

**Nendawen Lodge 618 Lodge Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
September 17, 2005**

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1) Approval of August 14 2005 Minutes

A motion was made by Brian McQueen to approve last LEC Meeting's minutes. The motion was seconded by Jin Kochman. The motion was approved 6-0.

2) Lodge Officer Reports

Dance Team Vice-Chief - Jonathon Chambers - He has been sending out letters to people who said they were interested in joining.

Lodge Chief - James Kane - He went to the last Council of Chiefs and they discussed themes for Conclave next year. The lodge members will have to bring their own cots. The cost of Conclave will be \$30. Also next year, our lodge will have a section visitation.

OLD BUSINESS

3) Mahonegon Donation

At the March 12 LEC, the LEC decided to donate up to \$600 for the purchase of new GPS systems for Camp Kootaga. A discussion about whether to donate the same amount of money to Camp Mahonegon was tabled. Jake Shifflett has volunteered to go to the Camp Mahonegon Service Committee Meeting and find out towards what camp project they would like us to donate money. A decision will be made at a later date on the donation to Mahonegon.

One Day of Service

Jay Wilson is going to find out information about the North Bend winter activities and see if the lodge could help with them.

NEW BUSINESS

4) Lodge Rules

As per the Lodge Rules, any proposed amendments to the By-Laws must be presented in writing to the LEC at least one month before the lodge may vote to pass them. Brian McQueen and Rick Cox presented the following amendments to the LEC at this time:

i) Section II. Article C.

Unit elections shall take place between the first day of March and the last day of May.

A motion was made by Jim Kochman and was seconded by Michael Chambers to pass this amendment. The motion passed 6-0.

ii) Section III. Article A.

The officers of this lodge shall be lodge chief, lodge vice-chief, chapter chiefs (one for each chapter), ceremonies vice-chief, dance team vice-chief, and the elangomat vice-chief. These elected officers must be younger than 21 during the entire term of office.

[The purpose of this amendment is to have the lodge vice-chief absorb the secretary treasurer's position]

A motion was made by Jim Kochman and was seconded by Brian McQueen to pass this amendment. The motion was denied, 0-6.

iii) Amendment 1

The lodge totem shall be that of a bear holding a salmon.

A motion was made by Jim Kochman and was seconded by Brian McQueen to pass this amendment. The motion passed 6-0.

iv) Amendment 2

In the event that a secretary/treasurer is not elected into position, the lodge vice-chief may assume those responsibilities until a willing arrowman can be found to assume the responsibilities.

[This amendment was an alternate to the amendment to Section III. Article A.]

A motion was made by Jim Kochman and was seconded by Jake Schifflett to pass this amendment. The motion passed 6-0.

v) Amendment 3

Order of the Arrow merchandise cannot be purchased from this lodge by non-dues-paid Order of the Arrow members or by non Order of the Arrow members.

A motion was made by Jim Kochman and was seconded by Jake Shifflett to pass this amendment. The motion passed 6-0.

vi) Amendment 4

In order to purchase lodge flaps of a specific honor from this lodge, the member purchasing the lodge flap must be of that honor or of a higher honor.

A motion was made by Jim Kochman and was seconded by Jake Shifflett to pass this amendment. The motion passed 6-0.

5) Ceremonies

An idea was presented to the LEC to provide the each member of the ceremonies team with a copy of the ceremonies in a nice 3 ring binder. A concern was whether or not to include the Brotherhood ceremony in the binder for those who had not received the Brotherhood honor. The general consensus was "no."

6) Winter Banquet

There will be a slide show during dinner at the Winter Banquet recapping the year. The officers were reminded that they will have to present a report at the Banquet. There will also be a PowerPoint presentation about the Lodge By-Laws at the Banquet.

7) Spring Fellowship

This year's Spring Fellowship did not work out very well. The LEC wanted to decide whether or not to have another one next year. The discussion continued to get sidetracked, and went on a venue about Brotherhood ceremonies at Fall Fellowship. The ceremonies team does not have an opportunity to enjoy the Fall Fellowship as much as they should because of their responsibilities as ceremonies team members. Both ceremonies advisors expressed an interest in not continuing to do Brotherhood ceremonies at Fall Fellowship. Because the LEC was pressed for time, Brian McQueen motioned to table the discussion. The motion was seconded by Jake Shifflett, and was passed 6-0.

During more discussion about the possibility of another Spring Fellowship, the LEC was sidetracked again and few ideas were tossed around about reward systems for service hours. One idea was to institute a card system for the purchase of lodge flaps, and another was to do Workhorse Weekends. The discussion was hurried and will be discussed at a later date.

A motion was made by Brian McQueen and seconded by Jim Kochman to have another Spring Fellowship in 2006 at Camp Kootaga, but only if there was a loose agenda and prior communication with the camp ranger about it being a fellowship weekend, not a work weekend. The motion passed 6-0.

8) Spring Ordeal

Earlier in this year or last, we aren't quite sure, it was decided that all Spring Ordeals should be held at Camp Mahonegon. Since there was no Secretary/Treasurer at the time, nothing went on record. A motion was made by Jim Kochman and seconded by Brian McQueen to have Spring Ordeals at Camp Mahonegon. The motion passed 6-0.

9) Website

James Kane, due to time conflicts, will not be able to update the lodge web site as often as it should. He is currently looking for someone to take over the position.

10) Nominations

The LEC is allowed to nominate a slate of potential officers for the election at the Winter Banquet. The following people were nominated at this time:

Jacob Shifflett nominated Jim Kochman for the position of Highland Chapter Chief. Jim accepted the nomination.

Jim Kochman nominated Jacob Shifflett for the position of Troop Relations Vice-Chief. Jacob accepted the nomination.

11) Open Forum

James Kane - "I hope nobody kills anybody else tonight."

Jim Kochman - "These Certs taste good."

Bill Gray - "3 + 3 = 6"

Brian McQueen "This spoon is too big!"

Brian McQueen made a motion to close, which was seconded by Michael Chambers. It passed 6-0.

The meeting was adjourned and all present gathered in a circle and sang the song of our Order.

Thank you for a wonderful year Nendawen Lodge

Thank you Lodge Executive Committee 2005!

The next LEC meeting will be held in January.

Those in attendance were:

OFFICERS

James Kane - Lodge Chief

Brian McQueen - Lodge Vice-Chief/Secretary/Treasurer

Jim Kochman - Highland Chapter Chief

Jonathon Chambers - Dance Team Vice Chief

Adam Veit - Stonewall Jackson Chapter Chief

Michael Chambers - Blennerhassett Chapter Chief

Jacob Shifflett - Troop Relations Vice chief

ADVISORS

Jay Wilson - Lodge Advisor

Greg Midcap - Ceremonies Advisor

Larry Hostottle - Ceremonies Advisor

Bill Gray - Stonewall Jackson Advisor

Rick Cox - Blennerhassett Advisor

Jim Cox - Associate Lodge Advisor