

## **Takhone Lodge #7 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting**

### **Welcome**

The January Takhone Lodge Executive Committee Meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m. on January 9th, 2022, at the Union Church of Hinsdale.

Amendments to the agenda to add the Winter Banquet Committee Report at the beginning of the Program Report, the Council Camporee Report at the end of the Program Report, and the OA song at the end of the agenda.

### **Roll Call**

A quorum was achieved

### Approval of Minutes

Eli L. motions with Davu H. seconding to approve the January LEC minutes

Passed unanimously

Eli L. motions with John S. seconding to approve the November LEC minutes

Passed unanimously

### **Operations (Michael M.)**

#### Elections Overview

Unit election requests opened on January 1st, and requests have started to be received. Chapters should respond as promptly as possible to requests to set a good impression with units.

#### PMP Celebrations

Takhone Lodge achieved High Performing status for 2021. If a member is interested in being an OA Rep, reach out to Michael or Bora. Members should also be sure to pay their dues; if they do so by March 1st, they will receive a special flap. Ordeals stills have to pay their dues for 2022, even though their 2021 dues were covered by their Ordeal.

### **Chapters and Programs Joint Report (Marty K.)**

Chapters should continue working on unit elections, which is a team effort among the leadership team. The Operations Team is available to help as needed, such as with LodgeMaster. Chapters should begin promoting their Week of Service Spring Events. The next quarterly meeting will be on February 27th at 7 p.m. and will be relatively short.

#### Winter Banquet (Macey K.)

The Winter Banquet went really well and had just under 200 attendees. The committee would like to congratulate all award recipients and believes that this year's banquet sets a good precedent for future Winter Banquets.

### Chapter Reports

Calumet: There will be a chapter meeting on January 18th at 7 p.m. at Black Bear Lodge.

Checaugau: The last chapter meeting was fun and the chapter's first unit election is on Tuesday.

Five Creeks: The district had canceled roundtable, so they are not sure if there will be a meeting.

Iron Horse: There was a pizza party at the last meeting and is now planning unit elections.

Portage Creek: The chapter is working on a conservation project and will have a meeting this Thursday.

Prairie Dunes: The regularly scheduled meeting was canceled, but there will be a Zoom meeting some this week and will start planning Pot Hike soon.

Tall Grass: The December meeting was a success considering there were six new activations.

The Key 3 is planning the next chapter meeting.

Thunderbird: The lockin was canceled, but there will be a Zoom meeting on the 20th to schedule unit elections.

Trailblazer: Unit election scheduling has had progress and is working to assemble a good team.

The chapter will continue meeting in person even though the district roundtable is virtual.

Tri-Star: There is a meeting this Tuesday on Zoom/ The meeting location will be moved to St. Andrews Church. The chapter is also pushing Klondike back, considering COVID-19.

### Winter Council of Chiefs (Tim R.)

It will be a blast at the Kalahari Water Park on January 29th with a Hawaiian-themed, so people should bring Hawaiian shirts. The section is partnering with Section C-1B. It will be tons of fun at the waterpark and meeting people from across the section. There will be a special election for Section Chief for a term until April. Any members of Takhone interested in running should talk to Wes Weems. If any member is still interested in attending, talk to Brian Schaeffer.

### LLD (Bora D.)

LLD this year will be on Zoom since no venue would allow us to host an event. The structure will consist of an hour and a half training on the first Saturday and Wednesday of the month between February and May. If a member goes to four out of five modules, they will get the event patch.

### May Fellowships (Seth S.)

There are two upcoming fellowships: May 13th to the 15th at Camp Betz and May 27th to the 30th at Owassippe. The lodge is looking for people to join a committee for both events. Lodge elections will be held at the Owassippe Fellowship.

### Camporee (Gerber)

The council-wide camporee will be from October 7th to the 9th at the McHenry County Fairgrounds, which has ample parking, electricity, and water over 94 total acres. The council is

looking to form an OA Service Corps once more with a threefold purpose: help in the program areas, run concessions, and assist with general service. There is a hope to have a hundred Arrowmen who will get the full benefits of being a staff member while representing the council. Registration has not opened yet, but the theme is “Game On,” which will have a focus on video and board games. They are also looking for youth to assist with the actual planning of the event.

### **Inductions (John S.)**

#### Ordeal (Michael G.)

There will be online training for Elenagomats on March 22nd and April 12th at 7 p.m. on both days; there are also pre-recorded sessions for those who cannot make it. A special Elangomat patch will be mailed to everyone who served in 2021.

#### Brotherhood (John S.)

The committee, which is looking for people to join, is getting ready for the season in spring. There will be a Brotherhood ceremony event on April 3rd at Greene Valley Campground.

#### Vigil (John S.)

The 2022 Vigil nominations are now open, and any member can nominate youth and adults for Vigil. The committee will handle checking eligibility.

#### Ceremonies (John S.)

There will be an in-person practice before the next LEC.

### **Communications (Eli L.)**

#### Publications (Eli L.)

The Year in Review was a resounding success, and many people enjoyed it at the Winter Banquet. The committee requests that attendees please send in pictures from the Winter Banquet.

#### Website (Tim R.)

There is now a vacancy for chairman. It is an easy position to fill and will have a lot of guidance. Members can find pictures from 2021 events at [oa7.org/Photos](http://oa7.org/Photos).

### **NOAC 2022 (Scotty C.)**

The committee is still awaiting proofs for the delegate and fundraiser flaps, but they will be emailed out once received and will be added to the trading post. The fundraiser patch is a picture of the Bean with the Chicago skyline behind it. NOAC will be from July 24th to the 30th at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and will be a lot of fun. There will be cool special events, shows, vendors, and is a great place to get free stuff. The shows will top the ones from 2018. Promotional materials are being sent to chapter officers soon. The lodge contingent consists of 34 people so far. The lodge will once again be having the gummy bear fundraiser.

### **Vice Chief of Finance Election**

Scotty Conley was nominated to be Vice Chief of Finance. He was provided a one-minute speech, in which he detailed his plans to develop more chapter resources and reinvigorate merchandising. He also noted that while he is not good at math, he has a nice calculator.

Ben M. motions with Alex H. seconding to appoint Scotty Conley as Vice Chief of Finance  
Passed unanimously by voice vote

### **Open Forum**

#### Scouting for Food (Seth S.)

While there are currently no official plans to help with Scouting for Food, the lodge does traditionally encourage chapters to help their districts.

#### Lodge Planning Meetings (Seth S.)

After discussion, the lodge decided to host an additional meeting dedicated to planning lodge events and programs. It is hoped to provide a solid, consistent time for event committees to meet and encourage Arrowmen to join committees and help plan events. It will be held after LEC, but only quarterly. It was noted that committees should still be meeting additionally outside of this time.

#### Lodge Service Award Updates (Tim R.)

There were suggested changes to who can sign off on requirements, add adult OA Rep and Inductions categories, and add youth camp staff category. There was a change to what will be awarded upon subsequent completions: device instead of additional lodge flaps.

Tim R. motions with Davu H. seconding to adopt the above changes to the Lodge Service Award effective immediately

Passed unanimously by voice vote with one abstention

#### National Chief Lodge Flaps (Tim R.)

It is traditional for the lodge to make special lodge flaps for a National Officer for them to hand out and the lodge to sell. Takhone will receive a couple hundred to sell in the trading post.

Tim R. presented his proposed artwork that included symbolism for him. There will be three different designs made: a grey border to be sold, a gold border to be handed out by Tim, and a red border with the night sky to also be gifted but rarer.

Tim R. motions with Sophia M. seconding to approve artwork for National Chief Lodge Flaps.

Passed unanimously by voice vote

### Merchandise (Scotty C.)

The new VC Finance is looking for a merchandising chairman.

### Haunted Hike (Mr. Pinkus)

The committee is looking for a chairman but has someone in mind. Once the location is confirmed, planning will begin. This year, the lodge is hoping to get more chapters involved, and there may be further discussion at the February Planning Meeting.

### Miscellaneous Motions

Tim R. motions with Matthew O. seconding to amend the December LEC minutes to correct the misspelling of “Takhone,” “Checaugau,” and “Findley.”

Passed unanimously by voice vote

Eli L. motions with John S. seconding that Mathew Gerber smells.

Passed unanimously by voice vote

### **Lodge Adviser Minute (Brian S.)**

Brian recognized Eli L. for receiving the Lodge Service Award. He emphasized the current focus on WCOC and unit visitations. It was noted that unit elections are how the lodge gets new members and promotes the OA.

### **Lodge Chief Minute (Seth S.)**

Seth thanked everyone for coming to the first LEC of the year and the Winter Banquet. He is looking forward to seeing everyone once more at the February LEC and Planning Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned with a singing of the OA song at 3:27 p.m.