

Nentico Lodge 12
Executive Committee Meeting
Minutes – September 25, 2023, 7 - 8pm
Baltimore Area Scout Office - Wyman Park, Baltimore MD

1. Opening

- a. Pledge
- b. Obligation
- c. Quorum-Met
 - i. Chief – ✓
 - ii. Vice Chief of Inductions – ✓
 - iii. Vice Chief of Finance - ✓
 - iv. Vice Chief of Program – ✓ (virtually)
 - v. Vice Chief of Service - ✓
 - vi. Vice Chief of Communications - ✓
 - vii. Arrowhead - ✓
 - viii. Carroll – ✓
 - ix. Fort McHenry – ✓
 - x. Gunpowder Falls - ✓
 - xi. Harford – ✓
 - xii. National Pike – ✓
 - xiii. River Hawk - X Adult Only

2. Reports

- a. Officers
 - i. Chief –
 - ii. Vice Chief of Inductions –.
 - iii. Vice Chief of Pro/gram
 - iv. Vice Chief of Service - Introduction of new vice chief of service (Matt Gutberlet)
 - v. Vice Chief of Communications - Introduction of new vice chief of communications (Norman Bergin)
 - vi. Vice Chief of Finance - New proposal announced to increase dues by \$5, to make a total of \$25. This proposal will be voted on at the General Lodge Meeting at Fall Fellowship.
- b. Chapters
 - i. Arrowhead - has had 2 chapter meetings from the last LEC. Hosted a planning meeting for the ordeal and were in talks with the newly inducted ordeal members.
 - ii. Carroll – has had 1 chapter meeting. Hosted a Hammock Camping event. The chapter is requesting Elangomat and Staff for the next Ordeal.
 - iii. Fort McHenry – Attended a fireworks show and is going to the Orioles Game on Saturday following LEC.

- iv. Gunpowder Falls - Has held 1 chapter meeting since the last LEC. Helped host a successful ordeal. Is planning their next chapter meeting on 9/26.
- v. Harford – Has held 1 chapter meeting since the last LEC. Has hosted Elangomat Training.
- vi. National Pike – Assisted in hosting Ordeal 2 with Arrowhead chapter. 149 brothers attended the Ordeal, 81 brothers completed their Ordeal and 9 brothers completed their conversion to Brotherhood. Held 1 chapter meeting with 19 brothers in attendance. Held service by hosting a game night and collected school supplies for local elementary schools. Planning the next chapter meeting (10/15) with a Halloween theme and will be discussing lodge events. The chapter has held 23 unit elections and elected 97 youth. 478 hours of Service were reported in August. and there are 269 dues-paying brothers in the chapter.
- vii. River Hawk - Has held 1 chapter meeting since the last LEC with 33 brothers in attendance. The chapter supported the District at Merit Badge Mania. Supported the last Vigil for 2023. Performed service for the District at Webelo-o-ree. The chapter is planning their next meeting as a corn maze.

c. Committees

- i. First Year Arrowman – requested representatives from each chapter. Fort McHenry, National Pike, and Gundpowder Falls have sent representatives. The new program will be utilized during Ordeal 1 in 2024.
- ii. Membership - there are currently 1,219 dues- paying members, 451 youth, 142 young adults, and 626 adults. In 2023 at this time there were 1,358 dues-paying members, 668 youth and 689 adults. There have been 191 newly inducted members, 74 brotherhood conversions (18.14%), 118 candidates are registered for the upcoming ordeal. This puts us 7 points shy of reaching thriving status.
- iii. OA Unit Outreach - no report
- iv. Special Events - Report on a successful 75th anniversary event. Lodge provided Service by cleaning bathrooms, taking out trash, and hosted a promotion table regarding the OA and NOAC.
- iii. NOAC – Reported a cost decrease from \$2,000 to \$1,450. To register for the event, a \$100 deposit is required. Additional NOAC promotions.
- iv. Health and Safety - 2 first aid cases at Ordeal 2, 1 first aid cases at Ordeal 3.

3. Old Business

- a. 75th anniversary - had 1058 BSA members in attendance.
- b. Ordeals - inducted 191 members this year with one more ordeal to go
- c. Minutes - Minutes were approved, with an amendment that the vice chief of inductions was in attendance.

4. New Business
 - a. There was a display of the campfire fundraiser patch, three designs for a gold border and silver border in an auction.
 - b. Fall Fellowship advertisement. October 6-8th. No training and all activities.
 - c. NOAC Theme - seek new heights. Price dropped from the \$2000 price tag to \$1450. Patch design was displayed. Price includes round trip flights, round trip bus from Denver airport, lodge hat, contingent patch, trader patch. will not lock in patch designs until January but the fundraiser patch set is going to come out asap. The theme of the patches will be Pirates based.
5. Youth/adult split
 - a. Adult -
 - i. Meeting Minutes are now being posted on the Lodge Website.
 - ii. The 2024 Calendar is up on the website and the 2025 calendar is being worked.
 - iii. Parent orientation suggestion was brought up for Friday night of ordeals. Informational call 2 weeks before the ordeal, starting to get youth/adult engagement with a little bit of engagement
 - iv. Chad Geist and Ray Payne are working to get service hours entered into lodge master.
 - v. A request from the first year arrowman committee to ensure that districts can be promoted to the first year arrowman.
 - b. Youth
 - i. NOAC patch design has been approved. Updates include branding designs
 - ii. Sock designs have been approved at 200 pairs, of each design. Maryland flag throughout the sock
 - iii. Discussion of bucket hats and resin pins, tabling approval until next patch approval
 - iv. Fall Fellowship schedule was discussed and encouraging promotion and registration.
6. Closing
 - a. Chief
 - b. Adviser
 - c. Staff Adviser
 - d. Song