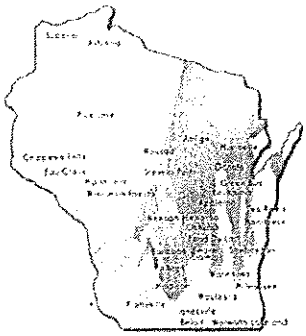

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Chairman
Committee on Credentials and Elections

Name of Committee ACCIDENT PREVENTION

Date and Time of Meeting FEB. 4 2017 0800

Chairman MICHAEL C. WIRTH

Names of Those in Attendance MIKE WIRTH #299 - JIM STASKAL #1540 PAT GOLNER #46 - MIKE MEYER #666 - PAM SCHEDIVY #292 TOM WELLER #611

Names of Those Excused

Not Excused KENNY LANE #402 - ANDY LARSON #688 - DICK MEDD #887 DAVE NITZE #254 - JIM PALZEWICZ #400 - ORA PAYNE #1441 ED SCHNEIDER #864 -

Visitors GREGG BREESE #666 - DALE FULTON #254 - JIM KOLES #662 ~~DICK~~ JIM FRANCISCO #688 - JEFF BJERKE #400 - LIZ KAAS #402 JIM KOLES #662 - H. PAUL O'BRION #675 - JIM WOLD #402

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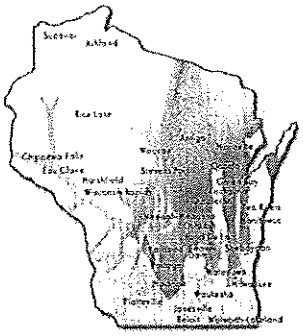

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DATE FEB 4 2017

Time 0800

Committee Name ACCIDENT PREVENTION

DISCUSSED - NON-SLIP FLOORS FOR LODGES. NO NEED FOR MATS.

DISCUSSED - ONE CLAIM FOR 2016 - PORTAGE LODGE #675. HAIL AND WATER DAMAGE TO THE ROOF AND WATER DAMAGE INSIDE ROOMS.

DISCUSSED PROPER WAY TO REPORT CLAIMS AND MAJOR STORM PROPERTY LOSS TO THE ELKS

EQUIPMENT BREAK DOWN COVERAGE

DISCUSSED WINTER INFOMATION NEWSLETTER

OPEN DISCUSSION

First Copy - State Secretary Second Copy - State President Third Copy - Committee Chairman

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Wisconsin *Elks* Association

Committee Report

February 4, 2017

Auditing Committee

Dave Hagen, Chairman

The auditing committee reviewed and approved the expenditures of the following WEA checking accounts.

Wisconsin Elks Association administration account for the period of September 16, 2016 through January 31, 2017.

Wisconsin Elks Association charitable account for the period of September 16, 2016 through January 31, 2017.

Wisconsin State Major Projects account for the period of April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2016.

Wisconsin Elks Benevolent Fund

Minutes of the Meeting of Board of Directors

2017 WEA Mid-Winter Conference, Appleton WI

February 3, 2014

1. Meeting of the Board of Directors was call to order @ 10:57 by President Ken Bruckner, with the pledging to the Flag.
2. Roll call of officer with all present.
3. 26 members were present including PGER the Honorable F. Louis Sulsberger of Flora, IL Lodge #1659 and Illinois 1st President, David Jurmu of Rock Island Lodge #980.
4. Minutes of the September 2016 meeting were read and approved.
5. Treasure report was read and approved.
   a. $ 22,320.58 in Checking
   b. $1,871,028.02 in Funds
6. Tyson Ray reviewed the status of the investment funds reporting a 4.53% portfolio performance.
7. Old Business: None
8. Jackie Heitmann reported on the benevolent fundraising.
   a. Flyers for Benevolent donations were mailed to the lodges to be read on the Lodge floor and to be included in the local lodge membership dues notices.
   b. No fundraising booth was setup for Mid-Winter conference due to committee member conflicts.
   c. Requested board approval to use the approved funds for the Mid-Winter Conference to spend up to $100 for prize money to be used for the May Convention fundraiser.
9. Lou Sulsberger was reminded that the following fund director terms expiring in May 2017 are President Ken Bruckner and Director Todd Kostuck. *Lou made the announcement that he has reappointed both Ken Bruckner and Todd Kostuck for the expiring terms at the Member Luncheon.*
10. The board had a discussion on the level of contribution to the WEA and decided to keep the funds contribution to the WEA charity account at the current level of $90,000.
11. The following payments were approved by the Board:
    - $30,000 to the WEA for charitable programs
    - Up to $100 was authorized last fall and moved to carryover the amount for the May fundraising prizes.
    - $35.00 to Hagen CPA for filing fee of the annual report for the benevolent fund
    - $740.31 to The O Brion Co for fundraising letters, envelopes and postage
    - $50.00 to the Wisconsin Department of Gaming for our renewal of licenses.
12. Weekend collections totaled $16,254.70
13. Meeting was adjourned @ 11:438 am.

Respectively Submitted,

David A Hagen

David Hagen
Secretary/Treasurer

WISCONSIN ELKS ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 03, 2017

The Board of Directors met at the Paper Valley Hotel in Appleton, Wisconsin, during the Mid-Winter Conference hosted by the Wisconsin Elks Association.

Members Present:
Rob Radig, SR – St Pres, George Myers - St Pres-elect, Dave Crevcoure– VP-NE, Nate Levenhagen – VP-NW, Mike Wright – VP-C, Jeff Boss – VP-S, Ken Johnson – St Sec, David DeRosier – Bd of Dir-Chair, Andy Olander – Bd of Dir-Sec, Jaye Franklin – Trustee-NW, Joe Klumb – Trustee-NE, Pat Buck – Trustee- At Large, Anthony Voulgaris – Trustee-C

Excused:
Jeff Langton – St Treas

Special Guests:
F. Louis Sulsberger – PGER, Dennis Daley – Special Deputy, David Jurmu – 1st VP of IL, Roger Quinn – GL Ritual

Others Present:
Ken Bruckner - PSP, Bob Bohnsack - PSP, Ron Shannon - PSP, Todd Kostuck – PSP, Bill Weinshrott – St Inner Guard, Ron Bertrand – PSP, Jeff Miller – DD-NW, Pam Sheve, Chris Carrick, Tom Trudeau – ER Ashland, Pam Schedivey – LK Oshkosh, Sam Demmin, Jeannie Lang - PDDGER

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman DeRosier at 9:00 AM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by all

2. Roll call was taken

3. Minutes reviewed. Motion by Johnson, second by Radig, motion passed.

4. Old Business
   None

5. Conference and Convention Report
   Johnson reported that everything is good so far for Appleton, even though there were some very early arrivals

   Eau Claire Report
   Myers discussed time changes for some meetings. Noted that the Clarion is the Headquarters hotel, but does not have an elevator.

6. VP Reports
   VP-NW – Levenhagen
   VP-NE – Crevcoure
   Additional comments regarding the traveling gavel
   VP-C – Wright
   VP-S – Boss

7. Treasurers Report
   Johnson presented the Treasurer's report as Langton was excused.
   Bruckner and Bohnsack discussed Camp Waubeek.

Sheve noted that the Oshkosh Lodge received a $10,000 Impact Grant.
Derosier reported that there are a number of grants available.
Myers discussed how Eau Claire applied 3 times and got one when they called Chicago directly. It was noted that the phrase "Community Activity" was a key phrase to be used when applying for a grant. Elks must be active in the project too. Vulgaris suggested bringing in a speaker to show how to fill out a grant request. Sulsberger pointed out there have been seminars.

8. Secretary Report
Johnson reported that the Meet & Greet room is doing fantastically. Pam has been a mainstay of the room, but with her new responsibilities, she needs to cut back her time.
Johnson reported that there were a few Sievwright Grants that went unclaimed.
Flag Day requesters have been paid.
March 1 is the deadline for expenses to be turned in.
Johnson reminded all that the Bugle deadlines are deadlines, so be on time.
Reminded Myers that he needs to work on the directory.
Johnson has received a number of phone calls from members regarding attending State meetings.
Appleton and Green Bay sites are ready for our conferences and conventions.
Franklin reported that a new member is attending from Marshfield and will attend the Americanism Committee.

9. Sponsor Report
PGER Sulsberger reported that we need to get our message out. Related a trip to Springfield and how a past member was reinstated. Membership can grow, if we just ask. He is always happy to be in Wisconsin.

10. PGER Sulsberger introduced Dave Jurmu. Jurmu is a membership guy. He trys to bring in at least 3 members per year. Police and teacher appreciation nights help to draw in new potential members. He spoke about a Lodge that has initiated a totally deaf member.

11. PGER Sulsberger introduced Roger Quinn, from G/L Ritual. Quinn noted that the new members need to see a good rendition of the initiation.

12. New Business

Carrick gave a report on the Meet and Greet Room. Arrangements are being made for Green Bay and Eau Claire Conference and Convention. Johnson said we should be complimentary to the hotel staff because of their help to make our Conference successful.
Sam reported on the Reno Convention and it is going well. No food problems at the Peppermill. 8 states will reside there. List of Lodges of $100 due for Houston yet. Committee is always looking for help.

Olander reported on the new MVS Scholarship contest. Some problems, but expected with the roll-out of a new program. Olander reported that the ENF group was a pleasure to work with and that there may be a Committee of State Chairs being put together to work with ENF and the judging company, and he hopes to be on it.

Myers has hoopshoot pins for sale.

Radig thanked the VPs for their hard work, and Wright and Boss for putting in 2 years as VP.

Radig wants to change Officer Training to include the Leading Knights and the Loyal Knights,

Radig is holding a fund raiser to determine if he will shave his beard or both beard and head.

Jason Somers has put a lot of work in on an Elks License Plate project. The potential costs were submitted, no action taken.

Johnson reported that new signage is needed for the Major Project booth. Don and Bob are working on it.

DeRosier noted that we care. He wondered how many took notes about the ideas that had been presented. He noted that our committees must go out to the membership and give them a reason to attend their meetings. DeRosier discussed the cost of college and wondering if we should increase the cash payouts.

DeRosier spoke about improving our image, not being associated to an owl, because the first question is "Elks,who?".

Voulgaris gave an example of a sticker his company uses to put on merchant copy of charge slips. It could be a good method of publicity for the Elks.

Bohnsack thanked all for the support for the Display. Spoke about Conference and Convention do list. Sheboygan has put together a new member handbook. It addresses initiation, indoctrination, committees on both the local and state level, and officer positions and the responsibilities of each.

DeRosier pointed out the voucher book and stated there were a lot of great ideas that could be gleaned from the payouts. He thanked all for their frankness and open discussions.

13. Next meeting at the State Convention on Friday, May 5, 2017 at 8:30 AM at Radisson in Green Bay.

14. Motion to adjourn passed. Meeting closed at 10:45 AM.

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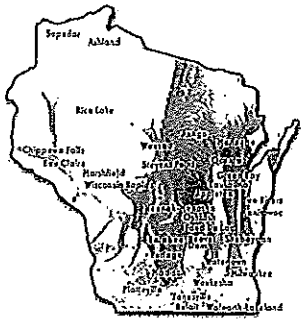

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Name of Committee Business Practices

Date and Time of Meeting 2/4/17 8:00 Am

Chairman Ralph Anderson

Names of Those in Attendance

(see attached roll sheet)

Names of those Excused

Not Excused

Visitors

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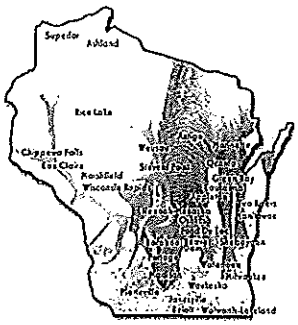

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Date 2/4/17

Time 8:00 AM

Committee Name Business Practices

The mtg was called to order at 8:05 followed by the pledge. Ralph Anderson, Committee Chair, was unable to attend due to a medical emergency.

The meeting was chaired by Bob Willis, St. Pt #641

Members and guests in attendance held a very interesting discussion regarding Unrelated Business Income (UBI). Lodges discussed how they were handling UBI and shared their experiences with IRS audits

The meeting adjourned at 8:39 AM

Respectfully submitted

Robt R. Willis
Stevens Point #641

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Central District Report
Michael Wright
February 2, 2017

All the lodges are doing well and continuing to grow their membership. They are also completing many functions both in their lodges and communities.

Sheboygan:

Major projects: This is a lodge in transition. They have so many ideas they just must reign them in. Many of the tried and true projects are still working. I'll reference the Lew Conway junior bowling tournament which gave out 5000.00 in scholarships money in one weekend. Also, the 12 weeks of Christmas, in which they gave boxes of essentials and food to 123 families in need.

Working on a veteran's lunch set for May 20st which will include members from local VFW and American Legion Posts.

Current membership is 552, with 4 awaiting initiation.

Oshkosh:

Major project: With their impact grant they helping homeless vets with essential items along with a scarf and mittens to keep them warm. It's also accompanying by a personal message.
Current membership is 342, with 4 scheduled for initiation

Portage:

Major projects: Exalted ruler visit to area nursing homes on good Friday.

This year they started shop with a cop in their area which was a huge success.
Current membership is 175, with 6 waiting for initiation.

Watertown:

Major projects: Even though not supported by an impact grant they keep going with the help of Mike Meyer. Open Blues Jam. Fish and Chicken buffet. Veterans luncheon. Sheepshead tournament as well as Old timer's night.

Current membership is 197, with 3 awaiting initiation.

Neenah-Menasha:

Major projects: They are working with the boys and girls club with trips to the rattlers and future games to the gamblers. Very community involved.

Current membership is 72, and no initiates in waiting.

Beaver Dam:

Major Projects: They just finished their Christmas Basket program which was a wonderful success. Along with their skate loan program which has been a success since it's in inception.
Current membership is 37, no initiates in waiting.

Baraboo:

Major Projects: No major projects and I foresee problems next year.
Current membership is 220, with 3 waiting initiation.

The lodges are working on their membership but it is a work in progress. We have a lot of work to do this year.

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Name of Committee Committee For The Disabled

Date and Time of Meeting February 4, 2017 09:00

Chairman Scott Michaels

Names of Those in Attendance

Scott Michaels, Sheboygan #299; Jim Dickinson, Wausau #248; Dale Fulton, Janesville #254
Three (3)

Names of those Excused

Lynn Sears, Fond Du Lac #57; Don Sears (Advisor), Fond Du Lac #57; Martin Plutowski, Waukesha #400;
Three (3)

Not Excused

Ellen Harper, Green Bay #259; Jeanie Varney, Two Rivers #1380; George Myers, Eau Claire #402; Stephen Hunt, Oshkosh #292:
Four (4)

Visitors

Pam Moran, Milwaukee #46; Ben Godlewski, Waukesha #400; David DeRosier, Milwaukee #46; Bill Clifford, Marshfield #665;
Four (4)

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Date February 4, 2017

Time 9:00

Committee Name Committee For The Disabled

AGENDA

1. Call to Order Committee for the Disabled
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Welcome-Introduction
4. Roll Call – Sign-in Sheet passing
5. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes –

a. We had 11 Applications approved at the Fall Conference in the amount of $2,799.00 with $1,155.00 Held for three Campership ($1,655.00 Submitted). Total year to date including four (4) held campership, $4,954.00

6. Old Business

a. None

7. New Business

a. Budget Review - Leaving us with $4,690.00 of our 2016/17 budgeted $9,644.
b. List the Applications for Claims received (See Below)
c. 2017-2018 Budget Request is due March 1, 2017. $10,000.00 To be requested.
d. Chairperson Resignation effective end of budget year 2016/17.

8. Additions to Agenda –
9. Dave D. discussed the need for more PR for committees which distribute funds; suggested a letter from Chairman to lodges that receive fund so it could be place in their newsletter.

Dale F. asked about a Janesville park for Disabled and if they could donate and receive funds? Suggested they fund request for specific need not general donation of money.

10. Adjournment 9:32

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Name of Committee Conference and Convention

Date and Time of Meeting Feb.4 2014 10AM

Chairman Ken Johnson

Names of Those in Attendance

Names of those Excused

Not Excused

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Date 2/4/14

Time 10AM

Committee Name Confer. And Conv.

New Manual is on line
Special thanks to Pam & Chris for the Meet and Greet room
Eau Claire update
Change in Memorial service
Discussed a idea submitted by a non committee person to have meetings on Sat. afternoon and have just one meal. After discussion it was decided that most members enjoy the free time of Sat. afternoon and the current schedule is working so less not make any changes.

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Name of Committee Credentials & Elections

Date and Time of Meeting February 3 and 4, 2017 Friday (noon to 8pm) & Saturday (7 to 11 am)

Chairman Chair Jan Schultz, Marshfield #665 Vice-Chair Kay Franklin, Marshfield #665

Names of Those in Attendance

The following Members and/or Volunteers worked at least one 2-hour shift: Jan Schultz #665, Kay Franklin #665
Jeff Miller #1441, Colleen Anderson #137, Fran Vandre #666, Bob Goestch #1540, Gary Baker #668, Bonnie Rassbach #402
Ben Godlewski #400, Frank Hafner #676, Ron Gillen #1460, Lisa Dittmer #665, Sam Howard #668 , Bob Henning #248.
Several Members/Volunteers helped set up and take down Friday and Saturday
Secretary Ken Johnson checked in frequently.

Names of those Excused

Committee Advisor Keith Simmons
Excused members and volunteers: Donna Sislo #403, Laura Jungwirth #641, Kate Rennells #665, Diane Kulick #676,
Joy Swantz #666, Mary Anderson #693, Jaye Franklin #665, Carol Madson #299

Not Excused

Visitors

212 Registrants

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Date 2017 Mid-Winter Conference @ Paper Valley Hotel, Appleton

Time Registration Hours: Friday--noon to 8 pm and Saturday--7 to 11 am

Committee Name Credentials & Elections

Special Guests: State Sponsor PGER F Louis Sulsberger Lodge #1659 Flora Illinois
Roger Quinn (Lisa) Lodge #2497 Champagne-Urbana Illinois
David Jurmu (Rae Marie) Lodge #61201 Rock Island Illinois

Comparison of 2017 and 2016 Mid-Winter Conferences

Preregistered	155	162
No Shows/Cancellations	9	6
Subtotal	146	156
Registered On-Site	66	68
Total Elks in Attendance	212	224

29 of 30 Lodges were represented
Two Rivers was absnet

Exalted Rulers	14	22
Leading Knights	11	10
Loyal Knights	9	7
Lecturing Knights	8	4
Esquires	7	6
Inner Guards	3	4
Tilers		5 1
Secretaries	18	12
Treasurers	10	5
Trustees	28	15
Chaplains	4	4

Monies turned in to Ken Johnson: $675.00 for Friday on-site, $975.00 for Saturday on-site, $232.00 for meals. Total of $1,882.00

Of the 13 appointed Committee Members listed in The Directory: 2 do not want to be on the committee. Had 11 volunteers. Of the total 22, 14 worked 1 or more shifts and 8 were excused. More members/volunteers are needed.

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COMMITTEE CHECK LIST MID WINTER 2017

NAME OF COMMITTEE: DRUG AWARENESS
DATE & TIME: FEBRUARY 5, 2017
CHAIRMAN: JERRY BRIEN

NAMES OF THOSE IN ATTENDANCE: JERRY BRIEN, CHAIRMAN-KAUKAUNA #962, JASON BIGGS-ST. POINT #641, MARK BJERKE-WAUKESHA #400, SAM DEMMIN-OSHKOSH #292, SUSAN FARINA-BELOIT #864, CHRISTINE GIAGOMINO-MARSHFIELD #665, KATHY GILLEN, VICE CHAIRMAN-PLATTEVILLE #1460, DALE HEITMANN-WAUSAU #248, ROB RADIG-BEAVER DAM #1540, MARGOT RUDOLPH-NEENAH-MENASHA #676, MIKE WIRTH-SHEBOYGAN #299, HEATHER DE BROUX-ANTIGO #662, DAVE BOWEN-MILWAUKEE #46, TIM GROLL-OCONTO #887

EXCUSED: MURIEL MEYERS-EAU CLAIRE #402, CINDY YARDLY-RICE LAKE #1441, MARK DUTCHER-WATEROWN #666

NOT EXCUSED: APPLETON #337, ASHLAND #137, BARABOO #688, CHIPPEWA FALLS #1326, GREEN BAY 259, JANESVILLE #254, MADISON #410, MANITOWOC #687, MARINETTE #1313, PORTAGE #675, SUPERIOR #403, TWO RIVERS #1380, WISCONSIN RAPIDS #693

GUESTS: DON MEYER-MARSHFIELD #665, SHERRY BELLIN-NEENAH-MENASHA #676, NATHALIE BRIEN-KAUKAUNA #962, TONY WAMPLER-RICE LAKE-#1441, KAUKAUNA OFFICER LUCAS MEYER, KAUKAUNA K9 ROCK0

COMMITTEE REPORT MID WINTER 2017

DATE: FEBRUARY 4, 2017
TIME: 10:00-12:00
COMMITTEE NAME: DRUG AWARENESS

*Meeting called to order by Chairman Jerry Brien at 10:00 with pledge and introductions.

*Brien introduced Officer Lucas Meyer the K9 officer for the Kaukauna Police Department along with Rocko, the Kaukauna K9 dog. Meyer presented on how a K9 dog is selected. He also presented information on the training necessary to have a K9 dog. He finished stating stats on how the K9 dog has had an impact in the Valley. Brien added information on how a committee of which Brien represented the Kaukauna Elks in fundraising for the K9 dog. Kaukauna Elks used 2 Gratitude Grants totaling $3000 to add to the $90,000 needed to secure and maintain the dog for 3 years.

*Dale Heitmann talked about the trailers and the need to secure dates soon to insure a trailer is available.

*Brien reinforced the use of our Drug Awareness tents at upcoming lodge events.

*Brien indicated we now have an Elroy mascot located in Wausau, Green Bay, and Waukesha. He is still attempting to find out if Madison has one. Lodges need to contact him if they want Elroy at one of their events.

*Brien can secure paper brochures that he can order through Grand Lodge. Copies are now available in Spanish.

*Brien will be ordering pencils, erasers, and rulers for the upcoming year. He hopes to be able to increase the amounts that would be available to lodges. He again hopes to be able to get the materials from Wausau to make it easier for lodges to get materials.

*Posters are due at the May Conference in Green Bay. Information is available on the state website.

*Brien stated that lodges should make sure that Drug Awareness information is being recorded in CLEMS. Many times it only gets recorded under Youth Activities and not under Drug Awareness.

*Watertown Elks had the winning entry for the Enrique Camarena Award. Information was forwarded to Grand Lodge as the Wisconsin entry.

*Brien explained the President Volunteer Award for adults and youth. Lodges should contact Brien for information or forwarding names of deserving individuals.

*Brien indicated there were some dates coming up for lodges to be aware of including National Alcohol Awareness Month in April, National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on April 29, and including drug awareness activities during Elks Youth Week in May.

*Vice Chairman Kathy Gillian provided information on possible posters and bracelets that lodges might consider using.

*Dave Bowen of Milwaukee Lodge gave an update on activities that Milwaukee is doing to assist with the DEA 360 initiative in Milwaukee.

*Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 by Brien.

COMMITTEE REPORT MID WINTER 2017-2
DATE: FEBRUARY 5, 2017
TIME: SUNDAY GENERAL SESSION
COMMITTEE NAME: GRANTS

*Jerry Brien, #962 was named Wisconsin Elks Grant Coordinator at the Fall Conference. It is hoped that Brien can assist lodges in obtaining grants from both Grand Lodge and State. Brien has worked with 5 lodges as well as Kaukauna in obtaining grants to assist their communities. Brien gave a report at the Mid-Winter General Session in Appleton. Brien indicated that lodges are leaving a great deal of money on the table. Here is a break down from Grand Lodge grants as of January 27, 2017.

*There are currently 2 lodges who have not submitted the proper receipts or reports from previous grants and are not currently eligible to apply for grants until it is submitted. (Brien has contacted those lodges to review their information and send in.)

*<u>Gratitude Grants</u>
-13 Lodges have received $31,000
-17 Lodges have left $39,000 not yet secured

*<u>Beacon Grants</u>
-12 Lodges have received $24,000
-18 Lodges have left $36,000 not yet secured

*<u>Promise Grants</u>
-9 Lodges have received $22,500
-2 Lodges were placed on a wait list
-6 Lodges started the process but never submitted

*Impact Grants
-1 Lodge received $10,000 (Oshkosh)
-2 Lodges submitted but were not funded
-1 Lodge started the process but never submitted

*Freedom Grants
-4 Lodges received $8000 (Kaukauna, Eau Claire, Green Bay, and Oshkosh)
-Information not available if any other lodges submitted an application or if their application was not funded.

*State Funds
-it is not currently known how much state monies are left on the table but it is occurring. As an example, the Youth Activities Committee awards each lodge $200 for a youth activity. It has been reported that only a few lodges take advantage of this opportunity while we know that every lodge has probably done a youth activity.

*Business Cards were distributed at the ENF Mid-Winter Conference Meeting and it was reinforced that Brien is there to help.

*Brien is charged to encourage lodges and to offer whatever help he can. He will also secure help from Grand Lodge if needed. In some cases Brien has contacted Grand lodge for advice when there have been questions or if Grand Lodge asks a lodge for more information before approving.

Brien will continue to stress that we benefit in many ways when we sue our grants. Any time we provide help to our communities we are more exposure for the Elks.

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Name of Committee Elks National Foundation Scholarship

Date and Time of Meeting February 4, 2017 - 10 AM

Chairman Andy Olander

Names of Those in Attendance

Andy Olander, Ron Bohn, Patrick Buck, Ivan Craig Jr, Jack Farina, Lizabeth Kaas, Joe Klumb, Sandra Polzin, Sherrie Sasso

Names of those Excused

Norm Behnke, Aaron Holbrook, Kieth Simmons

Not Excused

David Conway, Bob Dustrude, Dave Eulberg,Steve Frasch, Rhonda Larson, Dr Francis Moes, Larry Wisniewski

Visitors

Jim Dickinson, Jeannette Wusterbarth

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Date February 4, 2017

Time 10 AM

Committee Name Andy Olander

Emergency Grants are available, but none have been requested.

Reviewed the Legacy Scholarship Program

Reviewed the MVS program at the Local, District, and State level. State Judging will be 2/11/17 in Oshkosh at 9 AM

Problems that arose were zip code , Lodge Chairs not registered, not understanding the procedures for completing the entry of the selections

Spoke about the ENF support group as being courteous, understanding, responsive, and very helpful.

State Chairs have been sharing thoughts about the new program versus e-mails. They discuss more training for the State Chairs and needing a Committee of State Chairs, ENF and Judging company, to make recommendations for the future contests.

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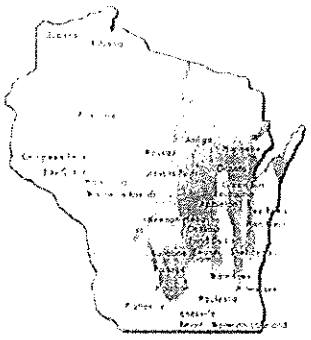

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Chairman
Committee on Credentials and Elections

Name of Committee WISCONSIN ELKS NATIONAL VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION

Date and Time of Meeting 4 FEBRUARY 2017, 9:00AM TO 11:00 AM

Chairman WILLIAM J. WEINSHROTT, PDDGER

Names of Those in Attendance TOM DISALVO, MADISON - JOE HERBER, WAUKESHA, PATRICK MOORE, MILWAUKEE, GLENN LINZMEIER, MARSHFIELD, TOM WIDZINSKI, OSHKOSH - HARVEY LEWIS, BEAVER DAM, MARTY SULLIVAN, WAUSAU, TROY MAGANSON, SUPERIOR, KEN BRUCKNER, SHEBOYGAN, CHARLIE NOTHNAM, SAUCLAIRE, MICHAEL WRIGHT, SHEBOYGAN

Names of Those Excused ADAM KOHLS, CHIPPEWA FALLS, ROBERT RENNELLS, MARSHFIELD, JIM ALGREEN, CHIPPEWA FALLS

Not Excused RALPH ANDERSON, STEVENS POINT,

Visitors GREG MOZER, CHIPPEWA FALLS, STEVE GALLOWAY MADISON, PHIL CLAETBORN, MILWAUKEE, JASON ZELDIS, MANITOWOC,

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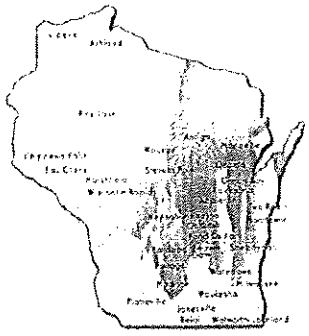

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DATE 4 February 2017

Time 9:00 AM TO 11:00 AM

Committee Name WISCONSIN ELKS NATIONAL VETERAN SERVICE COMMISSION

MONEY REQUEST: PATRICK MOORE, MILWAUKEE #2,500.00, TOM DISALVO, MADISON #750.00, ADAM KOBLS, CHIPPEWA FALLS, #1,000.00, JOE HERRER, WAUKESHA, #750.00 ROBERT REYNELLS, MARSHFIELD, #1,000.00, HARVEY LEWIS, BEAVER DAM, #750.00. #6,750.00 DISBURSED, PATRICK MOORE MOTION MARTY SULLIVAN 2ND APPROVED. W.I. STATE PRESIDENT, COLOR GUARD, LOOKING FOR COAST GUARD MEMBERS CHECK LODGES. PATRICK MOORE MILWAUKEE USED #1300 FROM KEN JOHNSON FISHER HOUSE, #1,500, WHEEL CHAIR GAMES, 30 MEMBERS FROM HOSPITAL FOR BOWLING & FISHERY, TOM DISALVO MADISON, #500 FOR HOMELESS VETS, VETS HOUSE SERVICE STARTED, HARVEY LEWIS BEAVER DAM, GAS CARDS, LEATHER GLOVES AS NEEDED. MARTY SULLIVAN WAUSAU, DEER HIDE T.V. SPOT, EXPLAINING & SHOW USE OF DEER HIDES, COLLECTED 200 TAN HIDES, 24 TAN & 24 UNTAN FROM WAUKESHA, APPROX 300 HIDES, NEED MORE HELP IN WAUSAU, JOE HERRER WAUKESHA, PURCHASED HEARING AMPLIFIERS, AT LODGE 121 VETS DINNER - 52 DEERHIDES COLLECTED. GLENN LINZMEIER MARSHFIELD, AMPLE FUNDS WILLING TO HELP HOSPITAL VETS, NOT MANY REQUEST FOR FUNDS, TOM WIDZINSKI OSHKOSH, RESTRICTED WHAT CAN BE DONE, GIFTS GAS CARDS ARE APPRECIATED. MIKE WRIGHT SHEBOYGAN, VETS DINNER AT LODGE TALK ABOUT DOGS TO DOG TAGS, PROVIDED TO VETS, SHEBOYGAN SHELTER DOGS (COUNTY). PHIL CLANCY MILWAUKEE, USO WORKING WELL, SUPER BOWL PARTY FOR NAVY MEMBERS, MONEY SUPPORT FROM ILLINOIS ELKS, FOOD PREP BEING DONE BY WISCONSIN ELKS. BILL WEINSHROTT SHEBOYGAN, CHAIRMAN, NO CONTACT FROM RALPH ANDERSON WILL FOLLOW UP. GREG MOZER CHIPPEWA FALLS, RECOGNIZED BY STATE OF WISCONSIN FOR THE SUPPORT OF VETERANS IN THE AREA.

SINCERELY, WILLIAM J. WEINSHROTT, CHAIRMAN, PDDGER.

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Feb 4th 2017

ER and Leading Knight Advisory

Introduction of officers

Karl Hanke Chairperson

Nikki Shannon Co-Chairperson

Message to the outgoing ERs

Leave with a great LEGACY so history will remember you as great ER.

Meet with your leading knight

Make sure they are up to date on all topics and all areas that involve the lodge including financials, membership, grant status, ritual, and any projects that are in progress

Just because you are no longer going to be the Exalted Ruler of your lodge does not mean that you are done being a leader in

your lodge. Use what you have learned to guide younger officers and be an ear for future ERs to vent to.

The greatest honor a ER can receive is to be told that his or her replacement is doing a great job. So the very best thing you can do is train your replacement to be then you and that's how we grow as an organization.

State Committees need new officer to help and eventually replace chair officers. Other position for PERs includes district positions such as Auditor, Esquire, and DD

Leading knights – Future ERs

At this point you should have already picked your officers for next year. If you have not done so yet this needs to be a priority

Remember pick potential officers because they have the time willingness and desire to be an officer. Asking you drinking buddy to be an officer just because they are your buddy is not a good option.

Be 100% honest with new officers about the time commitment that is going to be required from them including lodge meetings bog meetings committee meetings conventions and conference and required lodge events.

When you plan your calendar for the year include what events are required and what events are optional. Also, include the dress code for each event so all officers know what is expected of them.

Communication is mega important!!!!!!

Be sure to reply to all emails or phone messages ASAP. If you have an upset member making them wait a day or two before you follow up will only make things worse.

Of you promise to do something them DO IT. Other wise don't promise in the first place.

Communicating to your officers. At the start of every week send out a email to all your officers. Remind them of all the upcoming events and dress codes. As well as any other concerns.

Ritual – Practice, Practice, and practice some more. Encourage your office to do there parts at conventions

Challenge each officer your lodge and then track and announce the results at every bog meeting

Challenge #1 each officer should recruit 2 new members during your year – if your officer don't try to recruit why should anyone else in your lodge try ?

Challenge #2 Attend all meetings – This should go with out saying but an officer who does not attend meetings is not helping your lodge in any possible way.

Challenge #3 state conferences and conventions – not only should they attend but they should go to separate meetings and discuss as a group what has been learned

Ways to be great officers

Shake every members hand every time you at your lodge. – Thank them for attending or helping with events.

Caught cards

Warm fuzzies and pictures use them

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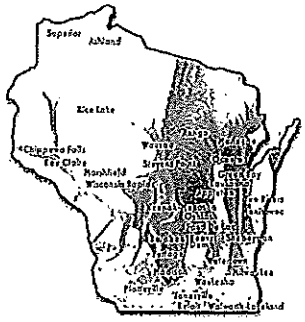

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Name of Committee GOLF

Date and Time of Meeting 2/4/17 0900

Chairman KIERAN "JOE" PURCELL

Names of Those in Attendance

PURCELL, TONY VOULGARIS, DUTCH ENGLESON, DON BEHNKE
ROGER BONHAM

Names of those Excused

~~KEN BARE~~, RON BERTRAND

Not Excused

KEN BARE, TROY COX LEO DUNTON, BOB GREISER
TERESA JUSTMAN, STEVE KRUPA, ADAM SEVERT BOB YOUNG

Visitors

GARY CORNOCH 662, TONY WAMPFLEM 1441, JOE KRUROSS 665
LEE GILE 254 FRANK HAFNER 676 JIM WOLD 402

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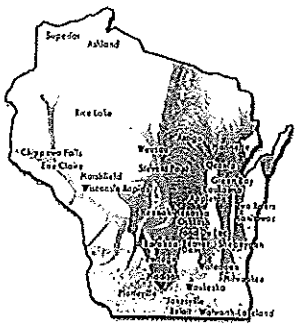

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Date 2/4/17

Time 0900

Committee Name GOLF

REPORT BY PONTIAC LODGE ON UPCOMING OUTING ON JUNE 19th

MANY DISCUSSIONS ON SCORING, PLAY FORMAT, PRIZES

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Name of Committee Govt. Relations

Date and Time of Meeting 2-4-17 8:00-9:00

Chairman James A. Dreblow

Names of Those in Attendance

James A. Dreblow
Thomas Widzinski
Rick & Bonnie Rassbach

Names of those Excused

Bob Rennells

Not Excused

Andy Christman, Jason Ellis, Bill Forrest, Matt Gorsuch, Nancy Larson, Rob Radig, Sr., Robert Schwingle

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Date 2-4-17

Time 8:00-9:00

Committee Name Govt. Relations

Limited discussion of changing tax structure.

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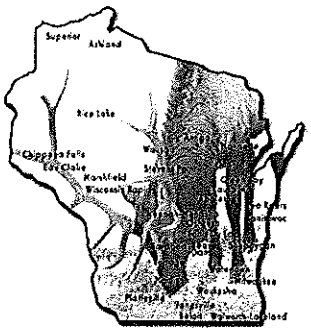

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Name of Committee Grand Lodge Attendance Committee

Date and Time of Meeting 02-04-17 at 8 AM

Chairman Jason Somers

Names of Those in Attendance

See Attached

Names of those Excused

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Not Excused

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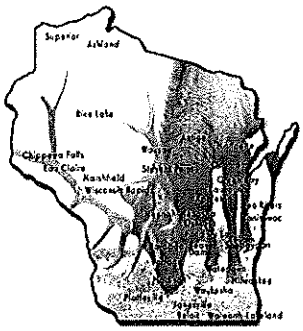

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Date 02-04-2017

Time 11 AM

Committee Name Grand Lodge Attendance Committee

-Opened at 8 am
-Brief review of Houston
-Opened Discussion on Reno 2017
*Wisconsin will be at the Peppermill Resort with 8 other states
*Hospitality Rooms will be located on 16 Floor
*Two Suites for Wisconsin, one for food and one for bar
*Designated load in/out is set for back loading dock, up to 2nd floor, push through hallway and up elevator to 16th floor.
*Started discussion about food and drinks
*DD's will be e-mailed a bartending schedule to talk with their ERs for volunteering
*Will run both a 50/50 Raffle and Prize Raffle
*Donations for prize raffles will be needed
*Truck and trailer will depart for Reno on Monday, July 10
*Wisconsin Night will be on Tuesday
*Depending on Wednesday departures or how many stay will determine what night hospitality room closes and packs up

-Trailer Updates
*Looking at full new graphics to update changes to our state
*Also looking into a new ac unit for trailer

-National Convention Sign Up Booth will be at Spring Convention in GreenBay with all details

-Closed at 8:54 am

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Name of Committee Hoop Shoot

Date and Time of Meeting 2-2-2017 0800

Chairman George A. Myers

Names of Those in Attendance

Gene Musolf, Eugene Wusterbarth, Ron Shannon, Gary Cernoch, Jim Marks, Joe Goldsmith,Thomas Mathias, Dave Crevcoure, Kathy Brien, Darrell Timmerman,Tony Wampler, Lee Gile,Joe Krollos,Tony Voulgaris

Names of those Excused

Susan Guetknecht, RonGauginte

Not Excused

Mark Born, Keri Brogan, Jeffery Anderson, Andy Christman,Robert Yost,Justin Ostrowski,Tom Weimer Hans Walther, Julie Schroeder, Jerry Hanson, Dennis Daley

Visitors

Chad Bormann, Todd Kruger

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Date 2-5-2017

Time 3:00pm

Committee Name Hoop Shoot

Meeting conviened at 0800 with 15 members and 3 guests. We Started with the pledge of allegiance. We welcomed Mr. David Jurmu 1st Vice President of Illinois Elk's to our meeting. We discussed the upcoming State Hoop Shoot meet in Wausau on the 11th of February and encouraged as many as possible to attend.We especially encouraged any Lodge members who have a shooter in the tournement to be there to cheer on their candidate.We also discussed the Regional tournement in Iowa City on the 18th of March and the National Finals in Chicago April 21 and 22. Then Tony Voulgaris took over and discussed about working to get more shooters to our events.We ended up dismissing at 8:40

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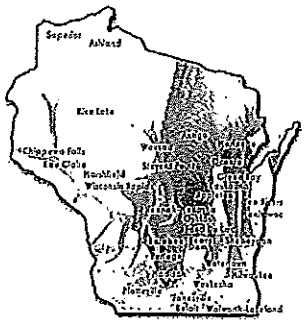

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Name of Committee Legalized Gamine

Date and Time of Meeting 2-4-12 10:00 AM

Chairman Kevin Lonien

Names of Those in Attendance Attach a Copy

Names of those Excused

Not Excused

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COMMITTEE: LEGALIZED GAMING (33)

2017 MID-WINTER - APPLETON

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

Chairman's e-mail			k.lonien@sbcglobal.net		LOCAL LODGE TITLE	
COMMITTEE MEMBERS	CHECK IN		LODGE & NUMBER	FALL CONF		CURRENT E-MAIL
Lonien Kevin - Chair	Ex	S	Milwaukee #46	✓		
Anderson Ralph		NW	WI Rapids #693			
Bahleda Frank III		S	Waukesha #400			
Boss Ken		S	Wal-Lakeland #2201			
Fransisco Jim		C	Baraboo #688			
Gabel Jed		NW	Marshfield #665			
Hanke Karl		NE	Wausau #248			
Hunt Stephen	✓	C	Oshkosh #292	✓		
Kaas Elliot		NW	Eau Claire #402			
Melville Jordan	✓	NE	Green Bay #259	✓		
Reath Scott		C	Fond du Lac #57			
Rowland Carolyn - Vice		C	Portage #675			
Sasso Steve	✓	S	Madison #410			
Swantz Ryan		C	Watertown #666			
Van Wyk Steve		C	Sheboygan #299			
Widzinski Tom - Advisor	✓	C	Oshkosh #292	✓		
Willis Bob		NE	Stevens Point #641			
GUESTS						
Bertrand Ronald			Waukesha #400	✓		
Bokovitz June			Madison #410	✓		
Jiracek Jim			Milwaukee #46	✓		
Koles Jim	✓		Antigo #662	✓		
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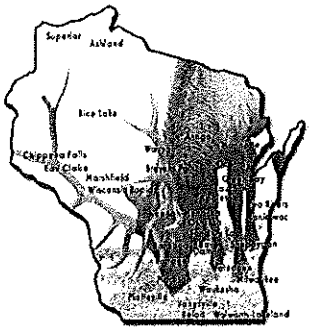

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Name of Committee Lodge Activities

Date and Time of Meeting 02-04-2017 at 11 am

Chairman Jason Somers

Names of Those in Attendance

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Names of those Excused

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Visitors

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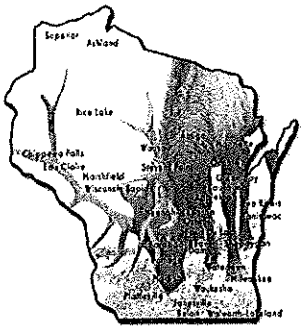

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Date 02-04-2017

Time 11:00 AM

Committee Name Lodge Activities

-Opened at 11:06 AM
-Antler Program discussion
*For Manual and details, contact Norm Behnke
*For ages 12-20
*Great way to enhance community outreach
-All American Lodge Contest
*Forms due to your DD by March 15
*DD's then return to Chairman of Lodge Activities by April 1
-Local Lodge Community Project Report
*Due to State President by May 1
-Traveling Gavel Rules Discussion
*New Rules will take place by the time DDs get installed at National Convention
*Gavel does not have to be handed over at lodge meeting, can be delivered during a member event
-Grand Exalted Ruler Awards
-Mini Golf Fund-raiser by Watertown
*9 holes available
*Will talk to Greg about having a few holes available for Spring Convention
*Pictures of set up
-Round Table Discussion of lodge events, fund-raiser and activities
-Grand Lodge Attendance available for lodge events, parades and etc. Can even park in front of lodge for a few weeks.
-Closed at 11:48 AM
Respectfully Submitted - Jason Somers Chariman

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Name of Committee Lodge Trustee Training

Date and Time of Meeting February 4, 2017 11:00 am

Chairman Tom DiSalvo

Names of Those in Attendance

Jim Koles - Antigo 662, Todd Kagelmann - Appleton 337, Jim Staskal - Beaver Dam 1540, Dale Fulton - Janesville 254,
Jason Zeddies - Manitowoc 687, Ernie Bellin - Neenah-Menasha 676, Jeff Bjerke - Waukesha 400, Ron Bohn - Wisconsin Rapids 693

Names of those Excused

None

Not Excused

Ashland 137, Baraboo 688, Beloit 864, Chippewa Falls 1326, Eau Claire 402, Fond du Lac 57, Green Bay 259, Kaukauna 962,
Madison 410, Marinette 1313, Marshfield 665, Milwaukee 46, Oconto 887, Oshkosh 292, Platteville 1460, Portage 675,
Rice Lake 1441, Sheboygan 299, Stevens Point 641, Superior 403, Two Rivers 1380, Walworth/Lakeland 2201, Watertown 666, Wausau 248,

Visitors

Jim Wold - Eau Claire 402, Mike Meyer - Watertown 666, Josh Kitty - Marshfield 665, Jim Roth - Waukesha 400

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Date February 4, 2017

Time 11:00 am

Committee Name Lodge Trustee Training

The meeting was called to order at 11:04 am followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
Accident and Prevention Vice Chair Jim Staskal presented the current Accident & Prevention Newsletter. There was brief discussion about the Trustee's role as the responsible party for this committee. Discussed the importance of filling out the monthly inspection reports.
We held an open discussion about starting the budget for the new Elk year and the importance of obtaining a balanced budget and how to achieve that.
Discussion on individual Lodge problems and how to solve them by following the statutes.

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 pm.
Respectfully submitted,
Tom DiSalvo
Lodge Trustee Training Chair

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COMMITTEE REPORT

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Date Feb. 4, 2017

Time 10:00 a.m.

Committee Name Membership & Lapsation

Meeting called to order at 10:05 & pledge was said.

Dave Jurmu , 1st Vice President from Illinois, talked about ways to gain membership- Have a card(which all lodges received at Sept. Conference) to show listed Elk projects & have your name & phone number on so they can call you. Target groups like teachers, police, firefighters, etc.

Discussion on having events of interest for younger people to join such as Trivia nights. Wausau has gained 17 members this way.

Bob Bohnsack suggested posting & promoting Come & See.

Make indoctrination & initiations special-Don't hold on meeting night.

Use social media (I'm an Elk site)

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By this time everyone should have enjoyed their holidays and are back to business as usual. Hope you all received lots of presents and had a joyous season.

Since the Fall Conference I have had the opportunity to visit more lodges in the district with our State President on his tour. Our Kaukauna Lodge is small but very active in the community. It is from this lodge that I learned of the power that comes from using ENF grants. My lodge now applies for and receives the grants that allow us impact our community. The visit included a "white elephant sale" which was a small fundraiser. I was impressed with the pensions our past state presidents receive as they were very aggressive in their bidding. On to my home lodge in Green Bay where again the Disabled American Veterans chapter was invited to join in the festivities. They were given gas cards in the amount of over $700 to help with their medical transportation. Oconto Lodge was the following day. I couldn't make their annual venison feast, but they served over 160 members of the community. There was no shortage of past state presidents in attendance as this is a popular outing for them. Antigo Lodge finishes off the year. As usual, the dinner was terrific. That morning they had their "Christmas with Santa" for the local Boys and Girls Club. The lodge does a very good job of promoting themselves and their projects to the community.

With November being National Veterans Month, lodges in the district did a wonderful job of hosting dinners for their local veterans or taking care packages to them. With Christmas approaching our sharing has turned to providing events for the children and care packages for the less fortunate. As always, lodges in the district continue to share and care.
Fraternally,
Dave Crevcoure
VP Northeast District

Vice President mid winter report 2017
Nate Levenhagen WEA Northwest

As of this date i have 2 more lodges in my district to visit with Pres. Rob. those being Stevens Point and Wisc. Rapids, i sure hope the weather will cooperate on March 31st and April 1st (April fools day). The lodges in our vast northwest are doing well, Chippewa Falls celebrated its 100th anniversary of service to its community this year, veterans dinner saw a 40% increase in participation, a beacon grant has allowed the lodge to partner with the Chippewa Humane association to educate youth in proper care and vaccination of there pets. The lodge has also seen an increase in the Hoop shoot contest.

Eau Claire 402 has seen a large increase in its local hoop shoot contest. The lodge delivers over 1,200 dictionaries to third graders in 40 schools. The lodge had a tremendous presence in the Eau Claire city wide memorial day parade, I was able to ride with George Myers our state Pres. elect as he pulled the Elks Drug Awareness trailer, and we passed out goodies to the waiting children along the route.

Rice Lake has a tremendous youth presence in the community, partnering with the Boy Scouts, and the local schools. There hoop shoot program is under the leadership of a newly initiated Elk, He has really done a bang up job with this program. The lodge holds a monthly community breakfast, open to members and

there guests with proceeds going to a local charity, or a needy member, such is the case with the February breakfast where all proceeds will be given to the widow and her family, of our local slain Sheriff deputy Dan Glaze. I need to mention this is all volunteer run. Four new members have just joined the Elks in #1441 and before leaving that evening 3 of them were already signed up and involved in the upcoming activities at the lodge.

Ashland and Superior did a combined Pres. visit in Ashland. Lodge #403 and #137 are very active with the veterans and youth of the northern part of this great state. I was not able to attend this visit as my wife was having medical issues at the time, my apologies to you all, however I have known both of these lodges for many years and they like all of the lodges in the northwest district are very dedicated to the principles of our Elkdom moto. Elks Care, Elks Share.

Now Marshfield #665 is a lodge on the move in there community, They do hi-way 13 clean up, are exploring the possibility of assisting the big brothers, big sisters program. Marshfield #665 awarded 22 seniors scholarships from money raised by the lodge itself, and more scholarships from the State level.

I was able to attend the district hoop shoot this last weekend, held in Chippewa Falls. Attendance of Elks was great, including ER's from Rice Lake, Chippewa Falls and Eau Claire, this event drew a large crowd of

spectators to cheer on the free throw contestants. In closing I am looking forward to our last two visits of this WEA Elk year, and will report to you in May about how Stevens Point and Wis. Rapids are "ELKS BEING PROUD, BEING LOUD." Keep up the great work. As always Elks Care, Elks Share, Elks Serve.

Nate Levenhagen
WEA VP Northwest

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Name of Committee Officer Training

Date and Time of Meeting February 4, 2017

Chairman Jeannie Lange, Baraboo #688

Names of Those in Attendance

Pat Moran-Milw. #46, Don Svoma -Wauk #400, Bob Willis-St. Point #641

Names of those Excused

Jackie Heitman-Ptg #675, Pam Scheidvy- Oshkosh #292, Steve Schultz-Marshfield #665, Dick Sislo-Superior #403

Not Excused

Chuck Berens-Wausau #248, George Harper-Green Bay #259, Leah Kostuck- Platteville #1460, Dan Rostollan-Sheboygan #299, Ron Shannon - Beaver Dam #1540 (Advisor)

Visitors

Pam Moran - Milw #46, Richard Olson - Madison #410, Scott Waldhart - St. Point # 641, Don Putnam-Rice Lake #1441, Dale Krenz - Wausau #248,
Tom Weller- St.Point #641, John Mijal - Wausau #248 , Josh Kilty - Marshfield #665, Rob Radig - Beaver Dam #1540

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Date February 4, 2017

Time 10:00 AM

Committee Name Officer Training

The meeting opened on time with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 4 committee members and 8 guests present. We discussed the possibility of changing this from a Committee Meeting to the Lecturing/Loyal Knight Advisory session. There was a lively discussion with great input from everyone present. All present agreed that an Advisory session would be greatly beneficial and all would like to see the Officer Training Test re-implemented. Another suggestion was that those present would like to see an Officer Training Clinic/Seminar held on Saturday Afternoon at the Mid-Winter Conference. It was agreed that the current Officer Training Manual needs updating. I have asked those in attendance to review the manual and offer suggested changes. The overall feeling is that upcoming officers need a more complete understanding of their responsibilities and give value to the position they hold.

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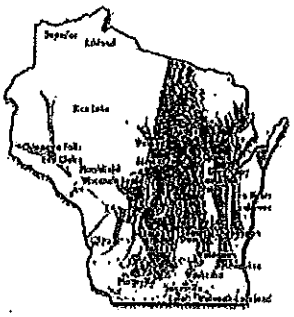

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Name of Committee Publicity + Public Relations

Date and Time of Meeting 9 AM 02-04-17

Chairman Aaron Holbrook

Names of Those in Attendance
Sherry Bellin, Susan Farina, Jim Francisco
Elliott Kaas,

Names of those Excused
Cindy Yardley, Kate Rennells, Chad Bormann
Ron Bernard

Not Excused

Visitors
Robbie Johnson, Dale Krenz David Bowen,
Bill Jorgensen, Rick Rassbach, Nate Levenhagen
Tony Vbolgaris

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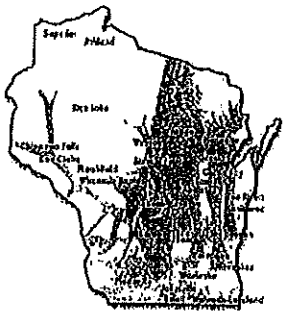

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Date 02/04/17

Time 9 AM

Committee Name Publicity/Public Relations

There was discussion of lodge brochures and how they can be used effectively. Grand Lodge offers a brochure generating option. Every lodge secretary should have received an email with information about this.

A list of facebook tips was handed out. Lodges should actively manage their facebook pages.

The PR committee will purchase a projector for use at conferences.

There was discussion of lodge success stories:

- Watertown Building Anniversary
- Rice Lake volunteer breakfast
- Milwaukee will be part of old time radio show
- Milwaukee held holiday party for homeless

Tony Vaulgaris suggested getting Elks stickers that can be placed on receipts to show Elks spend $$ locally.

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Date February 4, 2017

Time 8:05 am

Committee Name Recreation at State Conferences & Conventions

The committee was called to order by Chair Doug Vavricka. Attendance was noted and pledge recited.

Minutes from the September 2016 Convention were read and accepted.

The checking account balance is currently $1,057.46 Bank was bought out so checking account is no longer free. Had to purchase checks for $14.77

The game today will be the Golf Ball Toss w/ cup glued in the middle. 3 golf balls to toss and most balls in the cup wins. $1 per game or 6 games for $5.
1st prize Historical Centennial Decanter (empty-donated by Doug Vavricka) 2nd prize $25.

Requests presented from: Platteville #1460, Beaver Dam #1540, & Kaukauna #962
Motion by Doug Vavricka 2nd by by Gina Staskal to approve $100.00 per Lodge. Approved.

Committee discussed the DIRE need for active committee members with advisor Ken Bruckner. Committee Chair has requested help in the form of a letter from several of the last State Presidents - with no results. Ken said that he would talk with George Meyer, SP-Elect, to see what can be done about the situation. With only 2 active committee members, the whole committee is in danger of disbanding.

Motion to adjourn by Gina Staskal, 2nd by Doug Vavricka, both in favor. Committee adjourned at 8:19 am.

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Name of Committee Ritualistic Exemplification

Date and Time of Meeting 2/04/2017 8:00 AM

Chairman Ben Godlewski

Names of Those in Attendance

Ben Godlewski	Jason Ellis	Jackie Heitman	Todd Kostuck
Jeannie Lang	Ryan Swantz	Gregg Vosswinkel	

Names of those Excused

Dennis Daley	Kevin Lonien	Darlene Seidner

Not Excused

Chuck Berens

Visitors

Roger Quinn, Area 5 Ritual Chairman
Bill Jorgensen, ER Janesville

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Date 2/04/2017

Time 8:00 AM

Committee Name Ritualistice Exemplification

Opened Meeting at 8:00 AM

Discussed the morning competitions.

Discussed the afternoon clinic.

Roger Quinn, Area 5 Chairman, talked about ritual.

Mentioned the passing of member Bruce Somers.

General Discussion.

Closed meeting at 8:45 AM.

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To the Wisconsin Elks Association Board.

Since we met last we passed through the holiday season. This time of the year our lodges struggle to hold meetings, holiday events, spend time with our families and deal with the unpredictable weather. The lodges of the south district were as active as ever. Meals were served to the needy. Toys, clothing and money collected for those less fortunate families.

With the New Year we honored our veterans and our members with military service with dinners, awards and even shelter for the homeless and other activities.

Fundraising is strong in our lodges with continued commitment to the E.N.F, Benevolent Fund and Our State major Project. We had a good showing at our District Hoop Shoot event. With children representing all but one of our lodges and we had members from all but one of our operating lodges and more workers then we had jobs for. I would also like to thank the ladies for providing a wonderful lunch for the kids.

State president has visited six of our seven lodges and a great time was had by all, wonderful food, fun and music and great support of the first ladies fund raiser. And we all look forward to the last visit of our district at Platteville.

And now on to membership. Milwaukee lodge is working hard bringing in new members and Can boast having the top recruiter in the state. Three other lodges showed a net gain and one a Net loss and sadly the closing and loss of Walworth – Lakeland.

I was recently asked why I don't report on the state of the members. And was challenged to Do so by this person. So I began to asked members of the lodges when I travel about. As you might think you can get many responses and they can change day to day. But with the aid of all the forms we have for communicating with one another I got a good generalization of the mood of our members. Responses ranged from guardedly optimistic, hopeful, wait and see, confused, angry, and the person who challenged me to include this felt strongly betrayed. I did my part and reported your feelings and they will go on file.

In closing I hope everyone is listening. We are at a point in time that some day we might look back on and say there was the day we stopped closing lodges and grew our membership and just maybe reopened some old lodges.

Respectfully,

Jeffrey A Boss
Vice President South District.
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Date 2-4-17

Time 9:00a.m.

Committee Name Youth activities

Meeting was called to order at 9:06am. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by chairman Burmeister followed by roll call of those present. Committee members present: James Burmeister, Robert Jacobs, Ray Diehl,. Committee members Excused: Behnke, Berens,Dreshek,Miller,Radig Sr,Schulze,Widzinski. Guests Present:Ken Boss,Jerry Brien,Kathy Gillen,Gene Musolf,Tom Mathies,Ernie Bellin,Joel Hinze,Gary Baker.

The minutes of the fall conference were read and approved.

A reminder to all lodges requesting reimbursement for unfunded youth activities that they have to be in before March 1st.

Lodges holding a soccer shoot and jr. golf please have your reimbursements in by March 1st.

There was discussion on the book "Frame Work of Your Wisconsin Government" for 7th. graders. Further discussion will take place at the May Convention in May.

Motion to adjourn and second at 9:30a.m.

Respectively submitted
James Burmeister Chairman

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Name of Committee U.S. Constitution Scholarship Committee

Date and Time of Meeting 9:00 AM Saturday February 4, 2016

Chairman Jeffrey J. Julka

Names of Those in Attendance

Jeff Julka, Tim Groll, Ron Bohn, Sandra Polzin, Charlie Notham, Pat Buck, Andy Olander,

Names of those Excused

Steve Frasch, Bob Goetsch, Donna Luety, Ivan Craig, Carl Mercer, Sue Vavricka, Dr. Francis Moes,

Not Excused

Roger Bradner, Chris Nielsen, Dave Nitzo, Gary Sheahan, Tom Weller

Visitors

Bob Willis, Joe Klumb, Ron Whalen, Dan DesJardin, Gregg Breese, Kathy Brien, Jim Koles,

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Date February 4, 2017

Time 9:00 AM

Committee Name U.S. Constitution Committee

Meeting called to order by Chr Julka at 9:00AM. Roll Call taken. Introductions of Visitors. Review & approval of 2/17/16 Committee Meeting Minutes, Review of deadline date 3/9/17 for Registration forms for state final due to committee chair Julka, Review of date/time/locations of State Test 11:00 AM Sunday March 26, 2017 at six regional test sites: Rice Lake #1441, Wausau # 248, Janesville #254, Green Bay #259, Oshkosh # 292, Waukesha #400. Budget request discussion conducted, input from Trustees discussed, Trustees will review request and make recommendation at May Convention, discussed revision of awards structure based upon input from Trustees. Open discussion from floor on issues/problems/successes. Scholarship award checks will be mailed to local chairman in May following budget approval at Convention for distribution to students. Further discussion for Good of the Order. Meeting adjourned with all present reciting the Preamble to the Constitution.

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Wisconsin Elks Association
U.S. Constitution Committee
Report to the General Session
February 4, 2017

Jeff Julka, Sheboygan 299
Chairman

Pat Buck, Neenah-Menasha 676
Vice Chairman

2017 State U.S. Constitution Contest

- the materials to conduct your local qualifying tests were provided to the lodges in Sept.
- the registration forms designating the local winner from each lodge are due to the State Chairman by Thursday March 9th
- State Contest time & date: Sunday March 26th 11:00 AM
- State Contest will again be conducted simultaneously at 6 regional sites (the test sites have been selected geographically with the intent to reduce travel time & travel expense for student participants)
- Test Sites:

Region	Location
NW	Rice Lake # 1441
C	Wausau # 248
SW	Janesville #254
NE	Green Bay # 259
EC	Oshkosh # 292
SE	Waukesha #400

Our committee & particularly the participating high school seniors thank the Trustees & you the members of the State Assn for your support of this scholarship program. Last year we distributed $24,500 in scholarship awards as a result of this program. When you are asked at the May Convention to approve the Assn Budget be sure to focus on the investment we are making in the future of our country thru scholarships for the next generation of our country's leaders (and the potential future members of our organization).

We look forward to participation from all 30 lodges in the program this year. It is not too late to conduct your local qualifying contest and select the student to represent your lodge in the 2017 State Contest. (for questions regarding the contest and/or for assistance in setting up a local program contact myself or any committee member)

Don't be one of those lodges that fails to participate and thus deprives students from your area the opportunity to share in these scholarship awards.

The balance of my report will be submitted electronically to the secretary.

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Date February 4, 2017

Time 9:00 Am

Committee Name WEA State Major Project

We met at 9:00 AM, Vice Chairman Jaye Franklin presiding. We opened with the pledge, a prayer and a moment of silence for Bruce Somers. Leah gave the Secretary's report. Cindy gave the Treasurer's report.
Building report on the Bathroom work was given, project is moving forward looks like it will be complete very soon.
Raffle Program/Donation Letter - Donation letter continues to raise about the same amount as the raffle did. Will discuss in May on next steps.
Kristi reported on Campers for Camp Wabeek, copy attached.
Bob Yost reported on Poster children, all seems to be well with them.
Planned the ER March, raised about $17,000.00 for State Major Project.
Dates to be added to the calendar:
Camp Cleanup Saturday May 13, 2017 - asked for as many people to help as possible, thought we could do this in honor of Bruce Sommers.
Easter Seals will be having a Spaghetti Diner in April - they will forward additional information to us.
Elk Day will be Saturday, June 24, 2017, it is also the 25th Anniversary of the respite camp.
Meeting Closed at 9:50 AM

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Name of Committee WEA State Major Project

Date and Time of Meeting February 4, 2017 @ 9:00 AM

Chairman Ray Dabler

Names of Those in Attendance

Jaye Franklin, Dave Crecoure, Micheal Glowacki, Leah Kostuck, Jef langton, Arnie Luechau, George Myers, H. Paul O'Brien,
Cindy Whalen, Mike Wright, and Robert Yost.

Names of those Excused

Ray Dabler, Kristiee Barbian, Bill Forrest, Carol Madsen, Ora, Payne, Pam Schedivy,

Not Excused

Cindi Bilke, Jeff Boss, Nate Levenhageh, Mary Runde,

Visitors

Rob Radig Sr., Davi Jarmu 1st Vice President - Illinois

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WISCONSIN ELKS ASSOCIATION
STATE MAJOR PROJECT MEETING
September 17, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ray Dabler, at 9:00 am with prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the April 30, 2016 meeting were reviewed and approved by the Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer, Cindy Whalen reported the receipts and expenditures from the Major Project checking and money market accounts. The checking account balance as of 8/31/2016 was $10,113.79 and the raffle account was $2,470.99. The balance in the Money Market Account was $35,807.12.

Cindy summarized the income statement and balance sheet. Revenue reported for the period was $14,602.69, expenses of $5,898.00, for net income as of August 31, 2016 of $8,704.69.

The balance sheet shows total assets of $48,391.90, liabilities of $0.00 and total equity of $48,391.90.

As of this meeting, we had not received the annual support payment of $40,000.00 from the Board of Governors.

Paul O'Brion made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, Michael Glowacki seconded. Motion carried.

Ray reported that we are waiting for notification from the Grand Trustees of an allocation to the Major Project from the closing of the Racine Lodge. There was discussion as to how we should invest the funds until they are needed. Suggestions included putting a portion in a contingency fund and hold the remainder in a segregated account. Further research will be done to determine an appropriate investment option for these funds.

500/1000/2000 REPORT: Ray reminded the Committee that 500/1000/2000 stickers are available.

BUILDING BOARD REPORT: The dining room is now complete, and the air conditioning has been installed. The next phase will include updating the bathrooms and building a canopy attached to the dining facility. A motion was made by Bruce Somers and seconded by Bob Yost to obtain bids for the bathroom remodel. Motion carried.

The roof project for the Southeast cabin is completed.

MAJOR PROJECT PIN SALES: Bob Bohnsack reported we have made $2,931.00 so far from pin sales. First Lady Michelle Radig is also selling her First Lady pin to go towards the Bruckner Bohnsack Campership Fund.

RAFFLE PROGRAM REPORT: The Committee discussed various fund raising options. The Committee elected to do another mail fundraising campaign. We may also do another raffle at the May Convention.

CAMP REPORT: In Kristi Barbian's absence, Ray reported that Kristi will be contacting the 2 individuals currently on the waiting list to see if they still want to attend camp.

POSTER CHILDREN REPORT: Bob Yost gave his report of the former campers he had contacted. He also reminded the Committee that a Respite family will be attending the Mid-Winter Conference.

OLD BUSINESS: Wisconsin Rapids Lodge made a donation of $5,123.00 for the cost of replacing the cabin roof.

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Jaye Franklin and seconded by George Myers to purchase advertising on the place mats for the Pancake Breakfast.

Elks Day at the camp will be held on Saturday, June 24, 2017. This will be the 25th anniversary of Respite so there may be a special program to commemorate the anniversary.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Roman Baca made a donation to the Major Project of $1,123.20 from the pull tabs he had collected. Walworth-Lakeland Lodge made a donation of $1,265.00 from their dessert auction.

Easter Seals office has moved to Excelsior Drive in Madison.

Ray is looking into whether the Major Project should file a Form 1943 to register as a charitable organization with the Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions. He will have Jeff Langton look into this.

Motion to adjourn was made by Bruce Somers, George Myers seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned:

Respectfully submitted:

Leah Kostuck
Secretary