

Blue Ox Lodge OA LEC Meeting Minutes

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rochester, MN

March 7th, 2020

1. Opening:

- a. Call to Order – 1:00 pm
- b. Pledge of Allegiance - Erik Strong
- c. Obligation - Mitchel Jay
- d. Quorum Call -
 - i. Officers / Chairs Present: Tyler Strong-Lodge Chief
 - ii. Advisers Present: Brian Reuss-Associate Lodge Advisor, Michael Wells-Lodge Staff Advisor, Eric Reuss-Unit Elections Advisor, Walt Borland-Associate Advisor, Chris Culuris-Communications Advisor, Tim Tofil-Service Advisor
 - iii. Members Present: Youth: John Smith- troop 232, Braedon Mengis-troop 80, Cody Neimann-troop 80, Erik Strong-troop 80, Mitchel Jay-troop 56, Tristan Knight-troop 56, Leland Jeardeau-troop 56 Adults: Steve Mengis-troop 80
 - iv. Approve December Minutes:
 - v. Approve January Minutes:
 - vi. Approve February Minutes:
 1. Did not Meet Quorum
- e. Reports -
 - i. Chief: Working on planning and events. Set up the By-Laws meeting and prepared the materials for it.
 - ii. VCOA:
 1. Ceremonies -
 2. Elangomat -
 3. Training -
 4. Awards -
 5. Service -
 6. Elections -
 - iv. Secretary/Treasurer:
 1. Registration and Membership -
 2. Trading Post -
 3. Communications -
 - v. Financial Report:
 - vi. Reimbursements:

2. Old Business:

- a. By-laws Meeting
 - a. How did it go?
 - i. Members would like to be better informed about how the lodge operates
- b. Budget
 - a. Need to add \$655 for the Friends of Scouting pledge. This is at \$5 per person- voted on at February LEC

3. New Business:

- a. Lodge Lock-in on March 27th from 7 pm to March 28th at 9 am
 - a. Location confirmed at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Rochester, MN

- b. Troop 80 committee brief presentation on activities- tournaments- cards: Hearts, Dice: Farkel, Video Game: Mario Kart, Board Game: Sorry
 - c. Select activities we want to do from list provide by Lock-in committee
 - d. Promotion
 - i. Don't forget to bring parts A and B of your medical form
- b. National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC)
 - a. Held at Michigan State University from August 3rd through the 8th
 - b. Registration cost is \$545.00 without transportation costs
 - c. This is a weeklong event where arrow men gather from all over the nation to participate in fun trainings and fellowship activities. You will get to meet arrow man from everywhere and get to create lifelong friendships. You will get to learn how lodges operate and function.
 - d. Need a \$100 down payment to secure your spot
 - e. We are looking at making merchandise such as patches and various other items
- c. Spring Merit Badge Fair on March 21st at Willow Creek Middle School in Rochester, MN
 - a. Trading post
 - i. Need help
 - b. Soda options- Root Beer, Mt. Dew, something Orange?, Sprite, Bottled Water, Coca cola, Diet Coke, Diet Mt. Dew, Dr. Pepper, anything else added or taken away?
 - c. Food options- Skittles. M and M's, Twix, Snickers, Milky Way, Reese's, and Kit Kat, anything else added or taken away? Food will be based on availability
- d. Spring Council of Chiefs/ACT Training from April 17-19 at Camp Decorah
 - a. Viewing the site and determining locations for all activities and final prep for Section Conclave
 - b. Would like all officers and conclave representative to be there
 - c. Remember, Blue Ox Lodge is Co-hosting
 - i. We are helping run and coordinate conclave
- e. Lodge Service Day May 9th at GSR
 - a. What are we doing this day for prep for the Mawenemen?
 - i. Transferring some materials such as regalia into the basement of Pheasant lodge
 - ii. Checking and prepping ceremony sites if needed
 - iii. Paint Blue Ox Tools with the blue spray paint
 - iv. Any other misc. items
- f. Spring Mawenemen from May 15th to May 17th at GSR
 - a. Food
 - i. What do we want?
 - b. Schedule of events
 - i. Afternoon clan games? /structured activities?
 - 1. 1 hour of structured activities and 1 hour of free time
 - 2. Ideas for the structured and free time:
 - a. Kickball, Capture the Flag, Horseshoes, Kuub, Gaga Ball, Cards, Chess, Charades or hangman for indoor activities in case it rains, trading post.

- c. Elangomats?
 - d. Ceremonies Crews?
 - e. Work Projects?
 - i. Start a list
 - g. Trading Post Items
 - a. Looking for new trading post items
 - b. Stickers
 - i. Look at possibly doing a generic OA sticker and Blue Ox Head sticker
 - c. CSP's
 - d. Anything else?
- 4. Closing:
 - a. Advisers' Minutes – Brian- Thanked everyone for coming
 - b. Chief's Minutes – Tyler- Thanked everyone for the participation and showing up to both the By-Laws Meeting and the LEC
 - c. Meeting Adjourned - 2:20 pm
 - d. OA Song – Tyler Strong

Next LEC will be held on April 19th, 2020 in the Admin Building at Gamehaven Scout Reservation