

Minutes

Mustang Chapter OA Meeting, Nov. 7, 2013

1. The monthly OA Chapter meeting was held at the American Legion Post in Hopkins, rather than at Christ Presbyterian Church in Edina, as part of the regular Roundtable. The Chapter goes “off campus” occasionally in order to have special extended (noisier?) meetings which would be disruptive to the Roundtable. This occasion was a pizza and sodas meeting to get Chapter matters organized for the OA year (October to September).
2. The meeting was attended by representatives from Troops 48, 62, 207, 370, 479, and 738. Chapter Chief Jack McGee led a flag ceremony and presided; VP Program Charlie Cousins presented several ideas for chapter fellowship events and service projects; and several adult advisers and interested parents also attended. There were plenty of pizza slices to go around!
3. The following items were discussed and approved:
 - a. To purchase appropriate headgear regalia for the Chapter Chief as replacement for the full feather headdress currently used; purchase arrows needed for upcoming Arrow of Light ceremonies; and pay another chapter’s seamstresses to sew three regalia shirts using material that the Chapter purchased last year.
 - b. to move the Chapter’s traditional Great Fire in the West to a District event in the Fall;
 - c. and to plan for a Chapter fellowship event in the late Winter (Charlie will lead planning for this).
4. At this meeting, we also began the Crew re-chartering effort, after first explaining to attendees that Mustang Chapter OA activities are “housed” in Venturing Crew 16 sponsored by the American Legion. Several scouts took Application forms to complete. All Mustang OA members over 13 are invited to join the Crew, while maintaining their Troop affiliation. There is no extra fee. Scouts between the ages of 18 and 21 can also be members of the Crew. Call Mr. Chamberlain, Crew Adviser, at 952-220-3803 or email him at sonsjsj@comcast.net if you need more information.
5. Finally, Charlie and Jack reviewed upcoming events, including Lodge Leadership Development (for all chapter officers and also troop reps) on Dec. 6-7 in Prior Lake, scheduled Arrow of Light events, and ArrowPower 2014, a massive campsite restoration service project on the Namekagon and St. Croix Rivers next August. (See the District OA website for details).

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Mustang Chapter Officers