



ESAA

Monthly Board Meeting

October 5, 2023



7:10AM ♦ Atherton Hall & Zoom Meeting
San Diego-Imperial Council ♦ Boy Scouts of America

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Presiding: Russ Christensen

In Attendance: Sammy Knight, Jim Atkins, Chris Vaughan, Matthew Giedt-Paredes, Bruce Doole, Dan Ontiveros

Agenda

- 1. Call to Order:** Russ Christensen called the meeting to order at 7:13 AM.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:** Matthew Giedt-Paredes led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Invocation:** Chris Vaughan opened our meeting with a prayer of guidance.
- 4. Approval of Minutes:** September meeting minutes were reviewed by the board members in attendance. Matthew Giedt-Paredes moved to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Sammy Knight. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Treasurer's Report:** No report this month.
- 6. Membership Report:** Jim reported no new members this month, and that we have had seven new life members so far this year.
- 7. Newsletter and Web Report:** No report this month.
- 8. Networking Events:** Chris Vaughan reminded us that the next mixer will be this Monday, October 9 at BJ's Brewhouse in Grossmont Center, 5:30-7:30 PM. Only two people have signed up so far.
- 9. NOESA Nominations:** Sammy Knight shared that the four NOESA recipients have been notified and the NOESA kits have been ordered. He also discussed the changes to the NOESA submission process going forward and noted that Scouting experience is not to be included in the new nominations.
- 10. Gathering of Eagles:** Matthew Paredes reported registration through DoubleKnot is in place and publicity is submitted to Scouting 360 and will have it posted on the council website. He will organize a phone tree for reminder calls next week. He is working with Greg Deering on transport of the eagle centerpieces and checked with Sue Hodges to confirm her attendance. We will have five of six recipients in attendance – Jay Wegrzyn can't attend this year. Russ, Chris, and Matthew will visit Ranch Events later today to confirm room suitability, layout, and menu selection.
- 11. Champions of Scouting:** Russ Christensen reported that the event was an overall success, and thanked Sammy Knight, Chris Vaughan, and Matthew Paredes for their support at the registration desk.
- 12. Planning YAC and Service Project:** Our annual planning meeting and service project is scheduled for November 11 at the YAC, 9 AM – 2 PM. Plan to arrive by 8:45 AM and be ready to work at 9 AM. Work will include painting the entrance to the Youth Aquatic Center and refinishing the Eagle advancement stands as well as other potential work items for the facility. We will break for lunch and hold our meeting to plan for the 2024 calendar of events and to nominate officers for the year.
- 13. Updates to NESA Awards:** Russ received notice from NESA that nomination

processes for DESA, NOESA, and Eagle Scout Project of the Year have been updated. There is now a specific timeline for each, some requirements have been updated, and a NESA committee will review each submission for compliance.

- 14. Council Report:** Dan Ontiveros reported that there have been several staffing changes at council. Karl Shelton has left our council to be the Scout Executive at Conquistador Council in New Mexico. Joe Garcia has been promoted to Development Director and Elora is now Fundraising Assistant. The district executive team has expanded, now with Enrique Teigeiro, Kimberly Bozarth, Laura Scheid and Jonathan Hall.
- 15. Around the Table:** Bruce Doole confirmed that he will coordinate our activity with the Father Joe's Fun Run on Thanksgiving morning. Matthew Giedt-Paredes shared that he attended a recent PSA aviation reunion with Tony Claessens, and many of the early members of Post 1011 were in attendance and shared stories of the time.

Adjournment at 8:16 AM. Next meeting is November 2, 2023, 7:10 AM, Atherton Hall.