



LOWANEU ALLANQUE LODGE

ORDER OF THE ARROW

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Lowaneu Allanque Lodge #41

E-Board Minutes

Date: October 15th, 2020

Type of Meeting: Microsoft Teams Call

Secretary: Nicholas Shute

Executive Board Positions:

Lodge Chief- Daniel Stoner (chief@oa41.org)

Lodge Vice-Chief of Committees- Nico Lamb (vccom@oa41.org)

Lodge Vice-Chief of Chapters- Ryan Predki (vcchapt@oa41.org)

Lodge Secretary- Nicholas Shute (sec@oa41.org)

Lodge Treasurer- Collin Freese (treas@oa41.org)

Lodge Quartermaster- Ethan Tidwell (qm@oa41.org)

Call To Order- Daniel Stoner started the meeting around 7:31 and he led us with the O.A. Obligation, a Pledge of Allegiance was not held

Agenda: Reports-

Secretary's Report (Nicholas Shute) – The minutes were given out via screen share by Mr. Nadeau and after several minutes of looking over by everyone in attendance at the meeting they were passed after a motion and a second.

Webmaster with (Mrs. Deb Brown) – Mrs. Brown will post a lot of new updates on the website when she gets back from her vacation tomorrow, she also wants to update contacts and names for committee chairman, advisers, and officers and she wants list of contacts to make these updates if anyone has this information, it was also mentioned that Chapters have there own section on the website where they can talk about where and when they meet, and last the registration for both L.L.D. and the Brotherhood Bash are on the website are open and the payment area for dues for next year will be on the website by the end of the month

Treasurer's Report (Colin Freese) – The current Lodge treasury number will not include finances from Fall Fellowship as its finances are unfinalized, the Lodge currently has \$142,250 in cash, also dues for this year end on December 31st, so be prepared to pay new dues on January 1st

Quartermaster's Report (Ethan Tidwell) – Ethan has been working on the 25th anniversary patch sets with the silver border and they will be limited edition with only 50 made so they will be very special and you should get them when they last, the avenue

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for procuring these items is through the Quartermaster store and Ethan should be at L.L.D. so you should be able to get them there, but they may not be out that soon so at the latest you should be able to buy them at Winter Banquet

Chapter Reports (Ryan Predki)— Ryan is thinking of holding on Saturday evening October 17th a meeting with the Chapter Chiefs and Chapter Advisers

Chippewa - The report for the Chippewa Chapter is to start off Ryan Dodd is the new Chapter Chief, with Jordan Landtiser and James Gowney as his new Vice Chapter Chiefs. They had a meeting on Thursday October 1st, 2020 where they held there election, then they held a Chapter officers meeting on October 6th, 2020 where they decided they would only hold virtual meetings until around January, and they will be holding another meeting on Thursday, October 22nd this month. They also will be holding a Chapter Meeting on Thursday November 12th and Thursday December 3rd. At the Chapter Officers meeting, the officers discussed if they were holding a Lodge Lock-in as they were unsure if the Lodge is pushing for a Chapter or Lodge Lock-in, they discussed how they were looking to build things up in their Chapter, and they discussed how they want the Chapter to handle First Year Arrowman awards as some people may not be able to get it do to the COVID-19 pandemic shutting down so many events, it was also mentioned that the Chippewa Chapter discord was currently at 90 members

Ottawa - The report for the Ottawa Chapter is they do not have there Chapter Chief here tonight, but they have their Chapter Vice Chief Vinny Hlavacek who mentioned that they held one meeting on October 7th where they had 5 youth and 4 adults, they elected a Chapter Secretary which is Lucas Shute, and they discussed various important Chapter subjects such as unit elections, communications, and ceremonies

Potawatomi - The report for the Potawatomi Chapter is that they elected new officers with Austin Mathison being decided as their new Chapter Chief and there new Vice Chapter Chief who is Lucas Wilson, and they met in Yorkville, and at this meeting they discussed a socially distanced pizza party, they talked about old business, they welcomed their new members, and they now have started a Potawatomi discord which is currently at 10 members

Committee Reports (Nico Lamb)— Nico sent out an email to all the committee Chairman recently and he only heard back from two of them, so he wants the other Chairman to check their emails

American Indian Activates - The report for A.I.A. is they currently are getting ready for



the Brotherhood Bash on November 14th after L.L.D. and Matt Bazan has a few things to say about that later, and they also as mentioned at previous meetings are trying to make three new teams for the lodge, one being from each Chapter, and each Chapter team having about 8 people with 2 people per principle role with one main person and one backup which in total is 24 people from among the three Chapters, the extra backup people who may not be needed for the ceremonies can help out the grounds crew and the guides, Matt Bazan needs to email Nico Lamb so that they can coordinate on what is going on with the A.I.A. Committee

Activities - The report for the Activities committee is they really have nothing to mention at this time, but Nico is planning on holding an activity at the L.L.D. event

Brotherhood - The report for the Brotherhood committee is they are currently preparing for the upcoming Brotherhood Bash on November 14th after the L.L.D. event and he also has some things to say later on about the Brotherhood Bash, but for now they are just preparing for the event itself, Jacob Wilson also needs to email Nico Lamb so that they can coordinate on what is going on with the Brotherhood Committee

Communications - The report for the Communications committee is Nico had to bring them up because they are not on the agenda, he wanted to mention that they will finally be putting this Committee into action, but they need a Adviser and a youth Committee Chairman, so reach out to Nico if you would like to talk about getting into either of those positions, also it was mentioned that in general the Communications Committee and Committee Chairman's job description would include creating and helping out with social media accounts for the Lodge and helping the Lodge to spread out the word about events, along with getting a calendar of events for the Lodge published, Gavin Smith said he will be messaging Nico about the youth Communications Chairman position

Elangomats - The report for the Elangomat committee is Lucas Wilson mentioned that he needs new Elangomats for the upcoming Brotherhood Bash and he put his email in the chat for people to contact him, he also mentioned that he would like to get together with Elangomats for Spring Fellowship next year and he mentioned that he knows that he could not have an Elangomat training at L.L.D., so he was wondering if they could hold an Elangomat training for those Elangomats for their first time at Spring Fellowship, it was then discussed that Lucas could not hold a training at L.L.D. as there was not enough room to fit one in as what Ryan Predki did when planning L.L.D. was he went to the O.A. National Website and looked at what we needed to teach as a Lodge as predetermined by National which we will get more into in the L.L.D. portion of new business, but just in general some things were not included as we needed to do some modules more than others, finally it was mentioned that as Committee Chairman of the Elangomats, Lucas can put together an Elangomat training whenever he wants



Grounds - The report for the Grounds committee is Eric Moskal was not at tonight's meeting, but he had emailed Nico prior to the meeting and said they currently had nothing to report at this time other than the fact that he (Eric Moskal) was the official Committee Chairman now

Inductions - The report for the Inductions committee is first the Committee Chairman Austin Mathison put his email in the chat for Nico as he never received an email like Nico had said he sent, he also mentioned that Inductions will be holding an L.L.D. planning meeting, but other than all of that he has nothing to report except that Inductions has completed an Inductions slideshow and script and they will get that out to the lodge soon

Service - The report for the Service committee is there was no one from service at the meeting, so we will need to reach out to them although Nico already did that and no one responded. Therefore, until we can speak with them there is no report again as this is the 2nd month in a row they have not come to the Executive Board Meeting

Vigil - The report for the Vigil committee is they have recently wrapped up a heavy and busy part of the Vigil season of the year as they had the Vigil night where everyone that was selected was able to become Vigil and they all survived and had a good time

-also for Committee's in general it was mentioned that a temporary Committee should be designed and created for each event to help organize it and help plan it along with keeping the Executive Board updated and anyone in that committee should know what is going on, for example the upcoming L.L.D. event has its own Committee of trainers

New Business-

Terror in the Timber's- there currently is an error in Terror in the Timber's website, to start off Terror in the Timbers is more of a drive through now, it was mentioned that it started the first weekend of October and will continue through every weekend of October, an explanation of it is it is a drive through haunted trail now with a max amount of 4 people per car and a vehicle height limit of 7 or 8 feet if you want to go as a customer, Mr. Nadeau mentioned he has heard great things and that they had trouble the first week with pacing and that they need a bit longer of a drive through, it was also mentioned that they could always use extra volunteers particularly with helping the drive flow of traffic and with the parking lot, you should also come dressed for weather and wear a sweater or hat, and it was also said that the last two weekends of October are they are holding it on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays rather than just Friday and Saturday, so everyone should come to do more service as they only are about halfway through



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Popcorn Super Saturday-to start off this event will be Saturday November 7th and, Mr. Nadeau has updates, and they are the location and time frame, the location being Midwest warehouse which has the address 2380 Diehl Road in Aurora, Illinois which is different from the usual place and is structured like a actual warehouse rather than a drive through facility like in the past, it was then mentioned that it should be a good and fun day and the popcorn sales were not as high as previous years so the times would be different and they are a start time of 7:30 a.m. and a end time of 12:00 p.m. with a reservation of the place until 2:00 p.m., so come and help in the morning to help set up cones and traffic signs but don't come any earlier than 6:00 a.m., also dress for the weather as a Scout is prepared, maybe wear a Class B shirt, and it was mentioned that there is not a sign up on the website as it is a council event, the Chippewa Chapter mentioned that they would get a head count from their 90 member Discord, it was also said that there will not be as much service as the previous year, but still come before 7:30 a.m. as that is the start time for units to start their drop-offs and eventual pick-ups and you need to sign in before you start, it was then mentioned that we could put out a simple registration and send it out to people on LodgeMaster and it was asked if we need a minimum amount of people to come and Mr. Nadeau said about 20 members would be good as we had about 15 or 20 last year, Mr. Johnson then said that the key thing was that we are not volunteers working the beys, we would be at the end of the line for stacking and wrapping and we will probably have to manage parking like we have done in the past, and we would need at least 6 people doing parking and managing people in and out along with another 6 or 8 people helping out with stacking pallets to make sure there are no problems, Mr. Nadeau then mentioned that not as much popcorn went out but we will be using hand jacks or pallet jacks so we will need some stronger people or older scouts and adults, he also described that sometimes will be busier than others as sometimes we will help people with a lot of popcorn and other times we will have time to stand around and chat, but we should stay fairly busy, and the more manpower we have the earlier the work is, all in all it was said that things will not be as busy as past years as not the same total number of units are coming and they will only come with lighter popcorn amounts

Lodge Leadership Development (L.L.D.)-Ryan Predki and the other trainers have just about finished up what they are all doing and are finishing up their training modules, Ryan mentioned that he has not sorted out who to contact for the cook crew and he told to talk to Tim Bryner and Ryan said he would get to him in the next couple of days, it was also said Brotherhood Bash will also need to talk to him, Jordan Landtiser and Ryan have been working hard on scheduling trainers who should have their modules done by November 1st and they will have individual meetings with these trainers to see if they need anything, also if any trainer did not get the email Ryan sent out then please contact him or Jordan, it was then said that L.L.D. will be Saturday November 14th and it is from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and trainers should show up earlier than 8:00 a.m., the In-person event is at Camp Big Timber and is limited to 50 people, also it was questioned why the event on the website was open to 75 people, but Mrs. Brown said

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she was watching it and if it gets to be to many people she can shut it down but she could not put it in as a only 50 person event along with the Brotherhood Bash, Mr. Johnson then mentioned he would like to talk about the Brotherhood Bash, and finally it was said that the event is open to any anyone song long as they sign up on the website, Ryan also mentioned that they would be looking into doing the trainings virtually or making them virtual so people can view them at a later time

Brotherhood Bash-to explain this event, it will be a conversion and then a dinner, and it will be right after L.L.D. starting at 5:00 p.m. and ending around 8:00 or 8:30 p.m., it was said that last time ceremonies took a majority of the time and there will not be as many people as last time so that is why it will be shorter, Matt Bazan asked why we are doing a Bash as we just did one three months ago and had trouble finding a ceremonial team and was told he did not have anymore ceremonies until April and he thought he had until that month to make new teams as many of the old teams have people aging into adulthood and going to college and jobs making them unavailable, next Matt mentioned he did not want a Brotherhood Bash at L.L.D. as he had a bad Brotherhood Ceremony as it was in a English Classroom and brown books were logs and yellow books were fire and if we are planning to have it outside it will be cold in November so they could not do the ceremony in skin clothes unless the Executive Board would like to allocate \$1000 to find warm clothes so it may need to be indoors, in general though Matt does not does not want to do it if we cannot do it right, which is why the last Brotherhood Bash was good as it was all done correctly, it was then mentioned by Daniel Stoner that maybe they should look into if they could cover up regalia as it should outside, Mr. Johnson then said that he agreed with Matt in the fact that the old ceremonies were bad, the Brotherhood Bash went well, but he said that if we have a lot of Ordeal members and only allow 50 people then it will restrict potential candidates in the year down the road if we do not do it, and he knows the month of November still is not a good time to do it but we also need to move forward, Austin Mathison wanted to add to the Brotherhood Bash that those who got their Ordeal at Spring Fellowship are literally off by less than a week to be eligible for Brotherhood, so he wants to know if we will allow them to go to the Bash or will we make them wait for the next one, the answer to his question was that although we appreciate the spring candidates want to go we cannot stretch the time any shorter than six months and we need to prioritize the 2019 ordeals who have not yet had the opportunity to go to a Bash and we are limited to 5-10 staff and 40-45 people so it will only be for people who got their Ordeals in 2019, it was also mentioned that we will be using two rooms instead of one including the main room and founders room for teaching if we get enough people, then they said we should attempt to have 15 trainers and 50 candidates if we use two rooms and then Mr. Johnson suggested that if we have 50 candidates, then we have two ceremonies of 25 and no single file line from the bridge to the ring, but instead do two columns and move closer to the ring to help it be a quicker outside ceremony, Matt once again mentioned it is a lose lose as inside is not a good option and outside it is cold, and then he decided they could just wear coats with there sash on top and maybe moccasins, Mr. Johnson



hand them out instead of one to save time, Ryan Dodds then said a lot of people are trying to push people to come to the Bash, but he thinks that this produces a sash and dash, so he was wondering if candidates should do something prior as at the last Bash they just told us all the information by going over it once, Jacob responded that we were trying to teach a lesson and we wanted to see how the last Bash would go as a test and it should be a learning event as you cannot stop people from doing a sash and dash, Jacob also mentioned that people who get Brotherhood are thought to be more likely to participate in the Order of the Arrow and that the old Brotherhood Walks were even worse than the Bash, Jacob then put his email in the chat for anyone who needed to get in contact with him

Momentum-Spark-Robby Dzieranowski talked about Momentum-Spark saying it was the second Momentum event following Momentum Launch over the Summer and it is the first ever induction for Arrowman that is all virtual, and he said at the event there will be fun games and events and people should sign up for the event that is from November 6th-November 7th, he also said that there are two sign up options one being that you go for free and a second of \$15 to make yourself a premium delegate which allows you to chat with people around the entire country, get access to trainings and information after the event, and get a patch, he also mentioned that this event is primarily for people who have not yet completed their Ordeal yet this year and it is up to the Lodge to administer the tests and service while the ceremonies will be recorded and broadcasted, but it is up to the Lodge other than the ceremonies, it was then mentioned that we will need someone to keep track of the people that attend and that Popcorn Super Saturday is at the same time so we may not have people to share any tools and administer the tests, then it was said that Mr. Jason Ball can get sashes to people early if it is needed and that there are videos to instruct how to do the tests and that minimal lodge involvement is needed and is not a huge commitment, then it was questioned if we need a group or committee to organize it and Robbie said he would not tell us what to do, but at a month away a committee is kind of toil some as it is kind of late to do anything as we should have had a person to get the sashes out earlier, Robbie then mentioned he will be at Fort Knox that weekend so he cannot go and inform those that do not go of what they miss, but he will be a premium delegate so he can watch the videos later, Daniel Stoner asked if anyone would like to lead a committee to hammer out questions and get other information, but no one wanted to do anything, but if anyone is interested they can contact Nico Lamb, Robbie then mentioned people could drive to Norris Scout Center to get the sash and other required materials or that we could mail the needed things to people using the large amount of funds the Lodge has, but Daniel said he didn't want to make any decisions until we have a committee chairman, it was also asked by someone on how people can register and it was answered that is done through the national website, finally it was mentioned that there are a lot of details and pieces we would need to rush to put together and that we only have about 100 sashes and books at this point, so we will have to have the committee deal with it at this point, but it will all be looked into



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Winter Banquet-for Winter Banquet a committee is going to be formed so please talk to Nico, we need people to join this committee as there are lots of things to discuss such as if we want it at the same time of year or sometime in the summer and if we want to hold it as a virtual event, Daniel said we would need someone to step up and be a Committee Chairman for it and Ryan Predki said he would be willing to Co-Chair it with Jordan Landtiser like they are with L.L.D., it was also mentioned that people should send all First Year Arrowman Award sheets to the Lodge Secretary

Other-There was no other new business that was mentioned at this time, so there was nothing else to discuss.

Old Business-

Fall Council of Chiefs (F.C.O.C.)-Mr. Stoner attended this and he said it was nice to see what could be done with a virtual event along with some fun games and although we did not have real two way communication the section officers and region chief all responded to questions and it was very fun

Other-There was no other old business that was mentioned at this time, so there was nothing else to discuss.

Key 3 Minutes

Lodge Staff Advisor (Mr. Sean Nadeau) – in Mr. Nadeau's minute he thanked everyone for coming, and he said a couple things to keep in mind are that we are braving into this year further and further and into what we want to be a normal school year, and when we left our Pre-Ordeal Ceremony for our night under the stars the last thing Kitchkinet tells us is to "find the arrow", but no one tells us how or where we will find it, but we all know that we are the arrow and our entire journey as a arrow is definitely a long journey and this year we are going through many different types of environments and we seem to be thrown into every type of situation and because of all this we should give ourselves a pat on the back, to end he said we have all complained about long meetings but Mr. Nadeau said he is happy to be in two hour Executive Board Meetings as he knows that things are getting done, so as we see numbers from National districts and numbers from our own troops going down please, no matter what, keep going and let us try to find the arrow

Lodge Advisor (Mr. David Stoner) – in Mr. Stoner's minute he said that what he took

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reinstated the Communications Committee as we need to strive to communicate with everyone and have everyone know what is going on, he also said it is not just communicating, but communicating timely and orderly so that we can continue to run events, and we need people to really step up and coordinate events which does not mean they run the event, but they tell the other committees what is needed for the event, and if anyone feels that there is a lack of communication please reach out, as for example, yesterday Mr. Johnson asked if they were going to send out a link for the Executive Board meeting and they were then able to send one out, so you all should know things will get done if you reach out

Lodge Chief (Daniel Stoner) – in Daniel's minute he said that he is not a motivational speaker or a long talker, but he thinks tonight was great and he is happy we are following through with Executive Board designs and he is happy to keep moving forward, and that we can head into our song

Meeting Adjournment- Daniel moved us into our O.A. official song and everyone said goodnight with the meeting ending around 9:16 p.m.

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