

SUSQUEHANNOCK LODGE OFFICER CANDIDACY PETITION FORM

PERSONAL DATA

Name _____ Birthdate _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Ordeal Brotherhood Vigil

CANDIDATE INTENTIONS

I will be under the age of 21 during the entire term of office. I am an actively registered member of the BSA and the OA in Susquehannock Lodge XI, and am interested in running for a lodge office.

I plan to attend all lodge functions during my term.

Candidate signature

Date

APPROVAL TO RUN FOR OFFICE*

Parent (if under 18 years old)

Date

It is my belief that I can discharge the duties of a lodge officer because:

As a lodge officer, I would like to make a significant contribution to Scouting and the Order of the Arrow through the following initiatives:

This form is to be submitted to the Lodge Adviser prior to nomination. Keep a copy for your records.

RULE I.

ELIGIBILITY, NOMINATION, SELECTION OF OFFICERS AND APPOINTEES

A. All lodge officers must meet the following eligibility requirements:

1. A registered member, in good standing, of the Order of the Arrow and the Boy Scouts of America within the lodge who has the approval, in writing and in advance of being nominated, of his parents or legal guardian.
2. Younger than 21 during his entire term of office.

B. Nominations for lodge officers may be made by any registered youth member, in good standing, of the Order of the Arrow and the Boy Scouts of America within the lodge, when nominations are declared open at any meeting of the lodge executive committee or lodge meeting. Nominations shall require no second. Nominations for each office shall be closed only once - just before balloting for that office.

C. A lodge meeting shall be held at the spring fellowship to elect lodge officers. The newly elected officers shall take office at the end of the fall ordeal weekend during the lodge meeting; and their terms shall expire at the end of the fall ordeal. The following election procedures shall be used:

1. After the nominations for a given office are declared closed, all members in attendance who are younger than 21 shall cast their vote by secret ballot.
2. In no case shall adults vote. Telephone, Email, or other electronic votes are not permitted.
3. A nominee must receive a majority (one vote more than fifty percent) of the votes cast on a given ballot to be elected (abstentions do not count as votes cast). Where a majority is not achieved, the nominee(s) receiving the least number of votes is (are) dropped and another ballot is taken. This procedure continues until one nominee achieves a majority and is declared elected, or until two ballots in succession result in tie votes and the balloting is declared deadlocked.
4. When balloting is declared deadlocked, the youth conducting the election (Note: This is the lodge chief or a youth appointed by the lodge chief and approved by the lodge adviser) will announce to the voting delegates that one more ballot will be taken to break the tie and, if another tie results, he shall cast sufficient votes for the nominee of his choice to achieve a majority and declare him elected.

D. The lodge chief may make appointments to non-elected positions as specified by the Rules of the Lodge. Such appointments shall be a part of the lodge executive committee, and will receive a vote on all matters before the lodge executive committee. An appointee must be a registered member in good standing of the Order of the Arrow and the Boy Scouts of America in the council and lodge, and be younger than 21 during the entire term of his appointment.

E. Vacancies in unexpired terms of lodge officers shall be filled by majority vote (as defined above) of the lodge executive committee, and as specified by the Rules of the Lodge.