



Council of Chiefs

August 24, 2024

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- I. The Council of Chiefs was opened at 4:36 PM EST with the Pledge of Allegiance and Obligation.
- II. Roll Call
 - a. Chief: Present
 - b. Vice Chief: Present
 - c. Secretary: Present
 - d. Conclave Service Chair: Present
 - e. Indian Winter Service Chair: Present
 - f. Alibamu: Present
 - g. Aracoma: Present
 - h. Chattahoochee: Present
 - i. Coosa: Present
 - j. Echeconnee: Present
 - k. Egwa Tawa Dee: Present
 - l. Ini-to: Present
 - m. I-Tsu-La: Present
 - n. Mowogo: Present
 - o. Waguli: Present
 - p. Withlacoochee: Present
 - q. Admin Events: Present
 - r. American Indian Events: Present via Zoom
 - s. Ceremony Events: Absent
 - t. Fellowship: Present
 - u. Quest Events: Present
 - v. Shows: Present
 - w. Special Events: Present
 - x. Tailypo: Present
 - y. Training: Present
- III. Introduction & Approval of Minutes
- IV. Officer Reports
 - a. Secretary: Stephen served on NOAC staff with the ACES committee. He has been working on promotions for ACT Conference and will continually promote Indian Winter and Conclave.
 - b. Vice Chief: Lindsey served as a program director at Woodruff Scout Camp and served on NOAC staff with the remote delegate program. She worked to redesign and plan the ACT Conference and is looking forward to planning a successful Indian Winter.



- c. Chief: Emma oversaw the selection of CVCs for the program year. She served on NOAC staff with the remote delegate program. She is excited for our future events.
- V. Lodge Reports
- a. Alibamu: Recently, 26 new members successfully completed their ordeal and saw 18 members earn their Brotherhood honor. They sent 18 members to NOAC and completed a hike for a summer welcome event. The lodge also created three new committees to cover the areas of fellowship, outreach, and health and safety
 - b. Aracoma: Held a Beaver Day camp prep event. Held weekly socials during summer camp where they called out 29 candidates. Completed a successful ordeal with 31 new Ordeal members and 4 who earned the Vigil Honor. Aracoma is in the process of building a new lodge building and has made contributions to Friends of Scouting. They are setting up workdays to prepare for Indian Winter
 - c. Chattahoochee: Held a successful spring ordeal with 18 new Ordeal members and had 20 go through at the summer ordeal. Chattahoochee sent 10 arrowmen to NOAC. They enjoyed the ACT Conference.
 - d. Coosa: Held 2 ordeal weekends for camp prep. Had a total of 102 new Ordeal members and 20 Brotherhood members. They are in the process of planning their Fall Fellowship
 - e. Echeconnee: Held a summer river float and sent a contingent of 4 participants and 7 staff to NOAC
 - f. Egwa Tawa Dee: Held 2 ordeal weekends with 182 new Ordeal members and 40 Brotherhood members going through in May and 68 Ordeal members and 19 Brotherhood members in August. They are planning for Fall Fellowship.
 - g. Ini-To: Hosted the E6 Conclave in April. Held 2 ordeal weekends with 61 new Ordeal members. Hosted ice cream socials during summer camp. Had 12 members attend NOAC. They are planning their Fall Fellowship.
 - h. I-Tsu-La: Held a successful ordeal weekend in April with 14 new Ordeal members, 4 Brotherhood members, and 4 Vigil Honor members.
 - i. Mowogo: Had a pre-camp fellowship weekend where 49 candidates successfully completed the Ordeal. Mowogo sent a contingent of 22 members to NOAC. They will be hosting their Pow Wow September 20-22; Section Officers and Lodge Chiefs are invited to attend. They will be holding an ordeal weekend in November
 - j. Waguli: Held a successful day of service in May with 90 members in attendance. Hosted Waguli Watermelon Wednesday events during summer camp. Had 33 candidates complete their ordeal in August. They have 10 members in attendance at the ACT Conference.
 - k. Withlacoochee: Had a contingent of 12 Arrowmen attend NOAC. Hosted a summer fellowship event and are planning for their Fall Ordeal in November.



- VI. Region/National Updates
- a. [Revised Mission, Vision, and Purpose Statement](#) - Emma Wright / Ken Barton: Emma, “to be why scouts want to stay in scouting”
 - b. Ken Barton: Revised PMP goals are posted on the national website. On AIA changes, “We are still on hold”. If a lodge wants to incorporate AIA events, they must have a partnership with a local tribe/nation. Issue is that we don’t have any federally recognized tribes in Section E6, and we are still awaiting guidance from national leadership and there are advisers from several lodges currently working on solutions. “For now, nothing changes, we will still have Indian Winter in January”.
 - c. NLS/DYLC & Promotion
 - i. September 13th - September 15th - Alpine, NJ
 - ii. November 1st - November 3rd - Nashville, TN
Emma, “Register as soon as possible, encourage all Arrowmen to attend”
 - iii. Additional details can be found at <https://oa-bsa.org/eastern/nls>
 - iv. Scholarships: Information will be published on the website and social media within the next month. The scholarship will cover 50% of the event fee

- VII. Old Business
- a. 2024 Indian Winter Minutes: Waguli made a motion for approval, Mowogo seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed
 - b. 2024 Conclave Minutes: Aracoma made a motion for approval, Coosa seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed
 - c. 2024 Conclave Feedback: Mowogo inquired about ideas for lodge games separate from athletic events. It was agreed that discussion would take place later in the meeting
 - d. 2024 Conclave Budget Closeout:

The [2024 conclave financial report](#) was distributed to COC via email by Emma on Friday, August 23rd. The event ran a deficit of ~\$950 due to higher than expected food costs. Funds remaining from the 2023 Indian Winter were used to cover this deficit based on a decision at the 2023 Conclave Friday COC to carry over surplus to “next year’s program budget.”

Motion for approval by Coosa, Echeconnee seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

- i. Conclave Rollover (none)
 - ii. Conclave Reimbursement (none)
 - e. Emma presented the belated conclave attendance awards to Aracoma (first), I-Tsu-La (second), and Waguli (third)
- VIII. New Business
- a. Indian Winter: January 10-12th @ Camp Horne



- i. [Program Information/Presentation](#) – Will be approved as a whole proposal. Service weekend for Indian Winter will be free and date is to be determined. Indian Winter will have a theme. A google form to decide this theme will be sent out within two weeks
 1. Coosa made a motion for the approval of the whole proposal after review of all subordinate proposals, Mowogo seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed
 - ii. Service Information/Presentation – James Neary: Efforts will be made to get vehicles as close to camp as possible while ensuring safety. Participant identification will be strictly enforced. Cell service is strong
 - iii. Budget – Lindsey Mercer: Per Seth Hill, surplus from 2024 Indian Winter will be used to subsidize the 2025 Indian Winter. Registration price will be reduced from \$25 per person to \$15 per person for on-time registration
 - iv. Training - Michael Carlin presented his [training proposal](#) and [training matrix](#). The Section will not be responsible for costs for the guest Polestar instructor according to Michael Carlin
 - v. AIA - Logan Leach presented his [AIA proposal](#) via Zoom
 - vi. Fellowship - Alex Arnsdorff: On Friday night, there will be an opening festival, which will be a combination of an expo and the opening carnival from last year. We will have fellowship games, music, campfires and smores, as well as promotional booths for venturing, sea scouting, and conclave. We will also offer a training session meant to explain Quest events a little bit more, and it will go into the in-depth rules of each game in preparation for conclave.
 - vii. Shows - Aaron Sadowski presented his [Shows proposal](#) and requested \$100 for IW shows budget
- b. Conclave: April 4-6th @ Bert Adams Scout Camp
- i. Theme Presentation & Program Overview – Emma Wright and Del Gaines: The Arrows Tour theme was presented. Mowogo motioned for approval of the theme, Aracoma seconded. Discussion occurred over the theme with some questions on the overall purpose/message behind the theme. Section Chief, Emma Wright, outlined the focus of the theme being a fusion of music and appreciating our history. A roll call vote was requested and the motion passed by majority with 12 yea and 3 nay.
 1. Section Chief: Yea
 2. Section Vice Chief: Yea
 3. Section Secretary: Yea
 4. Immediate Past Section Chief: Yea
 5. Alibamu: Yea
 6. Aracoma: Nay
 7. Chattahoochee: Yea



8. Coosa: Yea
 9. Echeconnee: Nay
 10. Egwa Tawa Dee: Yea
 11. Ini-To: Yea
 12. I-Tsu-La: Nay
 13. Mowogo: Yea
 14. Waguli: Yea
 15. Withlacoochee: Yea
- ii. Memorabilia & Patch Design – Emma Wright and Del Gaines presented designs for the various conclave patches, super patch, and belt buckle. Additional designs will be submitted in the coming weeks
 - iii. Lodge Promotion / Registration – Stephen Leach: Promotional posts will be made on our social media channels. Section will also resume direct promotion to past attendees via email. Lodges will be sent a promotional tool kit with various materials.
 - iv. Service Presentation – Del Gaines: Coosa motioned for the approval of the service lodge proposal, Echeconnee seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed.
 - v. Program Drafts
 1. Administrative Events – Leslie Stone: Lodges will be judged for Facebook, Instagram, newsletters, website, and planbook. CVC will communicate with lodges to confirm judges. Mowogo motioned for approval of the admin events proposal, Waguli seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed
 2. American Indian Affairs – Logan Leach
 3. Ceremonies – *Presenting at IW*
 4. Fellowship – *Presenting at IW*
 5. Quest for the Golden Arrow – Jacob Young presented his proposal which included removing volleyball and replacing it with flag football. Motion was made to approve the proposal. During discussion, questions were raised regarding the proposed replacement of volleyball with flag football noting that several lodges really enjoyed volleyball and some of the events (e.g. flag football, soccer, ultimate, etc.) were very similar potentially giving some lodges an advantage. Coosa moved to amend the proposal by removing flag football. Mowogo seconded. There was no discussion on the amendment. The motion passed. Coosa moved to amend the proposal by adding volleyball. Ini-To seconded. There was no discussion on the amendment. The motion passed. Mowogo motioned to approve the amended proposal, Echeconnee seconded. There was no further discussion of



- the proposal. The motion passed and the proposal was approved
6. Shows – Aaron Sadowski: There will be an opening show on Friday night that has lodge spirit tests. Saturday's closing show will be a weekend recap and end in a call to action. The business meeting will be held on Sunday morning. Coosa motioned for the approval of the shows proposal, Echeconnee seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed
 7. Special Events – Hagan Rudolf: Special events at Conclave 2025 will include a live and silent patch auction, adult dutch oven cookoff, and sash cab. Each lodge is expected to bring \$300 worth of patches to Conclave for the auctions. A form will be distributed to lodges at Indian Winter that will allow them to describe the merchandise being donated and to specify an approximate value to ensure donated items are sold/auctioned at fair market value. Mowogo motioned for the approval of the special events proposal, and Waguli seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed
 8. Tailypo Festival – Alex Sutter: Each lodge will host a booth showcasing their lodge and the theme. Other activities such as a dunk tank and DJ will be happening in conjunction. Mowogo motioned for the approval of the Tailypo proposal, Echeconnee seconded. There was discussion on the pie eating contest and dunk tank in regards to Guide to Safe Scouting compliance, this discussion did not lead to any amendments or changes. The motion passed
 9. Training – Michael Carlin *Presenting at IW*
- vi. Best All-Around Lodge Criteria Approval – Emma Wright presented the [2025 BAAL criteria](#): Egwa Tawa Dee motioned to remove AIA from the Best All Around Lodge criteria due to limited past participation from lodges as well as new guidance from National Leadership, Mowogo seconded. The motion to amend the proposal passed. Ini-To motioned to amend the Indian Winter attendance point category to add a 10 point award for lodge's who have between 5% and 8% of their membership in attendance at Indian Winter 2025, Echeconnee seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed. Mowogo motioned to approve the amended proposal, and Waguli seconded. No further discussion on the amended proposal occurred. A roll call vote was requested and the motion passed with 13 yea, 1 nay, and 1 abstain
1. Section Chief: Yea
 2. Section Vice Chief: Yea
 3. Section Secretary: Yea



4. Immediate Past Section Chief: Abstain
 5. Alibamu: Yea
 6. Aracoma: Yea
 7. Chattahoochee: Yea
 8. Coosa: Yea
 9. Echeconnee: Yea
 10. Egwa Tawa Dee: Yea
 11. Ini-To: Yea
 12. I-Tsu-La: Nay
 13. Mowogo: Yea
 14. Waguli: Yea
 15. Withlacoochee: Yea
- vii. Award List Approval – Emma Wright presented the [list of proposed awards](#). Waguli motioned to approve the awards list, Echeconnee seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed
 - viii. Budget Approval – Emma Wright presented the 2025 conclave budget which set the on-time fee at \$42. Mowogo motioned to increase the Tailypo budget by \$100, seconded by Coosa. There was no discussion. The motion passed Mowogo motioned to approve the amended budget, Coosa seconded. The motion passed and the budget was approved. A copy of the approved budget can be found [here](#)
- IX. Closing
- a. Adviser’s Minute: Ken Barton welcomed Ryan Braddy back to the Section E6 leadership team resuming his role as an Associate Section Adviser. He thanked the Section Officers and CVCs as well as their advisers for their work. Encouraged lodges to work towards the Best All Around Lodge Goals. Urged all Arrowemn to take time to care for themselves.
 - b. The Council of Chiefs was adjourned at 6:49 PM EST by the singing of the song of the Order