

L.E.C. Minutes, February 26, 2005

1. Roll Call: All chapters represented except Chisholm Trail and all Lodge Officers were presented

2. Chapter Reports: All present chapters reported their current and future activities

3. Committee Reports:

a. Zach Murray reported the status of Spring Fellowship. He has numerous activities planned. He needs more people to help. He also asked for the attendees to help promote attendance.

b. Section Conclave reported that they'd like to get people to sign up for the various competitions.

c. Ceremonies and Inductions committee needs a chairman.

d. Dripping Springs Ordeal is looking for ceremonies teams and dining hall staff. Members are encouraged to attend.

e. Slippery Falls Ordeal need youth volunteers to help. Contact Mark Dumas.

f. Camp George Thomas Ordeal needs a chairman.

g. Camp Sasakwa Ordeal has organized most of their staff. They're in need of ceremonies teams.

h. Camp Kickapoo Ordeal is looking for volunteers and ceremonies teams.

i. Brotherhood Opportunities. They will have twelve Brotherhood opportunities through the lodge this year, including multiple opportunities at Spring Fellowship and each Ordeal.

j. Service Committee is in the process of making a list of service projects.

k. Camping Committee will release the camping promo video around LLD2.

l. Vigil Committee is now requesting a letter of recommendation to be turned in with the nominating form for all Vigil nominees. Nominees will not be considered without a letter.

m. Community Service needs a chairman. The committee is looking to help with Scouting for Food and with Scoutreach.

n. Unit Elections needs a chairman.

o. NOAC announced that Austin Green is chairman. They're going to work on fund raising for next year's Michigan NOAC.

p. Shows is preparing shows for conclave. They are in need of actors who can devote several days to preparing the video.

q. Trading Post announced Anthony Reynolds is the chairman.

4. Business:

a. Lodge Plan Book. Several chapters turned in their chapter plan books.

b. Lodge budget is behind due to computer failures at the council office. They're rebuilding it using the receipts covering that previous month and a half of lost data.

c. Bronze Buffalo Award Ratio. It was moved that the current ratio of two awards/chapter be revised to one/fifty chapter members, with a minimum of two/chapter and half the awards being presented to youth. The motion passed.

d. Free Brotherhood Weekend. It was moved that there be a free brotherhood weekend. The motion passed. It was further moved that this be done at Fall Fellowship. The motion also passed.

e. Service Flap Design. A rough design for the new patch was shared with the attendees (see attachment). The design was approved by motion and vote of the LEC. It was decided that a separate committee would refine the final color design of the patch.

f. Endowment Funds. It was moved and passed that the Lodge investigate starting an endowment fund.

g. James E. West Endowment Fund. It was moved and passed that the Lodge give \$1000 to this endowment at the end of the year. It was uncertain whether this donation would be in addition to the Lodge's prior commitment to make a cash donation to the council.

h. Ceremonies Grant. It was moved and passed that the lodge shall grant ceremonies teams \$10 for each main induction ceremony performed. If a team is composed of members from more than one chapter, each chapter will receive \$2.50/participating member. These monies are designated to help the team members with ceremonies expenses.

i. New Lodge Rules. Chris Rogers proposed a new set of Lodge rules (see attachment). After discussion, the LEC voted that section III, paragraph A, subparagraph 3, line A be modified. Chris will make the change and introduce the proposed rules at the next General Business Meeting with a good recommendation from the LEC.

4. Other Business:

a. Service Budget. Eric Hollingshead moved that the service budget be \$1000 for service projects. Chapters can use these funds to work on camp properties provided they match the funds they use and have an approved budget for the project. The motion passed. Every chapter should do at least one camp service project this year.

Respectfully submitted by:

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