

Changes in By-laws

...by *Seth Bingham, Lodge Chief*

In accordance with Lodge Rule 10.3, there are new amendments to the lodge rules that the LEC has voted on, and approved for general membership approval. The following amendments to the lodge rules will be voted upon at the upcoming winter event at the lodge business meeting that will be held during the event. Please see the lodge website for the current lodge rules. Here are the sections of the lodge rules as proposed with the new changes.

1.01 The name of this lodge of the Order of the Arrow shall be: The Golden Sun Lodge W.W.W. #492. The lodge shall be affiliated with the Cornhusker Council, No. 324, Boy Scouts of America, and shall be under the supervision of the Scout Executive.

1.06 The lodge shall be divided into Chapters by Districts. Each Chapter shall come under the supervision of the respective District Executive.

3.04 The Lodge Executive Committee is the steering committee of the lodge and is authorized to act on behalf of the General Membership unless otherwise specified in these Rules. The Lodge Executive Committee shall be composed of the Lodge Chief, Lodge Vice Chief, Lodge Treasurer, Lodge Secretary, the immediate past Lodge Chief (the previous person to hold the position of Lodge Chief), the Chapter Chiefs, the Chairmen of the Lodge Standing Committees, the Lodge Adviser, the Chapter Advisers, the Scout Executive, and the Staff Adviser.

3.05 Voting members of the Executive Committee shall be all youth members (under 21 years of age) of the Lodge Executive Committee as defined in Section 3.04. In

the absence of a Chapter Chief, the highest ranking elected Chapter officer present will vote as the representative of the Chapter Chief.

3.07 The Lodge officers and the Chapter Chiefs shall be elected by majority vote at the annual Pow-Wow. If no one receives a majority vote on the second ballot then the candidate receiving the fewest number of votes shall be dropped from the ballot. This process will continue until one candidate receives a majority of the votes cast. Lodge officers will be voted upon by the entire lodge membership. Chapter Chiefs will be voted upon only by members of their respective chapters.

3.08 The term of all Lodge and Chapter officers shall commence at the closing of the annual Lodge Leadership Development Course and shall last until they are replaced by their successor at the closing of the following annual Lodge Leadership Development Course.

3.09 Nominations for the Lodge officer and Chapter Chief positions will be declared open at the end of the General Membership meeting held during the Spring Event. All nominations must be made in writing, listing the name of the person nominated, the name and signature of the person making the nomination, and a signed acceptance of the nomination by the person nominated. The Lodge Secretary must receive the nomination before 6:00 pm on the Friday of the Pow-Wow weekend. The Lodge Secretary shall have the known slate of nominees published in the Sundial at least three (3) weeks prior to the annual Pow-Wow. Any nominee for the position of Lodge Chief who is not elected to that office shall, upon his acceptance, be nominated for Lodge Vice-Chief. Any nominee for the position of Lodge Vice-Chief who is not elected to that office shall, upon his acceptance, be nominated for Lodge Secretary and/or the Lodge Treasurer. In the event that no one is elected to a position due to a lack of nominations, the Lodge Chief-elect may appoint