

Election Candidacy Agreement

Dear Lodge/Chapter Officer Candidate and Parent/Guardian:

Thank you for wanting to serve as a National Pike Chapter Officer for the upcoming year. Serving as a Chapter Officer is a unique and exciting opportunity. The success of the Chapter and Lodge depends on each Chapter and Lodge Officer, and their appointed adviser, to make a commitment of their time, talent and energy. If you have any questions or are unsure about what will be asked of you as a Chapter Officer, please talk with one of the current officers or advisers before completing this form. **To be considered eligible to run for any elected chapter office, this form MUST be submitted to the Chapter Adviser one week prior to the Chapter elections conducted at the October Chapter meeting on the second Sunday of the month.**

I petition to become a Candidate for the office of _____ for the year 20 _____.

Name: _____ Unit #: _____ (T/C/S)

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

_____(Candidate initials) I understand attendance of the Chapter Annual Planning Conference in November and the Lodge Leadership Development in December **is mandatory for all elected officers.**

This form is meant to make sure that each candidate has the support and understanding of their parents/guardians, unit leader and Chapter Adviser before making a commitment to serve as a Chapter Officer. This is a crucial part of ensuring the success of every officer. Each Chapter Officer is expected to meet the objectives and responsibilities of their position as described in the Position Description for which they are running.

The success of the OA Lodge is dependent on active, engaged officers. Each officer will have an experienced adult adviser assigned to them to work as a team with their office. Advisers in the OA are experienced Scouters who enjoy volunteering their time to mentor motivated Arrowman. Advisers train, coach, and guide their officers to complete assigned duties that exceed what is normally asked of youth in high school or college. Chapter Officers are expected to diligently work with their adviser, their fellow officers and chairmen, and with other Arrowman. Service as a Chapter Officer is not for everyone. Chapter Officers are expected to be able to budget their time between school, family, religious and other responsibilities with what is required of them as a Chapter Officer. A great many officers have served with distinction and managed their other responsibilities well. Since the effective operation of a Lodge depends on each Chapter/Lodge Officer, any officer who finds that he cannot keep up with the duties above or balance these duties with other commitments and obligations will be expected to resign or will be removed from office.

I attest that the above Arrowman has my support to serve as a National Pike Chapter Officer and we have discussed the responsibilities of being a Chapter Officer.

 Candidate Signature

 Date

 Parent/Guardian Signature

 Date

Unit leader signature certifies activity and leadership in a unit:

 Unit Leader Signature

 Date

Chapter Adviser signature certifies understanding of leadership responsibilities within the Chapter/Lodge:

 Chapter Adviser Signature

 Date



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Chapter Officer / Committee Chair Expectations & Responsibilities

General Expectations: See specific Officer Job Description for detailed responsibilities.

1. Agree to attend every Chapter function throughout their term of office
2. Will wear the complete Official BSA Uniform in accordance to their register program (Scouts BSA, Venturing or Sea Scouting) to all Chapter and Lodge events. This includes:
 - i. Scout shirt with correct insignia, Scout pants or Scout shorts with Scout belt and Scout socks
 - ii. *Jeans and camouflage clothing are not allowed.*
 - iii. Remember that as an officer you must set the example.
3. Agree to attend all Chapter and Lodge events, including Lodge Leadership Development Conference, Lodge Banquet, Spring Fellowship, Conclave, Ordeal and Fall Fellowship.
4. Agree to consult with their Lodge counterpart at least monthly.
5. Agree to consult with their Adviser at least monthly or more depending on the position.
6. Will promote the Chapter, the Lodge, the Order of the Arrow, and the Council Camping Program.