



# TAKHONE LODGE ORDER OF THE ARROW

## Takhone Lodge 7 – February 5th, 2023 – LEC Meeting

Welcome – Michael M. ([lodgechief@oa7.org](mailto:lodgechief@oa7.org))

The February Lodge Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 2:05 PM

Roll Call – Matthew O. ([vccommunication@oa7.org](mailto:vccommunication@oa7.org))

<b>Lodge Chief</b> – Michael M.		<b>Trailblazer</b> – Emilyn C.	<i>Austin R. rep.</i>
<b>VC Operations</b> – Scotty C.		<b>Tri-Star</b> – Will K.	
<b>VC Program</b> – Macey K.		<b>Thunderbird</b> – Jackson O.	<i>Saul C. rep.</i>
<b>VC Chapters</b> – Davu H-S		<b>Tallgrass</b> -- James B.	<i>Chris K. rep.</i>
<b>VC Inductions</b> – Michael G.	<i>Wyatt A. rep</i>	<b>Prairie Dunes</b> – Elijah W.	<i>Absent</i>
<b>VC Communication</b> – Matthew O.		<b>Portage Creek</b> – Benny K.	<i>Emily B. rep.</i>
<b>VC Finance</b> – Stasiu S.		<b>Iron Horse</b> – Matthew P.	
A quorum ( $\geq 4/7$ of Key 7 present) was achieved 8/10 Chapters represented		<b>Five Creeks</b> – Joey A.	<i>Macey K. rep.</i>
		<b>Checaugau</b> – Alex H.	
		<b>Calumet</b> – Jacob H.	<i>Absent</i>

### Old Business

- Revisions to last month’s minutes: added “to” to the Winter Banquet committee report and corrected the spelling of “congradulations”
- Davu H-S. motions to approve last month’s minutes with above revisions
  - Stasiu S. seconds
    - Approved unanimously by voice vote

### Operations Report – Scotty C. ([vcoperations@oa7.org](mailto:vcoperations@oa7.org))

- Unit Elections
  - 2 trainings have taken place over the past few months
  - 35% of units have scheduled their elections
  - Every chapter must have a unit elections chair
  - NEW: elected candidates now have 18 months to complete their Ordeal as opposed to 24 months
  - Elections training materials will be updated tonight
  - Be prompt when responding to units
- OA Rep
  - Pre-LEC event at the April LEC
- Camp Promo
  - Finalizing materials
- PMP

- Data sheet with current status was handed out
- Current unit elections completion is 62%
- John S. has contacted all the Chapter Chiefs to meet with him to discuss PMP
- Dues
  - Pay your dues before March 1<sup>st</sup>, and receive a free, special-edition Lodge Flap

### **Program Report – Macey K. ([vcprogram@oa7.org](mailto:vcprogram@oa7.org))**

- LLD – Dehla M. ([trainingadviser@oa7.org](mailto:trainingadviser@oa7.org)), Macey K. rep.
  - Fun training experience and a patch
  - Lock-in at St. Louis de Marillac Church in La Grange Park
  - Registration is open!
- Potawatomi Hike – Jacob S. ([PotawatomiHike@oa7.org](mailto:PotawatomiHike@oa7.org)), Macey K. rep.
  - 9-12 am at City West Shelter
  - Arrowmen will be teaching Cub Scout and Scouts BSA hiking requirements
  - Concessions will be offered
  - Encourage Cub Scout dens to attend, especially if you're a den chief!
  - \$10 for parking and \$5 for a patch
- Spring Fellowship – Salma H. ([BetzFellowship@oa7.org](mailto:BetzFellowship@oa7.org))
  - Theme is Space Disco!
  - Registration is open for the Spring Fellowship
- Owasippe Fellowship – Emily B. ([OwasippeFellowship@oa7.org](mailto:OwasippeFellowship@oa7.org))
  - Theme is Pirates

### **Chapter Reports – Davu H-S ([vcchapters@oa7.org](mailto:vcchapters@oa7.org))**

- Calumet
  - Had a highly attending chapter meeting
  - Planning for Spring Camporee
- Checaugau
  - Decent attendance at last chapter meeting
- Five Creeks
  - Worked on unit elections teams at last meeting
  - Possible bowling event
  - Next chapter meeting will be February 14<sup>th</sup> and will be handing out Valentines
- Iron Horse
  - Worked on unit elections
  - Next election will be on February 21<sup>st</sup>
- Portage Creek
  - Going to archery shooting in Forest Park on February 15<sup>th</sup>
  - Chapter Conservation Project on February 26<sup>th</sup> from 1-3:30 Little Red School House in Willow Springs
  - Still collecting uniforms for Portage Creek Chapter closet
- Prairie Dunes
  - No representative
- Tall Grass

- Watched the Unit Elections video
- Did a snowball exchange
- Next chapter meeting will be February 15
- Thunderbird
  - Went over elections and gathered teams
  - Need to schedule a few more elections
  - Next meeting is March 2nd
- Tri-Star
  - Split up old BSA uniforms from the '70s
- Trailblazer
  - Unit Elections teams have been assigned
  - Next meeting is February 8<sup>th</sup> at the United Methodist Church (Palatine)

### **Inductions Report – Michael G. ([vcinductions@oa7.org](mailto:vcinductions@oa7.org)), Wyatt A. representing**

- Ordeal – Wyatt A. ([elangomat@oa7.org](mailto:elangomat@oa7.org))
  - Nothing to report
- Brotherhood – Henry S. ([brotherhood@oa7.org](mailto:brotherhood@oa7.org))
  - March Brotherhood day on March 26<sup>th</sup> at Greene Valley Forest Preserve
- Ceremonies – Ben M. ([ceremonies@oa7.org](mailto:ceremonies@oa7.org))
  - Finalizing 2 ceremonies awards
  - Next meeting is February 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM
  - February is symbolism month!
- Vigil ([vigil@oa7.org](mailto:vigil@oa7.org))
  - Nominate people for Vigil!
  - Don't worry about specific details when filling out the nomination form

### **Communication Report – Matthew O. ([vccommunication@oa7.org](mailto:vccommunication@oa7.org))**

- Social Media – Jill H. ([socialmedia@oa7.org](mailto:socialmedia@oa7.org)), Matthew O. rep.
- Publications – Grace S. ([publications@oa7.org](mailto:publications@oa7.org)), Matthew O. rep.
  - Working on the Winter Newsletter which will be sent out at the end of March
- Website – Sai V. ([website@oa7.org](mailto:website@oa7.org)), Matthew O. rep.
  - Please contact Sai if you need anything updated on the website

### **Finance Report – Stasiu S. ([vcfinance@oa7.org](mailto:vcfinance@oa7.org))**

- Budget is looking good
- No new merchandise for the rest of the year
- Northern Tier flap is HERE!
- Jamboree Flap has been designed and is in the Slack
- Scotty complains about the stupid new Scouts BSA uniform
- Chris K. motions to approve the new Jambo flap
  - Alex H. seconds
    - Approved by voice vote

### **General Forum**

- WCOG was a success and a fun time
- Conclave sign-up is coming
  - Goal of 100 people because we are hosting next year
- St. Louis NLS is from March 17-19
  - Talk to Michael M. if you need a ride
  - If you are a youth, complete the NLS scholarship to attend for free
- Be prompt and professional when responding to and attending unit elections
- Next month's LEC meeting will be at Put Shack in Oakbrook
  - Indoor mini-golf
  - Still working to confirm the event and date
- Lodge Service Award pins are now available for those who have received the award multiple times

### **Open Forum**

- Haunted Hike theme submissions (HH committee will determine the theme)
  - Cosmic Horror: scary aliens, alien invasion
  - Takhone at the movies: every tent would be a different aspect of movies and movie theaters
  - Medieval
  - Around the world
  - Nightmare Before Christmas
  - Primal human fear
  - IRS – W2 Bugaloo: scary tax forms and government civil service workers
  - Circus gone wrong: clown

### **Staff Adviser Minute – Mr. Wes Weems ([staffadviser@oa7.org](mailto:staffadviser@oa7.org))**

- Congratulations to Trailblazer Chapter for scheduling 100% of elections
- Sign up for LLD – this will help us improve activation and get more members

### **Lodge Adviser Minute – Mr. Pat Wilson ([lodgeadvisor@oa7.org](mailto:lodgeadvisor@oa7.org))**

- It's time to broaden our circle
- Reach out to your friends in the OA who are not involved
- Think of 5-10 people you can reach out to and see if they can come out to an event this Spring

### **Lodge Chief Minute – Michael M. ([lodgechief@oa7.org](mailto:lodgechief@oa7.org))**

- Take some time to reflect on your current position in the Lodge and what you want to do next year
- Invest in yourself: go to LLD, NLS, and our spring events

Meeting adjourned at 3:07, followed by the singing of "The Order of the Arrow Song".