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Order of the Arrow — Section NE-3B
Council of Chiefs Meeting
Price Chopper Community Room, Schenectady, NY
October 26, 2002 — Meeting Minutes

I. Opening

Meeting called to order and opened with the Obligation of our Order, led by Chief Tyson Ford, at 10:02 a.m.

II. Roll Call

Lodges Present

Haudenosaunee #19
Half Moon #28
Ga-Hon-Ga #34
Otahnagon #172
Kayanernh-Kowa #219
Loon #364
Oteroraus #402

Section Officers & Advisers Present

Section Chief Tyson Ford
Section Vice-Chief George Stiefel
Section Secretary Peter Bird
Section Adviser Bob Black
Section Staff Adviser Tom Labayewski
Associate Section Adviser Wayne Farnsworth
Associate Section Adviser Bob Stickle

III. Secretary's Report

Review of minutes from June 7, 2002, and June 9, 2002 Council of Chiefs Minutes and June 9, 2002 Section Business Meeting minutes. Motion by Haudenosaunee to accept June 7, 2002, and June 9, 2002 Council of Chiefs Minutes and June 9, 2002 Section Business Meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Half Moon. Motion passed.

IV. Lodge Reports

Haudenosaunee #19 – Chief Tom Pettigrew

Currently having their Lodge Fall Fellowship and LLDC at Camp Rotary
Will be electing new officers at the conclusion of their banquet this evening

Half Moon #28 – Chief Andrew Czaplicki

Currently working on developing their Lodge Plan
Working on finishing up Quality Lodge requirements
Will attend the Section LLDC
Growing in membership; officers hope to become more active in section and region activities

Ga-Hon-Ga #34 – Chief Phil Hall

Had 60 members attend their recent Fall Fellowship
Planning a Winter Banquet for Jan. 4, 2003
Working on developing Lodge Plan
Hoping to earn Quality Lodge – depends on Brotherhood Conversion numbers

Otahnagon #172 – Chief Sean Murray

Had 80 members attend their Fall Fellowship on Sept. 13-15, 2002
Nearing completion of Quality Lodge requirements – Brotherhood conversion and LLDC still to be determined

Kayanernh-Kowa #219 – Treasurer Eric Nelson

Having problems with the Lodge Database that may prevent attaining Quality Lodge
Currently scheduling an LLDC and Officer’s Planning Meeting for Dec. 7, 2002
Had 80 members attend their Fall Fellowship Oct. 11-13, 2002
Hosted the Section Lodge Assistance Team Visitation on Oct. 13, 2002

Loon #364 – Vice-Chief Chris Wolcott

On track to receive Quality Lodge – 40% Brotherhood Conversion rate
Scheduling a LLDC for Dec. 10, 2002
Will send a delegation to the Section LLDC
Lodge Plan has been written. Is in the approval process now

Onteroraus #402 – Chief Josh Greenman

Sent a delegation of 20 brothers to NOAC this summer – was first in Lodge History display contest and received the Lodge Spirit Award
Had a Lodge Fellowship in August
Planning an event to be held at Cooperstown’s Fennimore House
On track to receive Quality Lodge

V. Old Business

Conclave 2002

Conclave Reports distributed to lodges and officers present
Tyson Ford highlighted the notes on the Evaluation page to improve this year’s conclave

VI. New Business

Conclave 2003 – August 22-24, 2003, Camp Russell, Woodgate, NY

Ga-Hon-Ga #34 Chief Phil Hall distributed a packet of preliminary information the Service Lodge put together about the Conclave

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary Budget • Three Patch Designs • Survey of Conclave 2002 Attendees • Menu 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schedule • Map of Camp • Registration Form • Promotional Flier
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Facilities Available:

- Waterfront
- Dining Hall
- Tents in campsites
- Program Center meeting room

Motion by Onteroraus to set the theme for the 2003 Conclave to “Feel the Fire.”

Seconded by Otahnagon. Motion passed.

Ga-Hon-Ga presented three possible patch designs, each shaped like an arrowhead and approximately 3” finished size

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Motion by Otahnagon to change the Indian of the first patch (dancer) to the Indian of the second patch (over the fire). Seconded by Kayanernh-Kowa. Motion passed.

Motion by Onteroraus to have an online vote for the conclave patch by the Council of Chiefs once the Service Lodge is able to update the patch design (early November). Seconded by Otahnagon. Motion passed.

Budget presented by Phil Hall

Original budget based on projected attendance of 300 members. The officers decided to make a goal of 200 people at their officer's meeting in July. The budget was modified to reflect these new numbers, cutting expenses where appropriate. At this point, the cost will remain the same as last year- \$30 for youth, \$40 for adults, with projections of 110 youth and 90 adults. Line item for conclave flaps was removed from income sources because they had not yet been designed, nor approved. A copy of the revised budget is attached.

Motion by Half Moon to accept the budget as amended. Seconded by Haudenosaunee. Motion passed.

Discussion of memorabilia items to accept pre-orders for. Conclave flaps will be patches in the shape of lodge flaps sold by the section for commemorative purposes. They will not be authorized for uniform wear.

Motion by Half Moon to have T-shirts, patches, back patches, neckerchiefs, bolos, steins, toothpick holders, and flaps as conclave memorabilia. Seconded by Onteroraus. Motion passed.

CVC Assignments

Chief Tyson Ford presented the Council of Chiefs with descriptions of the six CVC positions: American Indian Affairs, Recreation, Publications, Shows, Special Events, and Training. Lodge chiefs chose the following assignments:

American Indian Affairs	Kayanernh-Kowa #219
Recreation	Otahnagon #172
Publications	Onteroraus #402
Shows	Haudenosaunee #19
Special Events	Loon #364
Training	Half Moon #28

Motion by Otahnagon to approve the CVC assignments as chosen. Seconded by Ga-Hon-Ga. Motion passed.

Conclave Backdater

Dec. 14 (LLDC)	Training Topics chosen
Dec. 14 (LLDC)	Lodges assigned topics
Dec. 14 (LLDC)	CVC named
Jan. 18 (CoC)	Trainers appointed
Jan 18 (CoC)	CVC status report
Feb. 1	Advance Book information due to Service Lodge
Feb – Apr (Monthly phone calls)	CVC status report
March 15	Service Lodge sends out booklets
May 10 (on-site)	CVC status report
May 10 (on-site)	Train the Trainer session

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May 30 Check* and memorabilia pre-orders due to Service Lodge – no pre-orders accepted after this date
June 15 CVC materials requests due to Service Lodge
June 15 Registration forms due to home lodges
June 27 Check and registration forms due to Service Lodge – no patch or pin guaranteed after this date
July 15 Drop Dead registration date – no housing or food guaranteed after this date

*Check request not included in original backdater. Added with second motion below

Motion by Ga-Hon-Ga to approve backdater as written. Seconded by Otahnagon. Motion passed.

Motion by Ga-Hon-Ga to amend backdater: lodges send two checks to Service Lodge—one May 30 with pre-order registration and one June 27 with final registration. Seconded by Otahnagon. Motion passed.

Recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m. Reconvened at 12:34 p.m.

Lodge Visitations

The section is on schedule to complete all of our visitations in the original rotation this year. We are one of the few in the region to do so.

Our visitations this year have included Ga-Hon-Ga #34 in May, Kayanernh-Kowa #219 on Oct. 13, and Tahgajute #247, scheduled for Nov. 17.

Kayanernh-Kowa requested a study of attendance patterns and prices for lodge events from the section to help improve their events. The section has not conducted such a survey in the recent history, so the officers will work to develop one.

Visitations for next year will start the cycle again with Haudenosaunee #19, Otahnagon #172, and Loon #364.

Next CoC

Motion by Ga-Hon-Ga to schedule the next Council of Chiefs meeting for Saturday, January 18, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. at the Price Chopper Community Room (if available). Seconded by Kayanernh-Kowa. Motion passed.

Planbook

The Section Planbook, developed by Chief Tyson Ford, will be mailed to lodge chiefs and advisers in early November.

Training

Section Officers Tyson Ford, George Stiefel, and Peter Bird presented a training session highlighting the important points of the 2003-2007 OA Strategic Plan and the steps involved in developing the Lodge Plan.

LLDC – Saturday, December 14, 2002, 10:00 a.m. Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, NY

Drew Chesney, the section's Training Coordinator, has still not received all of the training surveys back from the lodge chiefs. He needs those surveys to help plan the program for the LLDC to more effectively help each lodge.

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Secretary Peter Bird passed out fliers lodges can use to promote the LLDC

Website

Under the direction of webmaster Andy Gianfagna, the section website is constantly being improved and refined. Web updates are scheduled before and after each Council of Chiefs meeting and shortly after the publication of the section newsletters.

E-Newsletter

Secretary Peter Bird is continuing to produce the section newsletter *NE-3B News*.

Editions are scheduled to be published about a month before a Council of Chiefs meeting. The next edition will go out in mid-December.

Lodges were asked to submit Lodge News- anything that's happening in the lodge- to Peter for inclusion in the newsletter. The deadline is Nov. 15 for the December issue.

SOS

The Section Officers Seminar will be held Nov. 1-3, 2002 at Camp Alpine, NJ. It will be an opportunity for our officers to interact with other section officers from around the region and to receive valuable training about section duties and conclave planning.

Indian Summer – August 2-7, 2003, Asheville, NC

This is the national Program of Emphasis for this summer. Indian summer is billed to be an intensive ceremonies and Native American training conference.

From the information currently available, attendance will be limited to 1,000-1,200 people. Preliminary costs are \$275 for a dorm room and \$375 for a hotel room.

If necessary, the section may help coordinate transportation if our lodges want to send contingents as the limited number of slots may prevent a lot of people from attending.

OA High Adventure

Philbreak- The first three weeks of March, 2003, with slots for 72 people from 18-25 years old. Brothers will be working to rebuild Philmont from the extensive fire damage from this summer.

OA Trail Crew- a two-week program during the summer at Philmont. Brothers pay only \$100 plus transportation to work and trek at Philmont.

OA Wilderness Voyage- a two-week program at the Northern Tier base in Minnesota. A strong membership drive this past year kept the program open for another year. Same costs as OATC.

NLS

March 28-30, 2003 at Camp Alpine, NJ

Our section will host May 2-4, 2003 at Camp Woodland, near Syracuse. This will probably be the only NLS in our section for another few years, so we should take advantage of it. Our section should try to send at least five people per lodge for a strong showing.

Adviser's Minute

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Lodge Charter Renewal kits have been mailed to each council. Section Adviser Bob Black encouraged lodges not to wait until December to submit recharter materials. To earn Quality Section, each lodge must recharter on time.

Bob also encouraged lodges to promote the Conclave to meet our goal of 200 attendees.

He highlighted the LLDC (a Quality Lodge requirement), NLS, and encouraged Conclave attendees to donate more items to the patch auction at the Conclave.

Bob invited lodge chiefs to bring their other lodge officers to the Council of Chiefs meetings to introduce them to the CoC process and to meet other officers from the section.

VII. Closing

Motion to close the meeting made by Haudenosaunee, seconded by Ga-Hon-Ga. Motion passed.

The meeting closed with the Order of the Arrow song at 1:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter Bird". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P" and "B".

Peter Bird
Section NE-3B Secretary