

Council of Chiefs Minutes
November 3, 2007
Transfiguration Lutheran Church in Columbia, SC

I. Call to Order

Mason Thomas, SR-5 Section Chief, called the meeting to order at 12:17 p.m. and led the Obligation of the Order.

Mason called upon Adam Kuykendall, SR-5 Section Vice Chief, to lead in prayer.

Joshua Hipps, SR-5 Secretary took roll. The attendance was as follows:

Atta Kulla Kulla Lodge

Garrett Riddle (for Joshua Hipps)
Tim Hunt

Bob White Lodge

Patrick Garcia
Johnny Garcia

Catawba Lodge

Michael Baker
Bill Kennedy

Eswau Huppeday Lodge

Peter McNulty
David Cody
Paul Beattie

Itibapishe Iti Hollo Lodge

HL Ruth
Timothy Grismer

Muscogee Lodge

Clay Johnson
Tripp Clark

Santee Lodge

Cameron Rainey
Howie Cullum

Skyuka Lodge

Wes Boone
Jon Humphries (for Clyde Davis)
Grant T. (for Ben Maulsby)
Richard Cash

Tomo Chi-Chi Lodge

Bryan White
Tommy Callaway (for Johnny Odom)

Tsali Lodge

Mitchell May
Dan Little

Unali'yi Lodge

Matthew Daniels
Daniel Barton
Mark Daniels

Section SR-5

Mason Thomas
Adam Kuykendall
Joshua Hipps
Garrett Riddle
Chris Browy
Caleb Nicholson
Greg Bajan
William McCormick
Mac McLean
Jonathan Hardin
Jay Widby
James Barton
Brad Hutto
David Surrett

Without objection, Mr. Mason Thomas moved the COC into the 2008 Dixie Fellowship Guidelines, Quest for the Golden Arrow proposal and called upon Caleb Nicholson, SR-5 Program Coordinator.

II. 2008 Dixie Fellowship Guidelines

A. Quest for the Golden Arrow

Mr. Caleb Nicholson moved to accept the Program Proposal for the 2008 Quest for the Golden Arrow with the following changes:

change part II.D.2.a to read as "Each lodge may enter one (1), four (4) to seven (7) man team.", change part II.D.4.e.i to read as "One match=no time reduction (matches must be lit one by one), change part II.D.5.a with the deletion of "may field" and replaced with "must field", change part II.D.9. from "twelve to eighteen (12-18) inch diameter" to read "sixteen to eighteen (16-18) inch", change part II.E.2.a from "six (6)" to "seven (7)", change part II.E.2.f from "six (6)" to "seven (7)", and for the addition of a part II.E.2.o to read "There will be a stall count of five (5) seconds, it is the opposing team's responsibility to count at a reasonable, slow pace."

Mr. Gregory Bajan seconded.

Mason called for a vote to accept the 2008 Quest for the Golden Arrow proposal as amended. Motion passes unanimously by a voice vote.

Mr. Nicholson asked for the lodges to pick the event they would be judging. They are as follows:

Skyuka—Arrow/Softball Throw
Eswau Huppeday—Knot Tying Relay
Atta Kulla Kulla— Chariot Race
Tsali—Canoe Race
Itibapishe Iti Hollo—Fire Building
Unali'yi—Tomahawk Throw
Santee—Cross-country
Catawba—Egg toss
Muscogee—Tent Pitching
Bob White—Archery
Tomo Chi-Chi—Rope Throw

Without object Mr. Thomas moved the Council into the American Indian Events proposal and called upon Mr. Chris Browy, 2008 American Indian Event coordinator.

B. American Indian Events

Mr. Chris Browy moved to accept the 2008 American Indian Events proposal with the following changes:

Addition of "Team sing and ceremonies teams will have the highest and lowest scores dropped." to page 21 prior to part III.A , change part III.A.4 from "5 judges" to "7 judges", change part III.B.2.a by the deleted of "100%", change part III.C.1.b to read as "Written documentation is required for each song. (Origin, tribe, source, etc.). Each lodge must provide eleven (11) copies of this documentation", addition of part III.C.1.k to read as

“Each must provide eleven (11) copies of a lodge resource page”, and change to part III.D.2.b.v to read as “A name, address, telephone number, of a contact person from the team is required. A resource page is required containing a background and source of information of group dance. Each team must produce eleven (11) copies of this resource page.”

Mr. Bajan seconded.

Mr. Matthew Daniels questioned Mr. Browy whether the resource page was required. Mr. Browy stated it must be provided and it clarified in the changes to read as “must provide eleven (11) copies.”

Mr. Peter McNoulty asked for clarification on the dropping of the scores. Mr. Browy stated the judges were increased to compensate for the dropping of the scores and the dropping of the scores is done to eliminate bias or drastically differing scoring.

Mr. Daniels stated that part III.D.1.e stated “Dropping a major article of clothing will result in disqualification.” He asked “what defines a major article?” Mr. Browy said, “Something like a bustle or a roach.” He continued that all judging is around NOAC guidelines and this is to the judge’s own discretion.

Mr. Kuykendall calls to question. Mr. Bajan seconds.

Mr. Thomas calls for vote by voice, motion unanimously passes. Without objection, Mr. Thomas moved the COC to pass the American Indian Events proposal with Mr. Browy’s stated changes by a voice vote; the motion passes unanimously.

Without objection Mr. Thomas moved the COC into the Administrative Events proposal and he called upon Mr. Garrett Riddle, 2008 Administrative Coordinator.

C. Administrative Events

Mr. Garrett Riddle moved to accept the 2008 Administrative Events proposal with the following changes:

deletion of p. 43 in its entirety, addition on page 42 part II of a section H. which will read “This guide, as presented, is made readily available to the council and shall be submitted with a written explanation of the means of distribution to the council and its subordinates.” this will also include an addition of a point scoring of “0 or 15”, and a deletion on p. 47 of “Totem Pole”.

Discussion opens by Mr. Daniels making a note that on page 45 it states “Pages contain no published phone numbers, addresses or e-mail addresses of any youth Arrowmen (Under 21).” He questioned whether this was National BSA policy. If so, he requested that the e-mails in the proposal be removed due to it being available via the SR5.org website. Mr. Mac McLean stated as far as National policy he was unsure, but he would know shortly.

Mr. Daniels makes a friendly amendment for the deletion of “Pages contain no published phone numbers, addresses or e-mail addresses of any youth Arrowmen (Under 21)” from page 45 of the proposal. Mr. Riddle declines the friendly amendment. Mr. Daniels makes a formal amendment for the deletion; seconded by Mr. Cameron Rainey. Mr. Daniels stated that if BSA National policy was unclear toward youth e-mails and the section provided e-mails on SR5.org, then the clause on the proposal should be removed. Mr. Riddle stated that the e-mails shown by the section are in acrobat files. He continued by saying “judges look at the website’s its content and information.” He said but it is the website that is judged, not the word documents and acrobat files provided on it. Mr. Kuykendall called to question. The COC unanimously decided

to end discussion. Without objection Mr. Thomas called a roll call vote on the amendment. The vote was as follows:

Garrett Riddle—No
Patrick Garcia—No
Michael Baker—No
Peter McNoulty—No
HL Ruth—No
Clay Johnson—No
Cameron Rainey—No
Wes Boone—No
Bryan White—No
Mitchell May—No
Matthew Daniels—Yes
Mason Thomas—No
Adam Kuykendall—No
Joshua Hipps—No

The Final vote was 1 in favor, 13 opposed, and 0 abstained. The amendment failed.

Mr. Thomas passes the gavel to Mr. Kuykendall and made a friendly amendment for the return of page 43 to the proposal. Mr. Thomas said that just because the totem pole is not going to count toward the lodge of the year, does not mean it will not be judge and an award will still be given. Mr. Riddle accepted. Mr. Kuykendall returns the gavel to Mr. Thomas.

Mr. White makes a friendly amendment to change section II. part 5 to read “Lodge provided all qualified judges required for Section competitions in which they compete in writing to the appropriate Section Coordinator before Dixie Fellowship judging begins.” Mr. Riddle accepts the friendly amendment. Mr. Rainey asks for Mr. White to restate the friendly amendment. Mr. White does so.

Mr. Browy makes a friendly amendment that Mr. Riddle’s addition to page 42 of “This guide, as presented, is made readily available to the council and shall be submitted with a written explanation of the means of distribution to the council and its subordinates” scoring to be “0-15” points instead of Mr. Riddle’s original “0 or 15”. Mr. Riddle questions Mr. Browy about the change. Mr. Browy states that fairness is at stake. Mr. Riddle rejected the friendly amendment.

Mr. Browy made a formal amendment to change “0 or 15” to “0-15” on page 42 part H. Mr. William McCormick seconded. Mr. Daniels brings up the point that once you judge what someone has wrote then “it begins to judge who wrote a better or longer sentence.” Mr. Browy reiterated that he just wanted what each lodge has done to provide the guide to be fairly judged. He continues that if a lodge does everything it can to provide the guide and make it readily available, only then they should receive 15. He said he wanted opinion to be reflected, not just yes or no. Mr. Daniels noted that the sized of the lodge also reflected what was achievable in making it availability.

Mr. Kuykendall called for question. By voice vote, the COC decided to end discussion. The COC moved to roll call vote. The vote was as follows:

Garrett Riddle—No

Patrick Garcia—Yes
Michael Baker—Yes
Peter McNoulty—No
HL Ruth—Yes
Clay Johnson—Yes
Cameron Rainey—Yes
Wes Boone—Yes
Bryan White—Yes
Mitchell May—No
Matthew Daniels—No
Mason Thomas—Abstained
Adam Kuykendall—No
Joshua Hipps—No

The Final vote was 7 in favor, 6 opposed, and 1 abstained. The motion failed.

Mr. McCormick made a formal amendment that on page 46 under section I, ArrowCorp5 participation be added to the National OA Conference section. Motion seconded by Mr. Bajan. The amendment went to vote by voice. The COC unanimously accepted the amendment. The Lodge of the Year form will now read as “Lodges sent a delegation of two or more to the National OA Conference (or other National program of emphasis), National Leadership Seminar within past two years, or has registered their quota of ArrowCorp5 participants for 2008.”

Without objection Mr. Thomas called for a short recess at 1:47 P.M.

The meeting resumed at 1:51 P.M.

Without objection Mr. Thomas moved to vote to accept 2008’s Administrative Event proposal with the previously stated changes. The COC unanimously accepted the proposal.

Without objection Mr. Thomas moved the COC into the Training Guidelines proposal and he called upon Mr. Adam Kuykendall, Section SR-5 Vice Chief.

D. Training Guidelines

Mr. Kuykendall (on behalf of Mr. Chris White, 2008 Training Coordinator) moved to accept the 2008 Training Proposal with the following changes:

On page 48 change “December 15, 2007” to “January 11, 2008”, change part V.C where it “March 16” on page 51 to “April 4”, change part V.A read with Tomo Chi-Chi be place on the bottom of the list to reflect proper Dixie rotation. Motion seconded by Mr. Bajan. With no objection, Mr. Thomas called for voice vote; motion pass unanimously.

Mr. Kuykendall asked lodges to choose their topics in Dixie rotation order. They chose as follows:

Skyuka—will submit a topic to Mr. White at a later time
Eswau Huppeyday—High Adventure & the OA
Atta Kulla Kulla—The OA at Summer Camp

Tsali—ArrowCorp5
Itibapishe Iti Hollo—The OA Troop Representative Program
Unal’yi—Induction Conduction
Santee—Cub Scouting and the OA
Catawba—I’m Brotherhood-Now What?
Muscogee— will submit a topic at a later time
Bob White— will submit a topic at a later time
Tomo Chi-Chi— will submit a topic at a later time

Mr. Kuykendall reminded the lodges that they had until March 14 to register and submit a complete syllabus to Mr. Chris White.

E. SR-5 Section Officer Elections Procedures

Mr. Mason Thomas moved to accept the 2008 Section Officer Elections and Procedures as presented with the following changes (Mr. Thomas called on Mr. Bajan to make the suggested changes):

Change part VI.C by having “be conducted at random” replace “in the order in which candidates were nominated.”

Mr. Bajan explained this is perfectly acceptable to National’s election policy and would better the elections process. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kuykendall. Mr. Rainey asked to hear the motion again. Mr. Bajan restated the above changes. The motion moved to vote by voice. The motion unanimously passed, accepting the updated Elections Procedures.

Without objection Mr. Thomas moved the COC into the Service Lodge proposal and he called upon Mr. Wes Boone (on behalf of Mr. RJ Plumley).

F. Service Lodge Information

Mr. Boone moved to accept the 2008 Service Lodge Proposal as presented with the following changes:

Change part I.A.15 to read “No open fires of any kind will be permitted, except for Quest Event activities”, change part I.B.3 from “\$1.00” to read as “\$2.00” for the participation pins, deletion in part I.B.12 of staff polo shirts”, change part I.B.12 to reflect 4 staff patches and 2 staff neckerchiefs throughout the part, change part I.F (the budget portion) to read as 1000 staff patches and 500 staff neckerchiefs and to also have the numbers to reflect this change in the budget.

Mr. Daniels asked for a clarification on the changes to the budget. Mr. Boone restated the number changes. The Council moved to accept the proposal. It was accepted unanimously.

Mr. Kuykendall moved to amend part I.B.2 to read as “Fan the Flame of Cheerful Service” instead of “I will always and faithfully observe and preserve the traditions of the Order of the Arrow.” Motion seconded by Mr. Bajan. A vote by voice was unanimous to accept the amendment.

Mr. Kuykendall moved to amend part I.B.4 to read as “2008” instead of “2007”; motion seconded by Mr. Bajan. The council moved to accept the amendment. Amendment passed unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Kuykendall moved to amend part I.C for the deletion of “Egg Toss” off of the schedule. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bajan. The COC moved to accept the amendment; amendment passed unanimously.

Mr. Kuykendall moved that the host lodge purchase 100 staff polo's. Mr. Bajan seconded. The COC accepted by voice vote.

Mr. Kuykendall moved that the staff polo's purchased cost no less than \$14 and be sold for \$25. He continued that the budget would reflect the figure changes. Mr. Daniels asked to clarification of the amendment. Mr. Kuykendall restated the proposed cost and sales price. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bajan.

Mr. Patrick Garcia asked about the increase in demand of neckerchiefs. Mr. Kuykendall stated that patches and neckerchief normally sale better in sets, therefore the demand will go up.

Mr. Daniels moved to reinstate the previously deleted part I.B.12 "staff polo shirts". Motion seconded by Mr. Bajan. The COC moved to vote and accepted the replacement of "staff polo shirts".

Mr. McCormick asked what to do about electricity for training events or any other needs. Mr. Boone simply requested being informed before hand.

Mr. Browy asked whether there would be a host drum. Mr. Boone said there would be one.

Mr. Nicholson asked about a pre-Dixie site visitation. Mr. Boone said there would be one, however the site is not owned by the BSA so schedule will have to be worked around them. He said that there would be e-mail sent out with the date at a later time.

Mr. Kuykendall asked where the host lodge could use more money to address the problem of excess income. Mr. Boone preferably another \$1000 in Logistics and the rest in the food budget. Mr. Kuykendall moved the amend part I.F to reflect Food Service as "28,264.99" and logistics as "18,000.00". The motion was seconded by Mr. Bajan. The COC moved to vote; the motion passed unanimously by voice.

Mr. Bajan moved to end discussion and accept the Service Lodge Proposal. This was with the condition that the COC would exchange the power to the Section Key-3 and the service lodge to change the proposal as they see fit. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kuykendall. The COC moves to accept the motion and it passes unanimously.

Mr. Kuykendall move that a clause be place in part IV at the end of the "Judges" section reading "The highest and lowest score will be removed in all administrative judged events." The motion was seconded by Greg Bajan. The COC moved to accept the clause; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. McCormick moved to have the prototype patches destroyed. The motion was seconded again by Mr. Bajan. The COC moved to accept the motion; motion passed by hand vote. The final vote was 13 favored, 1 opposed, and 0 abstained. All of the COC voted in favor of the destruction of the patch except for Mr. Kuykendall who opposed.

Mr. Daniels moved for the removal of the all e-mail address from the entire 2008 Dixie Proposal. The Council moved to vote by voice. The final vote was 2 in favor, 12 opposed, and 0 abstained. The motion failed.

Mr. Thomas moved the COC into the Old Business portion of the meeting without objection.

IV. Old Business

Mr. Thomas started by talking about the COC weekend. He said it is currently 2:02 P.M. and he has had fun. There was pizza and a fun time. He reminded everyone feel free to contact us.

Mr. Daniels asked when the proposal would be available and where. Mr. Thomas said it would be available in the next few weeks and would be on the website as well as sent via e-mail. Without objection, Mr. Thomas moved out of old business and into new business.

V. New business

Mr. Mac McLean began by talking about some of the details of the Lodge Recharter coming up. He reminded everyone to submit a quality lodge form even if you weren't going to get it. Also he noted to be mindful of the time it takes to cut a check.

Mr. Thomas informed everyone of a NLS coming up in Leesville, SC. He highly encouraged everyone who had not before to attend.

Mr. McCormick talked briefly about ArrowCorp5 and told everyone to see him for contact information.

Mr. Thomas, without objection, closed new business and called upon Mr. McLean for the Adviser's Minute.

VI. Adviser's Minute

Mr. McLean started by thanking everyone for all they do for their respective lodges. He continued that we consistently give one of the biggest conclaves every year. He said it would be the same without the people in the room. He thanked Skyuka Lodge and commented on the different type of event it will be due to the location. Mr. Thomas presented Mr. Mclean with the prototype patch which he destroyed at the conclusion of the meeting.

Mr. Thomas moved to adjourn the meeting following the OA song without objection. Mr. Thomas led the OA song and the meeting was adjourned at 2:36.