



Lowaneu Allanque Lodge #41  
E-Board Minutes  
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**Agenda: Reports-**

Secretary's Report (Robbie Dzierzanowski) – The November 2017 notes were approved.  
Be expecting a Northstar Newsletter in February or March!

-Webmaster with Mrs. Deb Brown: Winter Council of Chiefs at the Kalahari Resort and Conference Center registration has passed, thank you to all who participated and attended! Mrs. Brown also said that pictures from Winter Banquet are posted on the Lodge website ([oa41.com](http://oa41.com)) and the Lodge Facebook page (“Lowaneu Allanque Lodge 41”, and follow us on Twitter too @OA41CR , and our Instagram @oa\_41\_cr )

Treasurer's Report (Casey Gasior) – Casey said that the Lodge has a sufficient amount of money.



Quartermaster's Report (Justin Weber) – At Winter Banquet, the Quartermaster Store made \$1,483! This is terrific news.

### **Chapter Reports-**

Chanonee – January meeting: 13 youth and 2 adults in attendance, and their December meeting hauled 7 youth and 3 adults. Both times, they talked about Unit Elections, Winter Council of Chiefs, and Winter Banquet.

Foxfire – At their January meeting, they had 2 youth and 1 adult in attendance, and talked about their growing attendance!

Fox Valley – At the December meeting, they had 19 youth and 4 adults. They talked about the upcoming January Chapter Christmas party, as well as prepped for the 20+ Unit Elections and Cub Scout Crossover Ceremonies to come in February. In January, they raked in 21 youth and 4 adults, and had their annual Christmas Party. FV is looking at about ½ of the 20 Unit Elections in the District complete by this mid/end of January.

Great Bear – In their January meeting at Main Event, they talked about working on their ceremonies and also had plenty of fun at the venue.

Indian Prairie – None.

Kishwaukee – None.

Maramech Hill – At their January meeting, the Hill had 10 youth and 4 adults, and the meeting consisted of making catapults, going over information for Council of Chiefs, and Powwow.



Northern Trail – Their 2018 kickoff meeting is the week of the 21<sup>st</sup> of January, there is also a 99% chance of free food, SO ATTEND.

Potawatomi Trails – No meeting for January. They've had 3 meetings to prepare Chapter for Unit Elections, and they have one election complete.

Thunderbird – At their holiday party in December, they planned for the next year and a half. They had no attendance numbers to report for December. For January, they had 7 youth and 4 adults, and talked about elections.

### **Committee Reports –**

American Indian Activates (Grounds, old AIA) – They are in the process of preparing for Powwow in February.

Grounds – None

Ceremonies – The Chairman would like the ceremonies to begin practicing and to be ready for Spring Fellowship, along with Conclave in April.

Activities – None.

Brotherhood – The Brotherhood Committee is scouting a location for their next Brotherhood ceremony. They are currently reaching out to Section C-7 to see if they have any Lodges in need of a Ceremony.

Elangomats – None.

Engagement (Inductions and Promotions) – Starting to prepare for Spring Fellowship by updating forms and such.



Service – Service Committee started the New Year off with a bang by starting to plan an incentive program out for those who choose to help out on service projects.

Vigil – Winter Banquet happened. Many Indian names were read, many were mispronounced, but all is well. Ryan Jackson formally apologized for any mispronunciation. The Committee also handed out Vigil Plaques out at Banquet. Congratulations to our Vigil Class of 2017!

### **Old Business-**

-Winter Banquet: People seemed to be having a good time. A good problem arose this year: not enough seats. This means that our Lodge is growing in terms of active members!

-Lodge Chief Joey Snella also attended two other Lodge's Banquets in our Section. Joey attended Owasippe Lodge's Banquet, located in the Pathway to Adventure Council, and Wag-O-Shag Lodge's Banquet, located in the Potawatomi Area Council. At the Owasippe Banquet, they had family style serving. Joey thinks this could be beneficial to our Banquet. At the Wag-O-Shag's Banquet, they had two different menu items. Joey may be looking to include these ideas for next year's Banquet here at Lowaneu Allanque.

### **New Business-**

-Winter Council of Chiefs: Meeting will be starting at 10:00, sharp. Come and meet current Central Region Chief Will Coots as well as National Vice Chief Michael Kipp.

-Powwow: February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 is when Powwow will be happening this year. Join us for an opportunity to learn how to drum, do ceremonies and ceremonial dance. There will

be a special guest from Indiana working on leatherworking, and people from Elgin to help with these new crafts.



-2018 Lodge Lock-In: March 24-25. Rush Copley Health-Plex, 1900 Ogden Ave., Aurora. Join us for unlimited tennis, pool, basketball, food, Mountain Dew and fun! Rock-climbing will be there this year too. Make sure you bring an updated version of your BSA Medical Forms and have them renewed well in advance.

-2018 Section C-7 Conclave: April 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. More information to come!

### **Key 3 Minutes**

Lodge Staff Advisor (Mr. Thomas Barrington) – Mr. Barrington talked about the upcoming Winter Council of Chiefs, and said that we should use the next 2 months of the year to perfect our leadership. He also challenges us to attend each and every meeting.

Lodge Advisor (Dr. Mike Koehne) – Mr. Koehne asked everyone present if they knew someone who was eligible for the Vigil honor. Multiple, if not dozens of hands rose to the sky. In the words of the great Dr. Koehne, “nominate them. Do it.” Doctor also talked about how Conclave is in our back yard and how the Lodge’s goal is to get 75 youth/adults. He said to really talk up Conclave with our friends to get as many people there as possible.

Lodge Chief (Joey Snella) – Joey talked about his truck at banquet, hence his loss for words at the EBoard meeting. He mentioned how his dad (more often referred to as “Russ the Muss” or sometimes “Russel the Muscle”) is changing jobs! He said that Mr. Snella is now going to be working from home, which is a big change and consequently a good thing. Snella wants to challenge us to take that big step, just as his dad did, because that big step may change us for life. Look for that way to change and improve our leadership.