
 - Buckles to start being made asap
- Dues!
 - Only 86 more people to get to pay dues!
 - When the Lodge gets these members to pay their dues, the Lodge will not only have met the Gold level for Journey to Excellence, but exceeded it by approx. 600 points.
 - Each Chapter can get 10 more people to pay their dues and we will meet our goal.
- Holiday Tree
 - The Theme is Native American and Order of the Arrow
 - Orville deserves a big thanks for giving a tremendous amount of time to getting this tree up and going
 - The Deadline for submitting ornaments is November the 12th.

- The tree will help get the OA name out there
 - Includes the legend, a history of the OA and Tutelo Lodge, lists what the Lodge does, etc.
 - Will be good publicity for the Lodge
- It is 1 dollar to Vote. The money goes to charity
- Those who submitted ornaments will get them back after it is over with
- Ceremonies Committee Chairman, Adam C., needs volunteers to stand with the tree and give out information about the OA. Contact Adam for that (via Facebook or email)
- Winter Banquet Update
 - December the 8th
 - Make sure that if you want to go, you must sign up with the Office
 - Even if you have a gold card, you still must sign up (Gold card members have already paid)
 - Mitchell A. will be the MC and is planning the Banquet
 - We must close our financial books for 2012.
 - Chapters or committees with outstanding receipts that needs to get paid by the lodge must be turned in to Chris Dempsey by the Winter Banquet (December 8th)
- National OA wants rocks!
 - Need rocks from every lodge in the country
 - Tutelo needs a rock from somewhere on the reservation
 - Doesn't matter if it is from Powhatan, Ottari, Claytor Lake, Mountain Man or anywhere
 - Rock due by Dec. 31st
 - Has to be able to be shipped by USPS
 - The Rocks will be collected to reconstruct monumental fireplace

Reminders

- Next Meeting: December 8th (Saturday) 2:30 PM at the Council Service Center
- BRSR Summer 2013 Staff interviews on December 8th—Call to make appointment
- Winter Banquet: December 8th, 6 PM Airport Holiday Inn in Roanoke
- Conclave 2013 registration is now open

Minutes

- Chris D. – Inaudible (Too far away from microphone)
- Kevin R. – Even though the year is winding down, let's not slow down. We still have one more major, important task. Let's finish up this year with membership strong. Let's really try our best with this
- Matt R. – I first want to thank all of those Veterans that have served our country since today is Veterans Day. Conclave 2013 registration is now open and it is all important that we all sign up so that Tutelo's name can be on every plaque on that trophy. Let's all roll straight through the

end of the year into 2013 so nothing is left off. Let's keep our momentum up so that we can continue to be great in 2013.

December Lodge Meeting

Date: December 8, 2012

Location: Council Service Center

Head of Meeting: Matthew R.

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

Obligation

Invocation by Brandon W.

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Secretary's Report)

Approved

Officer Reports

Ceremonies – Ceremonies has dutifully stood by the Roanoke Hotel Holiday Tree and has a few more sessions doing that. We have had a great year and look forward to the next with Sam M.

Drum and Dance – Our next event is the Powwow in North Carolina which is January 25-27. Cost to go is \$35. Get to see some of the best dancers in the OA and many other fun things.

Publications – I will go over our plans for next year later in the meeting.

Membership – Have 998 Dues and we need 49 which is 95.3%. The Chapter with both highest percent of dues paid and highest brotherhood conversion is V-Da-Li. Congratulations.

All other Chairmen were not present to give reports.

Chapter Reports

V-Da-Li – 2012 has been a great year for V-Da-Li. We have experienced a great increase in participation. We thank everyone who helped us this year.

Saura – We have had a great year and have achieved many goals we set. Thank you for all your help.

Rawenok – Marcus W. will be our next chapter chief so congrats to him. And our next chapter meeting will be Tuesday, the 11th, not our normal day.

Kook – Congrats to our new chapter chief. Our next meeting is this Thursday at the regular church where we will be having our annual Kookmas party.

Moneton - Our chapter project at Ottari Chapel is going well. Our next meeting is Tuesday, December 11th at 7:30 PM at Central United Methodist in Radford.

Catawba – Our new Chapter Chief is excited and our other new officers have been installed. We are ready for another great year in Catawba Chapter.

Tuscarora – We have discussed and started finalizing our Winter Camporee. We have also worked hard getting dues paid in our chapter. Our next meeting is Wednesday, December 12th at St. Lukes UMC at 7:00PM.

Old Business

Belt Buckles

The buckles have different looks and will be sold at the same price. One has a higher price than the other which means that the lodge will not make as much profit on it to support it.

The multiple metal one is \$16.50 per buckle wholesale.

Motion to make bronze belt buckle (at \$16.50 per buckle wholesale). Seconded.

VOTE: Approved

Christmas tree Update

The Lodge is hosting a Christmas tree at Roanoke Hotel. It is the best one and we need your vote on it to make it win. The cost per vote is \$1 and all of the money goes to the United Way. Please go out and vote. It is also great publicity for the lodge.

New Business

Torchbearer Proposal

It costs so much money currently to print and mail the torchbearer that it is almost not worth it. Our budget is very large and the money going to just print and mail the document can be better spent elsewhere. During the mailing of the Torchbearer, one must, by hand, place labels on every single torchbearer. That means they must use a great amount of their own time to paste a label on over 1000 torchbearers or else pay an extra 150 dollars for it to be done. With the electronic version, the cost is virtually free. This would save around \$4000 for the lodge to spend elsewhere improving camp or doing other service projects.

Another down side to printing and mailing is that in order for the product to be mailed on time, we must have the final torchbearer copy ready six weeks ahead of time. This means that the torchbearer you get in the mail is at least a month and a half out of date. So the latest function you went to cannot be covered by the latest torchbearer. While with the electronic torchbearer, once we upload it, it will be viewed immediately. All information will be current and up to date.

Motion to make the torchbearer "99% digital." Seconded.

VOTE: Approved.

DUES

We are really close to meeting our goal to get Journey to Excellence! We need all of your help to contact all arrowmen that have not paid dues and get them to pledge. We thank V-Da-Li for having the best dues paid. And we encourage all other chapters to really strive to get their numbers high in the future. Chapters, please call your arrowmen and help us achieve this lodge goal.

Friends of Scouting

Every year, we pledge to donate \$2,500 to FOS. And we would like to continue this in 2013 and pledge to donate that amount of money to FOS.

Motion to continue a pledge of \$2,500 to FOS for 2013. Seconded.

VOTE: Approved.

Reminders

Conclave Registration is OPEN! Go online and register to attend! If you register before February, you are automatically entered to win an Android Galaxy tablet.

Final Minutes were given at the WINTER BANQUET.