



Fall Council of Chiefs Minutes

St. Mary's Parish Center—Oregon, IL

Sunday, September 18th, 2022

I. Opening

A. Welcome—C. Welke

1. Introduction of officers
2. Crowd warm-up activity with the section dump truck
3. Obligation

B. Roll Call—E. Levsky

1. Bigfoot: 5 youth
2. Kanwa tho: 3 youth
3. Lowaneu Allanque: 9 youth
4. Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan: 0 youth
5. Takhone: 6 youth
6. Wag-O-Shag: 2 youth
7. Waupecan: 4 youth
8. Wulapeju: 2 youth

C. Opening Activity—K. Land

1. Gemini lodge partners circled up together.
2. Kyle explained the rules of the game.
3. Lodges had a great time getting to know each other.

II. Lodge Reports

A. Wulapeju—O. Ebens

1. Have a total of 421 members composed of 208 youth and 209 adults
 - a) Which can also be broken down as 149 Ordeal, 122 Brotherhood, and 98 Vigils.
2. In 2022, inducted 113 new Ordeals, converted 122 Brotherhoods, and recognized 13 Vigils.
3. Had Fall Conclave in August, where 47 Ordeals completed their induction, 20 Brotherhood conversions, and nine new Vigils.
 - a) The new LEC was also elected at the event.



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B. Waupecan—W. Ogrizovich

1. It has been a productive year and summer, during which there were three weeks of callouts and ordeals at summer camp.
2. Brotherhood conversions were held in the Spring, in addition to 6 new Vigil honor members.
3. Fall Fellowship, where the new LEC was elected, was the biggest fellowship in five years, with 130 attendees.
4. Upcoming on October 1 is the annual Heritage Hike.

C. Wag-O-Shag—N. Giovan

1. At the Spring Conference, there were 12 new Ordeals and six Vigils, and 78 new Ordeal at the Fall Conference.
 - a) Current metrics include a 100% election rate and 88% induction rate
 - b) Hosted an Adventure lock-in which led to four activations
2. At NOAC, 12 members attended and four staffed.
3. New LEC has been activate
4. Building closer relations with arrowmen and other lodges
5. Starting a lodge beading system
6. Building relationships with Venture crews

D. Takhone—M. Magruder

1. The lodge has been off to a great year, and since conclave has hosted the Betz Fellowship and Memorial Weekend Fellowship.
2. During the summer camp season, there were callouts for 400 people and Brotherhood opportunities every week at Owasippe.
3. Recently hosted a fall bbq, Summer Fellowship, and Fall Fellowship.
4. Throughout the year, there have been over 290 new Ordeals and 90 Brotherhood conversions.
5. Upcoming, the lodge has a Brotherhood day next month and winter banquet in January.
6. Additionally, the Council Camporee, hopefully the second largest Scouting event this year nationwide, is coming up (GAME ON!), which is open to all Arrowmen to register and are invited to serve on staff.



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- E. Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan
 - I. No one present to report
 - F. Lowaneu Allanque—N. McConnell
 - I. Currently sitting at 568 dues paid members this year
 - a) The lodge had 60 Brotherhood conversions at three different Brotherhood days
 - b) 149 Arrowmen did their ordeal in addition to 15 new Vigils.
 - 2. At NOAC, 39 Arrowmen attended.
 - a) 1 lodge member is currently registered to staff at the National Jamboree, with four others attending as participants.
 - G. Kanwa tho—E. Smazal
 - I. Have 567 members registered, consisting of 231 Ordeal, 197 Brotherhood, and 145 Vigils
 - a) This year, 82 new Ordeals, 27 new Brotherhoods, and 11 Vigils.
 - 2. The Fall Fellowship was the last event at Indian Mound Reservation.
 - 3. The lodge held elections at Spring Fellowship.
 - 4. At NOAC, a total of 22 delegates and ten staff attended.
 - H. Bigfoot—D. Stracener
 - I. It was a successful summer for Bigfoot, with six weeks of inductions at summer camp.
 - a) At the two past events, 120 Arrowmen attended.
 - 2. The lodge will host its LLD next month.
 - 3. This year marks the 5th birthday, so the leadership is evaluating programs for future lodge success.
- III. Section Committee Reports—C. Welke
- A. The section has three standing committees: Comms., Training, and Trading Post.
 - B. Communications Committee—E. Levsky
 - I. The Communications Committee is up and rolling, with many Arrowmen already a part.
 - 2. Responsible for creating social media posts and other promotional materials for the section and events
 - a) Also, working on starting a section newsletter.



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3. One big project the team is working on is starting a Section Communications Training Seminar to provide deep dives into communication topics to benefit the lodges.
- C. Training Committee—K. Land
1. The committee will be responsible for providing exceptional training at section events.
 - a) The primary mission is to enable the training cvc to compile amazing syllabi.
 2. Hoping to work with lodges to help put on the best LLDs possible
 - a) Will discuss at lodge chief summits to see what the lodges need.
- D. Trading Post Committee—E. Welke
1. Jon Roth leads this committee.
 2. Currently trying to sell off old C-7 merchandise..
 3. Will be getting awesome new G9 merch at WCOC
 - a) Members should attend events to see the awesome new merch that will be rolled out.
- E. Standing Committee Roundups
1. Breaking out into different areas of the room to discuss what they do and how to join and any other questions Arrowmen may have.
- IV. All Section Activity
- A. The section called Immediate Past Section Chief Peter Selfors to wish him a happy 21st birthday.
 - B. Sli.do poll
 1. Attendees can ask questions that will be asked throughout the day.
 - C. Kyle led the section in a game of G'Day.
 - D. The officers responded to Sli.do poll questions
 1. How does one eat a door?
 2. Where is Tim Reiss?
 - a) He is at NLS in Alpine, NJ, but he will be at WCOC.
 3. How does Kyle Land keep his hair so voluptuous?
 - a) Head and Shoulders and sometimes 2-in-1 to feel fancy



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V. Old Business

A. 2022 Conclave Recap—C. Welke

1. Conclave took place in April at Indian Mound Reservation and was hosted by Kanwa tho with an outer space theme.
2. It was a blast of a weekend with a car and piano smash.
3. There was also a Blackhawk helicopter landing, along with a fire department jaws of life demonstration and a Swat team with a flash bang.
4. Other activities included tug-of-war and a NASA Research Center.
5. Shows CVC Michael did an amazing job with the shows, which included a masked singer competition.
6. The hodag was inside a castle where Arrowmen got to pie the officers.
7. It was a definite success as the first in-person conclave since 2019.

B. NOAC Recap—E. Levsy

1. It was an amazing event for almost 300 Arrowmen from our section.
 - a) Almost everyone in the room attended.
2. Arrowmen got to patch trade, attend training, make friends from around the country, and make amazing memories.
 - a) Activities included pedal carts, Sunsphere Reception, and rock wall climbing.

VI. Break

A. Trivia giveaway for three t-shirts

B. More Sli.do questions

1. Why are the three officers so awesome?
2. How can we continue making G9 the best section in the nation?
 - a) Increase attendance at section events, most lodges in the nation
 - b) Use lodge promotion guides created by the communications team
3. Where is the jar of jellybeans?
 - a) If we get 150 Arrowmen to attend WCOC, Eli will bring a jar of jellybeans.

C. Lunch

D. More Sli.do poll questions



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- E. Trading Post Advertisement—E. Welke
 - 1. The conclave long-sleeve shirt is now \$10
- F. WCOC 2022 Minutes Approval—C. Welke
 - 1. Review of the minutes
 - 2. Approved unanimously by voice vote
- VII. New Business
 - A. Lodge Chief Summits—K. Land
 - 1. Focused on the status of the lodges and progress on meeting goals.
 - 2. Will also be a space to provide national updates.
 - 3. There will be fun activities in addition for lodge chiefs to engage with one another and bond.
 - 4. Lodge chiefs should pay attention to Slack for announcements.
 - B. National Leadership Seminar—C. Welke
 - 1. A lot of people in the room have attended a previous NLS
 - 2. The next two closest NLS are St. Louis (March 2023) and Minneapolis (April 2023).
 - 3. NLS focuses on leadership skills and growth while also learning how to work with and help grow the OA.
 - 4. Personal testimonies were provided by Michael Magruder, Tim Tracey, and others.
 - C. OA High Adventure—E. Levisky
 - 1. An amazing opportunity where Arrowmen can go to any of the four national high adventure bases for a discounted price on the condition they spend half of the two-week trek doing service.
 - 2. A few people in the room have gone on OAHA, including Eli, who provided testimony on his OAOA trek this past summer.
 - a) It was tons of fun and he got to provide a variety of service projects to Sea Base.
 - b) He made a lot of great memories and friends, with whom he still stays in contact with.



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- D. 2023 Winter Council of Chiefs—K. Land
 - 1. WCOC is the second main business meeting for the section, but it is also a weekend of fun since it is a “party at the Kalahari.”
 - a) Continue planning for section conclave, in addition to training.
 - b) Everyone heads down to the waterpark after the meeting for fun.
 - 2. The lodge chiefs will decide the final price at a lodge chief summit.
 - 3. It will be on January 20, 2023.
 - 4. Section G10 will be joining again.
 - E. Operation Arrow - 2023 National Jamboree—C. Welke
 - 1. At the end of July next year, at the National Jamboree
 - 2. OA will be doing Service Corps and Summit Apex.
 - a) Arrowmen will help set up and take down while at Jamboree.
 - b) Will get to experience Jamboree at a severely discounted price.
 - F. More trivia t-shirt giveaways and Sli.do poll questions
- VIII. 2023 Section Conclave
- A. Host Lodge Conclave Update—T. Treacy
 - 1. Conclave will be at Camp Big Timber, which has amazing facilities, such as showers and space for plenty of training and activities.
 - a) Enough space to bring everyone from all the lodges.
 - 2. LA has the best cook crew.
 - B. Section Conclave Vision—K. Land
 - 1. Provide an opportunity to each of the lodges to help plan the event
 - C. Conclave Leadership Organization—C. Welke
 - 1. CVCs are leaders within the section that are not lodge chiefs.
 - 2. Overview of the current cvc appointments
 - a) CVC positions for Activities, Host Lodge, Publications, and Training are still open.
 - (1) If interested or have suggestions, talk to Collin.
 - D. Conclave Theme Decision
 - 1. The theme of the event will be lumberjacks.
 - 2. Each officer will present a logo, and the final decision will be up to a vote by the Arrowmen.



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- a) Collin presented his logo, which symbolizes lumberjacks and our Order.
 - (I) The wooden cookie has 12 rings to symbolize how old the section is.
 - b) Kyle presented his logo, which has an ax being sharpened.
 - c) Eli presented his logo, which had a person with one half lumberjack and the other half Scout, and the tagline “one forest, many trees.”
3. By a Sli.do vote of 96%, Collin’s logo was chosen.
- E. A new host lodge rotation will be decided at the WCOC.
- IX. CVC Roundup
- A. Breaking out into different areas of the room to discuss what they do and any other questions or ideas Arrowmen may have.
- X. Open Forum
- A. Last call for trading post
 - B. Kanwa tho Lodge received a letter from the Hunger Task Force in recognition of the 2022 Conclave food drive.
 1. The section raised 374 pounds of food and will try to beat that number at next year’s conclave.
 - C. FCOC Survey
 1. Comments and suggestions for this FCOC and future ones
 - D. Section Chief Minute—C. Welke
 1. We want to be the best section in the nation.
 2. Want to make sure our events are what the Arrowmen want to see
 - a) Help plan conclave
 - b) More than just business
 - E. Section Adviser Minute—S. Gertsch
 1. Appreciate everyone coming out to the event and having fun