



January 31, 2016
Occoneechee Council Service Center

The Occoneechee Lodge Executive Committee convened it's regular Winter meeting at 1:00 PM in the Council service center board room. The meeting had been delayed 1 week due to bad weather.

Prior to the opening of meeting, Glenn Parler presented Gray Barnhill, Lodge Chief, with a gavel that had been used in the NC Legislature. The gavel bears an engraved brass plate indicating the dedication for use with the Occoneechee Lodge and Mr. Parler had made a leather pouch to carry the gavel and had embellished the handle of the gavel with beautiful beadwork, representative of the OA and Occoneechee Lodge. All members in attendance were very appreciative of the effort put forth by Mr. Parler and thanked him for his contribution.

Gray Barnhill opened the meeting with the Obligation at 1:05PM

VC Commications took roll, followed by brief Chapter reports.

Eluwak Chapter – Present

Forming a new Ordeal Team, Arrow of Light Team. Chapter meetings are going well.

Ilau Machque – Present

Currently working on elections, have completed 1 AOL ceremony. Held a Christmas party in December and hosted an aid station for the 50 miler in November.

Kiowa – Present

Delivered the service project items to Granville County, have started elections and have a Chapter Service project planned for Spring Pow-Wow.

Lauchsoheen – Present

Have performed 3 Eagle ceremonies and hosted the Lodge Chief at their Christmas party. Hosted an aid station for the 50 miler in November.

Mimahuk – Present

Delivered the toys to local hospitals. Have started elections in units. Are working on AOL ceremonies and Lodge Ceremonies. Chapter EC is planning a day of service.

Netami – Present

Have delivered their toys to a local social service organization. Held a Christmas party in December and planning a tap-out ceremony for the spring. Should have a pre-ordeal and ordeal ceremony team for SPW. Held election team training and have contacted the troops to begin elections.

Netapolis – Present

Have completed 2 crossover ceremonies, dropped off toys at Moore County Hospitals.

Neusiok – Present

Have elections scheduled. Have planned a mini-spirit theme for SPW.

Saponi – Present

Dropped off toys to UNC medical center. Are working on Ordeal and Pre-Ordeal ceremony teams for SPW. Plan to build a storage shed at their ceremony ring in March. This project was approved by the camp properties committee.

Temakwe – Absent

Lodge Officer Reports:

Lodge Chief, Gray Barnhill reported that the Key 11 has been really busy getting ready for this year and planning the events for the coming months. The planbook took more work than expected due to the changes needed and overall revisions to awards. The Section service initiative helped in covering all NC Counties. All Lodge and Chapter Officers should be encouraging our members to renew their membership by paying their annual dues this year, registering for events and for the Section Conclave. The date for the annual Report to the State is still being determined.

VC Administration, Drew Bain reported that all form submissions, including election results should be submitted to Admin@lodge104.net for tracking.

VC Communications, Nicholas Anderson reported that a new camping promotions website was online. Find that at <http://camping.lodge104.net> The Conclave Black Friday contest was successful with 132 members getting registered. Two editions of the Tipi have been published. Slack.com is being used a lot to improve communication. Twenty-Four (24) lodge emails have gone out, 26 facebook postings and plenty of Twitter posts are improving our social presence.

VC Finance, Tyler Brezina reported that the trading post was planning an inventory work day and again reminded all members to pay dues on time. The Lodge will be changing to a new permanent membership card this year to reduce the number of cards we print every weekend. Cards will be available for members who pre-register for events. Cards can not be picked up by anyone but the member.

VC Program – Stephen Nuttall reported that CIS had been cancelled due to the weather and would not be rescheduled this year. All Chapters have been contacted about providing their Chapter AIA representative name to AIA Chairman, Cody Helm. Very little information has been sent in reply. LIFT, a section training opportunity, will be held February 19-20 at Camp Durant.

Past Lodge Chief, AJ Raulynaitis was recognized for being elected as the SR-7B Section Chief, filling the vacancy of Jeffrey Sedlachek.

Old Business

The meeting minutes from 2015 LLD were presented and reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes as written was made, seconded and passed unanimously without further discussion.

50 Miler– 2015 Chairman Matthew Shore reported that the 50 miler event was held again at Falls Lake in November and that they had good weather. 40 hikers started with 36 individuals and a 4 person team. This was below previous year attendance. There were not sufficient participant

vests and patches were not ordered for the Cub Scouts in advance, nor enough patches for the staff and participants. Matthew indicated that organizational meetings should start in August if the event is to continue. The chapters that volunteered as Aid Stations were a great help. Matthew deferred to his adviser, Tom Wells, for further discussion about the future of the event, but Mr. Wells had another obligation and was not in attendance. A decision for 2016 event was tabled for the next EC.

Gray Barnhill presented the final 2016 Lodge planbook to all chapter chiefs and adviser and made the following comments. The cost of the planbook continues to be a significant expense and the Lodge Key 11 recommends that we not issue new editions every year, but rather, issue only replacement pages as the book evolves. Full copies, with all revisions, will be posted on the Lodge website. Gray asked that the notebooks be passed down to the new officers every year to reduce this cost.

Gray highlighted changes in the planbook as a result of LLD and included:

page 1 - Lodge mission, purpose and goals for the year.

page 2 – Lodge operating budget. Each officer discussed their portion of the budget and it was unanimously approved by those present.

Section B – Roth Award – Gray highlighted a proposed revision to the Roth Award and deferred discussion to the members. In general, the details on how each chapter member can help the Lodge be successful and their effort recognized for this contribution was appreciated. A motion was made to approve the revised Roth Award requirements, seconded and approved unanimously.

Tyler Brezina moved to approve the use of the Lodge name, number, and totem on the 2016 Trade-O-Ree patch, seconded. Tyler differed to Jackson Woody for discussion. The motion passed 14-0-0.

Tyler Brezina moved to approve the use of the Lodge name, number, and totem on a new Sea Scout Flap, seconded. Tyler differed to Jackson Woody for discussion. The motion passed 14-0-0.

Tyler Brezina moved to approve the use of the Lodge name, number, and totem on the Carolina Panthers flap, seconded. Tyler differed to Jackson Woody for discussion. It was noted that the patch would only be produced if Panthers are victorious in the 2016 Super Bowl. Motion passed 14-0-0

Tyler Brezina moved to set the date for the Occoneechee Lodge Trade-O-Ree for August 26th-27th, 2016, seconded, motion passed 14-0-0

Tyler Brezina moved to approve for the use of the lodge name, number, and totem of the Occoneechee Historic Unit Patch, to be worn by brothers who are members of units in our council which have existed for 104 years or more, seconded, motion passed 14-0-0.

Drew Bain moved to create a 100% Brotherhood Conversion Award for Occoneechee Lodge, seconded, motion passed 14-0-0.

Drew Bain moved to create Section XVIII (18) under Section B Article VIII (8) of the planbook to list the requirements of the 100% Brotherhood Conversion Award and insert the 100% Brotherhood Conversion Award form directly after page 20 in Section E, seconded, motion passed 14-0-0

Drew Bain moved to approve the use of the lodge name, number, and totem on the 100% Brotherhood Conversion Award patch, seconded, motion passed 14-0-0

Chief's Minute – Gray recognized Netapolis Chapter as the winner of Black Friday Competition. He reminded everyone of the National Training Events on the schedule and anyone with interest in Prism should see him. NLS/NLATS occurring April 1st in Greensboro (half of cost payed for by lodge, registration on national website, approval and subsidized by lodge.

Lodge Adviser's Minute – Kevin Blackwood reminded the members of our continued duty to provide service to the Council and noted a large number of improvements at Camp Durant where we can be helpful. This includes a new campsite longleaf getting two new shelters, bath house improvements and service in the Grand Lodge. Since there will not be service planned for SPW, it was likely that the Lodge would assist with a mini-service day in early March or April. He thanked the EC for their flexibility in attending today's meeting. As a reminder, please email results of elections to VC of Administration using the address Admin@lodge104.net He reminded the members that they keys to success were planning, execution, and improvement were key for this year and encouraged each chapter to document their own plan by creating a Chapter planbook.

Staff Adviser's Minute - Planning is everything, make sure things happen ahead of time such as documents even with change in plans, youth initiative in documents, hard work suggestion for Chapter Chief and thanks, thanks for Advisor work and attendance of recent events.

With no further business, the meeting was concluded at 4:15PM with the Song of our Order.