



# TAKHONE LODGE ORDER OF THE ARROW

## Takhone Lodge #7 March 2022 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting

**Welcome – Seth S. ([lodgechief@oa7.org](mailto:lodgechief@oa7.org))**

The March Lodge Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 2:08.

**Roll Call – Katie H. ([vccommunication@oa7.org](mailto:vccommunication@oa7.org)), Matthew O. ([website@oa7.org](mailto:website@oa7.org)) representing**

A quorum was achieved.

8/10 chapters represented

### **Seth's Icebreaker**

Scouts and adults in attendance stood up in response to various questions.

### **Old Business**

- Amendments proposed to last month's minutes: make vigil section of Inductions Committee Report its own section, make the Owasippe Fellowship section of the Program Committee Report its own section, and change the erroneous discount code listed for Conclave to the correct one (takhone7off)
- February minutes approved with revisions
  - Motioned by Ben M.
  - Seconded by Macey K.
    - Passed unanimously by voice vote

### **Operations - Michael M. ([vcoperations@oa7.org](mailto:vcoperations@oa7.org))**

- Please send any photos from OSR last summer or Betz to Michael for Camp promos to [camppromotions@oa7.org](mailto:camppromotions@oa7.org)
- Talk to Michael if you are interested in OA Rep program
- PMP
  - Good majority of elections are scheduled, reach out to Michael if you are having difficulty reaching out to remaining units
  - Make sure to submit paperwork and information to Lodgemaster and [oa7.org/elections](http://oa7.org/elections)
  - Keep in touch with unit leaders at roundtable for any questions
- Dues
  - PMP requires 80% retention
  - Make sure to explain the importance of paying dues to non-dues paid members
  - You must pay your dues before you can attend any Lodge events

### **Program Report - Chris K. ([vcchapters@oa7.org](mailto:vcchapters@oa7.org))**

- LLD report (Michael M.)

- LLD went well, wifi at Betz is better than in Park Ridge (according to Michael)
- Make sure to attend next month's LLD in April: Goal Setting and Time Management
- Potawatomi Hike Report – Saul C.
  - Food for concessions
- Betz Fellowship Report – Davu S.
  - Nothing new to report
  - Fellowship will be lumberjack themed
  - Registration is open: [scoutingevent.com/456-56547](https://scoutingevent.com/456-56547)
- Owassippee Fellowship Report – Macey K.
  - Will take place at Camp Blackhawk
  - Registration is now live: [scoutingevent.com/456-56548](https://scoutingevent.com/456-56548)
  - Luau-themed hodag, all of Sunday will be dedicated to waterfront fun
  - If you know any registered lifeguards, ask them to reach out to ([maceykrull@gmail.com](mailto:maceykrull@gmail.com))
  - Lodge Elections are scheduled for Sunday morning after breakfast
- If you would like to chair any events over the summer, reach out to Chris

### Chapter reports - Marty K. ([vcchapters@oa7.org](mailto:vcchapters@oa7.org))

- Trailblazer
  - Good progress with elections
  - Goal of reaching 80% retention
  - Nice rebound attendance at March chapter meeting
- Tri-Star
  - Cub Scout klondike was a relative success
  - Had an air hockey tournament at
  - Working on Camporee at Rainbow Scout Reservation
- Thunderbird
  - Most elections are coming up, nothing else to report
- Tallgrass
  - No representative
- Prarie Dunes
  - Last meeting was productive at planning for camporee and conclave
- Portage Creek
  - Celebrated St. Patrick's Day
  - Collecting used uniforms and camping gear for those who need it
  - Began Scouting for Food
  - Elections coming up
- Iron Horse
  - Good turn out, had pizza and played games
  - Unit elections coming up, next meeting on Tuesday
- Five Creeks
  - Talked about unit elections
  - Brainstormed ideas for booth at haunted hike
- Checaugau
  - Nothing to report

- Calumet
  - Finishing up elections
- Week of service from May 7 to May 29
  - Patches have been ordered and will be sold to fundraise for week of service
  - Funds will go to chapters to assist with their service projects
  - Please email service ideas to Marty ([vcchapters@oa7.org](mailto:vcchapters@oa7.org))
  - Make sure to continue promoting Potawatomi hike (helpers are needed)

### **Inductions Report - John Salata ([vcinductions@oa7.org](mailto:vcinductions@oa7.org))**

- Inductions season is right behind the corner
- Ordeal Committee Report – Michael G.
  - If you are interested in serving as an elangomat, see links in Lodge weekly email (March 22 and April 12)
  - Virtual version of training will also be available
  - Please encourage newly elected Scouts to complete their Ordeal
- Brotherhood Committee Report – Emilyn C.
  - New nimats were trained
  - Brotherhood day on Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at Goodenow Grove
  - Brotherhood ceremonies will also be available at Conclaves and every week of Summer Camp at OSR
- Vigil Committee Report
  - Thank you for all the nominations
  - If you receive a request for more information regarding a nomination, please respond to the best of your ability
- Ceremonies Report – Danny S. ([ceremonies@oa7.org](mailto:ceremonies@oa7.org))
  - We need more ceremonialists
  - Meetings are on Mondays
    - If you can't attend due to Troop meetings, contact Danny and he can fill you in

### **Finance Report - Scotty C. ([vcfinance@oa7.org](mailto:vcfinance@oa7.org))**

- New belt buckles will be available soon in the style of the 2021 dues-paid flap, year removed
- Please join trading post committee if interested!

### **Communications Report – Katie H. ([vccommunication@oa7.org](mailto:vccommunication@oa7.org)), Matthew O. representing**

- Not much new to report
- We are still looking for content creators for our social media pages, contact [vccommunication@oa7.org](mailto:vccommunication@oa7.org) if interested.
- Publications Chair ([publications@oa7.org](mailto:publications@oa7.org))
  - Please send pictures from Chapter meetings and other events to Eli
  - If you are an event chair, look out for an email from Eli

### **NOAC Report – Scotty C. ([noac@oa7.org](mailto:noac@oa7.org)), Seth S. representing**

- Registration is now closed for NOAC as of March 1<sup>st</sup>
- 79 registered for NOAC

- NOAC patch designs are pretty much ready for approval and available in the LEC slack channel ([oa7.slack.com](https://oa7.slack.com))
- For the Metra flap, the silver background will be removed and better match the bottom part
- Motion to pass the NOAC patch set
  - Curtis P. motions
  - Henry S. seconds
    - Motions passes unanimously
- Gummy Bear fundraiser for NOAC
  - Reach out to Seth S. or Brian Schaeffer at LEC or any Lodge Event

### Open Forum

- Reach out to Michael if you are going to be at Owasippe if you would like to assist with OA program at Summer Camp
- This past weekend was the first NLS for Gateway region; Eli encourages everyone to attend NLS (for youth and young adults) and DYLC (for adults)
- National has released new, revised ceremonies, which can be accessed at: [oa-bsa.org/resources/inductions/ceremony-texts](https://bsa.org/resources/inductions/ceremony-texts)
  - The ceremonies are safeguarded; password information can be found at: [oa-bsa.org/safeguarded-material](https://oa-bsa.org/safeguarded-material)
- Bean NOAC flap and Tim Reiss national flaps are available on the online trading post!

### Staff Adviser Minute – Mr. Wes Weems ([wesley.weems@scouting.org](mailto:wesley.weems@scouting.org))

- Our first obligation is to our Troop and the strongest ideal in the BSA is the passing down of service
- April 2<sup>nd</sup> and April 9<sup>th</sup>, we have Scouting for Food; make sure to participate with your Troop, Crew, Ship, Chapter and ensure that they are engaged with this great opportunity

### Lodge Adviser Minute – Mr. Brian Schaeffer ([lodgeadvisor@oa7.org](mailto:lodgeadvisor@oa7.org))

- Lots of opportunities to get outside to camp in the upcoming Spring season

### Lodge Chief Minute – Seth S.

- Pot hike at the City West Shelter
  - Volunteers are needed
- April 2<sup>nd</sup> and April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 is the April LLD (goal-setting)
- Conclave in Oconomowoc, WI with a Space Theme
- Seth encourages all Chapter Chiefs and Arrowmen to take to heart a “Year of Service”
  - Goal of 1 service project that helps the community and 1 service project that helps a forested area

Meeting adjourned at 3:13, followed by the singing of “The Order of the Arrow Song” and the first quarterly planning meeting.