



2026 February LEC
Lodge Executive Committee

February 22nd, 2026
7:00 pm EST/ 6:00 pm CST

→ Attendees (youth reps.)

Lodge Officers:

- Lodge Chief
- Vice Chief of Administration
- Vice Chief of Membership
- Vice Chief of Service
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Chapters:

- Awsu Netopolis
- Four Fires
- Iron Feather
- Seneca
- Tseyedin
- Twin Buffalo
- Wapiti

Service Committees:

- Ceremonies
- Culinary
- Elangomat
- Camp Service

Admin Committees:

- Spring Pow-Wow
- Fall Fellowship
- Training
- Winter Banquet

Membership Committees:

- Brotherhood
- Vigil
- Unit Elections and Camp Promotions

Secretary Committees:

- Content Creation
- Digital Media
- Print Publications

Treasury Committees:

- Trading Post
- trade-o-ree

Special Committees:

- Registration

→ Agenda

1) Welcome

- a) Role Call Abby Carrier
- b) Opening Business
- c) Lodge Chief Remarks
- d) Minutes Abby Carrier
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- e) Financial Report Ayden Skees
[Lodge acct stmt as of 01312026.pdf](#)
[205 budget approved 22 feb.pdf](#)
- f) Membership Report Taylor Geist
Taylor was not here to give membership report, but membership is said to be doing pretty well.

2) Committee Reports

- a) Vice Chief of Administration Dylan Skees
A few people needed to join the meeting for the spring powwow to help with planning.
 - i) Spring Pow Wow
Finalizing Spring powwow schedule tonight. If there is something not previously talked about, need at 9 pm tonight.
 - ii) Fall Fellowship
 - iii) Training
 - iv) Winter Banquet
- b) Vice Chief of Membership Taylor Geist
 - i) Brotherhood
 - ii) Vigil
 - iii) Unit Elections/Camp Promotions
- c) Vice Chief of Service Rhett Chanda
 - i) Ceremonies
 - ii) Culinary

iii) Elangomat

iv) Camp Service

d) Secretary

Abby Carrier

i) Content Creation

ii) Digital Media

iii) Print Publications

e) Treasurer

Ayden Skees

i) Trading Post

ii) Trade-O-Ree

f) Special Committees

Grayson Lightfoot

i) Registration

3) Chapter Reports

Taylor Geist

- a) Awsu Netopolis
- b) Four Fires
- c) Iron Feather
- d) Seneca
- e) Tseyedin
- f) Twin Buffalo
- g) Wapiti

4) Old Business

Grayson Lightfoot

- a) Parliamentary procedure update

Grayson Lightfoot

Hopefully saw the message on Slack for parliamentary procedure. Took much deliberation in order to come to a solution for what works best for the Lodge. Grayson attended SLS and met with Lodge Key 3 where they talked about how to continue and what to continue the focus of these discussions that have happened over the past few months. Came to the conclusion that the arguments and discussions about what parliamentary procedure to use, who gets to motion what, and how they get to do it takes away from what we are trying to achieve. Have full faith in the LEC to run a meeting effectively in order to get business covered. Will continue to use Robert's Rules of Order and not abuse it. Grayson takes personal responsibility to make sure that it is not abused, and we use it well.

Grayson opened the floor for questions and discussion.

Jon discussed that the bylaws committee would use Robert's Rules of Order for small boards with one person being against it. It has been brought to attention that the document is too big for the general LEC member or parliamentarian to understand. He then states that even though it is in our bylaws, it does not mean we can't amend them to serve the entirety of the LEC.

Grayson replied that through the course of their discussion, they found that the debates took away from what was important and what we meant to go over. However, we are still on how we amend our bylaws, and that would be a decision of the LEC through the LEC. However, Grayson states he has full confidence in our lodge to operate efficiently regardless of what we're using.

Megan then said that it was her understanding from the last LEC that we would be voting on two documents to use. She asked what the thought process behind as to why we aren't voting on them in this meeting.

Grayson replied that the reason why we're not putting up a vote is that the whole discussion and debate, including the two documents, was taking away from the purpose of our meetings and the purpose of why we have this discussion. Another reason that these documents aren't up is because the Key 3 could not reach an agreement on the kinds of documents to vote on.

Dylan then points out that in Grayson's message in Slack that from government meetings to school boards everyone uses Robert's Rules of order. Dylan asks why we have to be like everyone else.

He then asks members of the LEC to raise their hand if they do not fully understand Robert's Rules of Order.

10/15 youth raise their hand.

Dylan then says that Grayson has a large amount of LEC members raising their hands. Grayson then states that we're not here to vote on an issue right now, and that he appreciates Dylan gathering opinions.

Dylan then states that it isn't a vote.

Grayson then says that Dylan is gathering opinions through votes, and he asks Dylan to stop. Grayson says he is happy to answer questions and move through the process as intended. He then says he is happy to answer Dylans question. He says the answer to Dylan's question is that we are a board and we govern ourselves in the same way as everyone else. We are special in how we operate and move forward with a certain level of pride in our organization. As a lodge, we are just another lodge and we intend to move forward the same way as everyone else. He says that we have a significant amount of youth to move forward into bigger positions and roles in a wide variety of places, and that this is to prepare the youth for the future.

Dylan then asks, if there are multiple people on the LEC, that the LEC is Grayson's committee, why is Grayson not going to listen to his committee members? Dylan then says that there are a handful of people who have tried to help him understand and see that they want to make a change, so why not let us make a change?

Grayson then responds that the real answer is that he has talked with many members of the LEC and a lot of other people to make this decision and that it was not made lightly. Grayson then says that he has nothing against change and he hopes we can move past this issue and move on to what is important, which is the whole reason to come to a final decision. To move past the debate and arguments.

He then states that he will take about two more questions and then move on to the next order.

Richard then states that his interpretation from the last LEC is that we weren't allowed to use Robert's Rules of Order anymore. He asks if that was still in place and decided.

Grayson replies that was a conversation he had with Scott Skees in December where he advised to move away from Robert's Rules of Order. Grayson says that he was able to talk with him and the rest of the key 3 later and the decision was amended in order to move on.

Scott Skees then begins to say that this conversation will be tabled until March because the LEC is not wanting the answer that Grayson is giving. Scott advises that everyone who is on the LEC, if they want to change, then they need to write out what they want, not anybody else, and bring it to the LEC in person. He then says to Grayson that he needs to be open to his committee and everyone else needs to be Scout Oath and Law compliant. He says to be nice, kind, and think of others when you write your opinion. He then states that we have been dealing with this since September. He then says that the Key 3 did not make this decision and that they advised Grayson to move forward using the Scout Oath and Law, and that if he wanted to follow the guidance, then he has to help use the guidance that was given from SLS. Angel attended with him, and she is going to support him with them, and we are going to do what we're given nationally. He then says that to listen to Grayson and advises that Grayson listen to his committee. He then says to move forward with the meeting and to end the conversation about Robert's Rules of Order.

b) Conclave Bus Denial

Grayson Lightfoot

There were not enough results to justify the cost of the bus, so it was denied.

5) New Business

a) Lodge Budget

Ayden Skees

We have \$45,658.41 from January 31, 2026.

The budget report has a breakdown of where the budget goes and how much committees have to spend. From 2025, \$9,086.74, and from 2026, the same amount from the beginning.

Starting the year off strong.

Main sources of income are from membership dues and event payment, along with trading post sales.

Total projected income for this year is \$69,925.

So far, we've collected \$14,610.

Largest project costs include LLD, lodge operations, training, food, supplies, program materials, and trading post events.

Total projected expenses are \$161,692.50, and we've spent \$2809 so far.

Projecting a surplus of \$8,235 and a predicted end of year balance \$47,319.24

At this time, financially stable and operating within our budget.

Ayden opens the floor for questions.

Mr. Phillips asks how much of our dues have to be sent to National for each member.

Aydan says that \$7 of our dues will be sent to National.

Brandon Hayes asks that the National Council of Chiefs (NCO) have a line on the budget, though it will not have one on schedule for the next four years. And if there is a reason for it to be on the budget.

Aydan replies that it is in the budget for transparency reasons.

Motion to amend the proposed budget to have 6000 dollars for the Winter Banquet from the NCO funds.

Motion passed.

Motion to approve 2026 Lodge Budget as amended.

Motion passed.

b) Info from SLS

Grayson Lightfoot

Grayson attended the Section Leadership Summit (SLS) in January. Conclave will be at Camp Currier in 2026. As a lodge, we would need to bring rope, bandanas, easter eggs, first aid kits, and bald caps. August 28-30 at Camp Buck Toms, there will be a New Induction Experience. Section hosting weekend to go over and explain it. Started section promo video contest, enter a video under 1 minute to promote Conclave. Website contest. Chop'd challenge at conclave. Newsletter contest.

Grayson opened the floor for questions.

Richard asked for the numbers the lodge expected to bring to Conclave. Grayson replied with 70 people being the goal for Conclave.

c) Trade-O-Ree officer change

Grayson/Dylan

Dylan discussed how in our current bylaws the Treasurer has the oversight over Trade-O-Ree. Dylan simply stated that it would be simpler for all events to be under the Vice Chief of Administration, including Trade-O-Ree.

Motion to change the oversight of TOR from the Treasurer to the Admin

Motion passed.

Announcement that the Administration committee had a vacant position for Winter banquet, and that the spot has been filled.

The new Winter Banquet chairman is Joe W.

Motion to close new business

Motion Passed.

6) Staff Adviser's Minute

Daniel Hanson

N/A

7) Lodge Adviser's Minute

Scott Skees

Good job.

8) Closing

Grayson Lightfoot

Have full confidence in the LEC. Help others, and do your due diligence. Look forward to seeing everyone in March.

Meeting adjourned at 752 pm.

