

Gary Raincloud  
Chapter Secretary

You are the Secretary of the Chippewa Chapter. You got this job mainly because nobody else was even remotely interested in it. You ran unopposed, and were elected by a strange parliamentary thing called "Acclamation" where everybody in the room held up their hands and nobody really voted. But now you have this fine responsibility. You try to do a good job.

Your job is to keep records of the membership of the Chapter, and to keep records in the form of minutes for each meeting of the Chapter. You have no particular experience that qualifies you for this job, except you were troop scribe some time ago, and you were once secretary in your Sunday School Class. You do, however, have a computer at home (your father's computer, actually) and you have all the chapter membership records on that computer.

You are a somewhat "bookish" person, apparently quite bright and perhaps even a bit intelligent, too. You write clearly and legibly, and you can read aloud when you need to. You are NOT a "nerd" (not quite) but you are probably the closest thing we have to the perfect personality for a secretary.

On today's agenda, you are responsible for **READING THE MINUTES** of the last Chippewa Chapter meeting. Before you read them aloud, you need to look them over to be sure you can pronounce all the names. You may want to make some changes in the minutes, to make them sound natural, since you are the one who wrote them. It's OK to change the words, but **YOU MUST READ THE MINUTES ALOUD**.

Be sure to ask for additions or corrections to the minutes.

You should also take (WRITE) minutes of today's meeting, similar to the ones provided for the last meeting. You **DONT** have to write down every thing each person says, but you will need a record for the record. Some one may ask you to read something you wrote. As a part of your character's character, you should ask some people to repeat some things, so you can get them down right. Please do this about 4 or 5 times during the meeting. Just ask a speaker,

"Would you repeat that so I can get it correct in the minutes?"

Then **WRITE IT DOWN** and read it back to the group word-for-word. It's OK if you make some mistakes, too. Remember that you are acting a part, and Gary Raincloud is a bookish person, who sometimes likes to get things right.

Gary, a problem about your job might come up in tonight's meeting. I can't tell you exactly what it is, but be ready to explain the job of the Chapter Secretary (as you see it). You may be surprised by the things people say about you. You might get a little angry. Try to keep your cool and make sure you don't get fired. This will make more sense when it comes up in the meeting, but I really want this to be a surprise for almost everybody.

**BE PREPARED!**

Communications: Mark Strongwill reported the WHITE WOLF Chapter Newsletter is now going out on schedule, and is being mailed to 300 members. Mark said that the deadline for the next monthly issue will be the last Friday of each month. It takes 3 months for each issue to get printed and mailed, so we will write the paper for January 1997 in October 1996. Send your articles to the Scout Office, or give them to Mark Strongwill in person.

Service: Jerry Wigwam said that the Service Committee met in June to plan service projects, but nobody had any good ideas. Gary Raincloud suggested litter cleanup at Camp Polecat Holler, but the idea was voted down. Matt Flatfoot proposed a Cub Scout and Webelos Camporee. This was postponed and tabled until the next meeting in November. Tony Papoose suggested a service project at Camp Mississippi. However, Bobby' Saddleblanket suggested Camp Long Johns instead. This idea was also postponed until November.

Special Projects: Mike Teepee reported on his progress in planning the new Indian Tents for the Chapter to use at the Ceremony Grounds. Mike made a motion to spend \$1000.00 for materials, to buy enough to make 2 teepees. After some discussion, this was postponed until the November Meeting.

Bill Arrowsmith gave the Chapter Chiefs Report, and discussed the need for a new Chapter Constitution with written rules for the Chapter. Mr. Grayhair gave the Chapter Adviser's Report. He said that the Council Camping Committee has asked the OA to help tear down the old Winter Lodge at Camp Mississippi, but that he is personally opposed to this since he remembers this old building from when he was a boy about 100 years ago. Mr. Grayhair also introduced the new Chapter Staff (professional) Adviser, Dr. E. Urner Baddmann, who has been in the OA for 5 months.

Scott Crow made a motion to change the next Chippewa Chapter Meeting to be held at the Holiday Inn at Newport, Tennessee, so that all members could use it as an excuse to skip the training at the Lodge Leadership Conference. The motion was seconded by Harold Stonepiler, and passed unanimously. George Clearvoice closed the meeting with the OA Song.

## MINUTES

The Chippewa Chapter held a regular meeting on Sunday, September 30, 1996 at Great Smoky Mountain Council Service Center in Sleepy Hollow, Tennessee. 23 OA members were present.

John Blue Sky gave the Opening Ceremony by repeating the first prayer of Meteu from the Pre-Ordeal Ceremony.

Gary Raincloud, Chapter Secretary, read the minutes of the August Meeting. There were no objections or changes.

Chris Wampumkeeper, Chapter Treasurer, reported that the Chapter had a total of \$1430.56 in the account as June 30, 1996.

The following committee reports were given:

Unit Elections: NO REPORT. No one was present to give a report.

Camping Promotion: Bobby Saddleblanket reported that the slide show is now complete, and the sound track is being recorded by Hank Williams, Roy Orbison, and Pink Floyd in New York during the first week of October. Camping Promotion visits should begin March 1.

Ceremonies: Joe Foxtooth announced that John Blue Sky will be in charge of the Chapter Ceremony teams this year. The teams will begin practices in March. We will need 2 teams, since we have Ordeals at both camps at the same time this year. To volunteer, see John Blue Sky.

Section Conclave: Harry Manyfeathers reported that the dates of April 35-36-37, 1997 have been set for the Section 13 Conclave, which will be held at CAMP OPEN BOXCARS in 10-US-EE. The Chippewa Chapter will be permitted to take up to 50 members, if reservations are received by April 1, 1997. The cost is \$30.00 since we will all walk-on and pay at the door or try to sneak in.

Membership: Ronald Stonepile said that the Chapter now PROBABLY has about 300 active members, counting 189 who paid dues LAST YEAR and 131 who took their Ordeal LAST YEAR, but only 220 have their dues paid for THIS YEAR. Gary Raincloud, the Chapter Secretary, said that the correct number is 290 who have paid dues for THIS YEAR. Chris Wampumkeeper, Chapter Treasurer, said that he only received dues money from 220 members. There was some discussion about whether last year's new Ordeal Members have their dues paid up until LAST YEAR or THIS YEAR. And maybe Next year. Nothing was decided. The Chapter Secretary is obviously correct.

Training: Scott Crow reported that the 1995 Chapter Officers Training Conference, held in December in Las Vegas, Nevada, was a success. Three Chapter Officers and 53 ordinary OA members attended. Next year's conference will be in either Afghanistan or Alaska, depending on the weather and the war.

Fellowship: Chairman Doug Muchfun was not present. Albert Spoilsport said that the fellowship committee has met twice to plan the Chapter's activities at the Fall Fellowship, but that he was against any movies or games or patch trading.

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### How' to Win This Game

Each player has different objectives in this game. To win, you may need to cause someone else to lose. There will be PRIZES for WINNERS, and nothing -- not even polite recognition for losers.

If ALL of these things happen, you will WIN. If not, you LOSE.

Check off here the things that happen

- I. You must follow the instructions in your package as well as you can. This is one you can control, and your personal opinion is all that counts. You should check this one. All you need to do is DO YOUR BEST to act out your part.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. You must NOT GET FIRED and you must NOT RESIGN as Chapter Secretary. It's OK if some of your own duties get assigned to someone else, but you must emerge from the meeting with your position intact. As long as you are still the Chapter Secretary at the end, you win this check-off. But if you resign or get fired, you will lose the game. Just keep your job and keep your cool.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. The Chapter membership must VOTE IN FAVOR of a motion to buy materials for a teepee. They must actually decide to spend some money on the project. It must come up for a vote, and it must pass. As long as we vote to approve the teepee proposal, and if they approve spending any money (even one dollar) for a teepee, you WIN this check-off.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. The meeting must END ON TIME. As long as the Chapter Chief declares the meeting adjourned within 2 hours after he calls it to order, you win this check-off.

After the meeting, if you want a prize, give this sheet to CONTROL.