

Election Candidacy Agreement

Dear Lodge Officer Candidate and Parent/Guardian. Thank you for your desire to serve as a lodge officer. Serving as a lodge officer is a unique and exciting opportunity. The success of the lodge depends on each lodge officer, 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 lodge officer, please review the job descriptions provided and talk with one of the current officers or advisers before completing this form. This form **MUST** be received by the Lodge Chief or Lodge Advisor before **April 26th 2020**. Please email this to **chief@pocumtuclogde.org**

Yes, I desire to become a Candidate for office in the Pocumtuc Lodge.

Name: _____

Troop #: _____ District: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Please select the office you intend to run for: Chief Admin Program Communications

This form is meant to make sure that each candidate has the support and understanding of their parents/guardians before making a commitment to serve as a lodge officer. This is a crucial part of ensuring the success of every officer. Each Lodge Officer is expected to do the following:

1. Attend **ALL** Lodge events and the Section NE-2A Ignite, and Conclave. A calendar will be provided.
2. Regularly communicate with their adviser, chairmen, and other officers throughout the year.
3. In consultation with your adviser, create goals, milestones, budget, and a backdated calendar for the position you are elected. Refer to the Lodge Bylaws to understand your elected position.
4. Meet the goals and milestones that you set.
5. Help recruit, train, and lead lodge members in carrying out the lodge's year-round program.
6. Officers are expected to attend and participate in a limited number of other meetings, planning sessions, and special projects throughout the lodge year, especially throughout the fall of the current year as we plan the new year. Dates for these meeting will be set by the officers.
7. Set the example by correctly wearing a full Class A uniform at all Scouting events and the OA sash at all OA events where you are representing the Pocumtuc Lodge.
8. Conduct themselves at all times according to the highest standards of the Scout Oath, Law, OA Obligation and Admonition.

The success of the OA Lodge is dependent on active, engaged officers. Officers will have experienced adult advisers available to assist them. Advisers in the OA are experienced Scouters who enjoy volunteering their time to mentor motivated Arrowmen. Advisers train, coach, and guide their officers to complete assigned duties that exceed what is normally asked of young men in high school or college. Lodge officers are expected to diligently work with their adviser, their fellow officers and chairmen, and with other Arrowmen. Service as a lodge officer is not for everyone. Lodge Officers are expected to be able to budget their time between troop, school, family, religious and other responsibilities with what is required of them as a lodge officer. A great many officers have served with distinction and managed their other responsibilities well. The Pocumtuc Lodge serves roughly 300 Arrowmen and encompasses the entirety of the Western Massachusetts council. Since the effective operation of the Lodge depends on each 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 Pocumtuc Lodge Officer and that we have discussed the responsibilities of being a lodge officer.

Parent/ Guardian Date

Candidate Date