

# Lodge Executive Committee Meeting November 14, 2021 St. Stephens Parish Hall, Newport News, VA

## Attendees:

☑ Lodge Chief Collin 'Fred' MacDonald	☑ First Vice Chief Ruger Jennings	☐ Second Vice Chief of Admin. Chris Westling	☐ Second Vice Chief of Program Aidan Wells	☑ Treasurer Jackson Neuwirth	☑ Secretary Parker Mokry
☑ Andrew Beute			☑ Jackson Pendleton		
☑ Erica Brosnan			☑ Dennis Pugh		
☑ Brian Champigny			☑ Star Pugh		
☑ Joshuah Cox			☑ Carter Recupero		
☑ Barry Green			☑ Emma Recupero		
☑ Randy Jennings			☑ Lina Recupero		
☑ Larry Johnson			☑ Will Richards		
☑ Daniel Lee			☑ Bruce Richey		
☑ Tom Liakos			☑ Shannon Satterfield		
☑ Robert Locke			☑ David Singletary		
☑ Michael O'Flynn			☑ Matt Singletary		
☑ Mike O'Flynn			☑ Jeff Westling		
☑ Fabian Osl	kierko				

# Agenda:

Approval of October Minutes

- Motion: "to approve the October minutes."
   Motion carries

#### **New Business**

- Dues
  - The Lodge dues deadline is November 30.
  - Click HERE to pay online!
- Polestar
  - Training needed to boost Lodge of the Year score
    - Program built for you, the arrowmen that make our Lodge
  - Point of contact: Matt Singletary
- NOAC: July 25 30, 2022 at University of Tennessee, Knoxville
  - Registration reminder:
    - Early Bird: \$575 + Lodge fees (paid before December 15, 2021)
    - Standard: \$625 + Lodge fees (paid before May 31, 2022)
    - Late registration: \$675 + Lodge fees (paid between June 1 and June 30, 2022)
  - Fundraiser patch
    - No, the design is not a bus!
    - Like 2020 fundraiser patches, they will be introduced in a series distinguished by border color
    - Motion: "to approve the NOAC fundraiser patch" (Joshua).
      - Second Jackson
      - Motion carries
- Fall Fellowship Future
  - Will not be an inductions weekend
    - Made an inductions weekend because of canceled 2021 Winter Service Weekend
  - Continue to hold Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) at Fall Fellowship
    - 2021 Fall Fellowship was great success
  - Focused on fun, fellowship, and trainings
  - Motion: "to merge LLD and Fall Fellowship" (Jackson)
    - Second: Star
    - Motion carries
  - Suggested merging Vigil Weekend and Fall Fellowship
    - Would need to create some form of a barrier
      - Suggested using the old Kiwanis Dining Hall and perpendicular tree line
    - Discussion tabled until Vigil Chairman (Garrison) and more Vigil honor members are present
    - Mr. Liakos tasked with drafting proposal
- Nottoway-Nansemond Merger
  - Post LEC meeting with Chapter Chiefs and Advisors present at meeting requested
- Friends of Scouting (FOS) Gift
  - Tabled until Lodge budget completed
- Chapter Budgets
  - Send email to Treasurer Jackson, and copy Chief Fred, Vice Chief Ruger, Mr. Westling, and Mr. Gould (deangould@mac.com)
- Male-Female Camping Accommodations

- Requiring 20 feet minimum separation between male and female campers at campsites
- o Continue to put both males and females at same campsite
- Applies to youth and adults
- Planning to reuse signs from Conclave 2021
- Please fill out your event registration forms completely
  - Making more of an effort to keep track of where people are camping
  - Minimize the number of "surprises"

## Membership

- 456 total members
  - 191 youth
  - 51 young adults (18 − 21)
  - o 214 adults
- 18% of total membership attended LLD
- Lodge membership numbers have increased for the first time since before the pandemic

#### Reports

- Chief
  - o Creation of the Chapter Chief and Lodge Cabinet email chain
    - Work on budget at next meeting
- 1st Vice Chief
  - Had a successful Fall Fellowship

#### Return of the New Business

- Activation Methods
  - Suggested that the membership serve the new candidates their dinner on Saturday night
    - New members are instructed to sit at tables
    - Vigil honor members are served two plates of food (one for a new member and one for themselves)
    - Vigil members meet with new candidates over dinner
      - Goal is to promote the OA and forge relationships
    - If there are more new members than Vigils, the LEC would serve, then Brotherhood members.
- Suggested that this be implemented at 2022 Winter Service Weekend Reports (continued)
  - Secretary
    - \*Note-taking intensifies\*
  - Communications
    - Finally updated the website
      - Dues online portal
      - Winter Banquet Registration online portal
    - Parker will be stepping down at the Spring Service Weekend in May of 2022
      - Looking for youth interested in managing the website and/or the Lodge's social media
      - Contact Parker and Matt Singletary if you are interested

- Spirit
  - THE EVENT IN APRIL!!!
- Conclave theme: Pirates (Wahunsenak-arr!)
  Patch design already approved (October LEC)
  - Flag designs: (estimated price: \$250)

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- Approval tabled until next LEC
- Conclave "float"
  - Designing a trailer at Pipsico to look like a boat
    - Multiple steps required
    - Need help from chapters
  - Completed product will be at Winter Service Weekend in March of 2022
- Unit Elections
  - Using the LodgeMaster tool to increase efficiency of unit elections
  - Completed several elections recently
- Trading Post
  - Looking for youth chair
  - Remember to submit your Lodge Honor Member Award forms before November 30!
  - Suggested purchasing more 2021 Conclave Service flaps and round patches and selling them, in sets, to people who did not request flaps
  - Motion: "to buy 250 flaps and 200 round patches and selling the extra patches at \$25 for a set of flap and round patch"
    - Motion carries
- Chapters:
  - Kecoughtan
    - "Moderate" attendance at Fall Fellowship
    - Designed t-shirt for chapter members
      - Motion: "to design and purchase chapter t-shirts" (Michael).
        - Second: Jackson
        - Motion carries
  - Nansemond
    - Has elected to merge with Nottoway in near future
      - Has design ideas for chapter specific Lodge flap
      - Motion: "to let Nansemond use the Lodge name and number on new chapter patch" (Star)
        - Second: Jackson

### Motion carries

- Insignia Design
  - o Doc. Green stepping down; Mr. Richards stepping up
  - Has design for 2022 event patches
    - Theme: Different Ducks
  - o Motion: "to approve the design and distribution of the 2022 event patches."
    - Motion carries
- Creation of a shadow box for undisclosed scouter
  - Motion: "to allocate \$300 for the purchase of patches for a shadow box for an adult leader."

Meeting Adjourned Next LEC: January 9, 2022; location to be determined