

To: Section S-6 Lodge Chiefs and Advisers  
From: Don Combs  
Date: January 12, 2010  
Re: New Section Chief Elections

Dear Brothers:

Recently at the National Planning Meeting, Section Chiefs from across the country came together to plan the 2010 National Scout Jamboree Order of the Arrow Events. At this meeting, I was elected to serve as your Southern Region Chief for the year 2010.

According to the Field Operation Guide, I must vacate the office of Section Chief within thirty two (32) days of my election. This letter is to inform you of the process to be used for the election of my successor who will occupy the office of Section Chief until the conclusion of the 2010 SR-6 Conclave.

It has been a great learning experience for me to serve as your Section Chief. It is my hope that you will give the new Section Chief the same support that you have given to me.

The following procedure will be used.

1. All candidates for the office of Section Chief must meet the following eligibility requirements:
  - a) Be a registered member, in good standing, of the Order of the Arrow and the Boy Scouts of America in a lodge and council within the section.
  - b) Have the written approval of his Council Scout Executive or the Council Executive's designee.
  - c) Be under twenty-one years of age during his entire term of office.
2. The candidates for Section Chief must also be aware that they will have the following responsibilities throughout this term of office:
  - a) Organizes and gives positive leadership to achieve a successful annual conclave and fulfill section operations responsibilities.
  - b) Presides over meetings of the Council of Chiefs and the Conclave business meeting.
  - c) Delegates duties to other section officers and members of the Council of Chiefs.
  - d) Works closely with section advisers. Keeps the section adviser and section staff adviser fully informed of all of his activities related to the Order of the Arrow. Share copies of all correspondence pertaining to the business of the Order with these individuals and with others who are concerned.
  - e) Assures that all aspects of section activity are conducted according to the Section Rules.

- f) Within 45 days of the end of the Conclave, compiles the Conclave Report and, along with the final financial statement, submits copies to the following: members of the Council of Chiefs; Area Director; Region Chief, Region Chairman, and Staff Adviser; and National Director of the Order of the Arrow.
  - g) Serves as an example of the ideals of the BSA and the Order of the Arrow.
  - h) Attends section officer seminars and appropriate National Leadership Seminars.
  - i) When invited, represents the section in area, regional, and national functions and activities of the Order of the Arrow.
  - j) Promotes lodge participation in regional and national events.
4. The election procedures will be as follows:
- a) The election will take place at the beginning of the Spring Council of Chiefs to be held on Saturday – January 30<sup>th</sup> at Boxwell Scout Reservation.
  - b) All candidates must possess a letter of good standing from his Scout Executive or designee. (Which you can receive from me)
  - c) Each candidate will be given time to speak and take questions from the floor.

If there are any questions about the procedures or anything else concerning the election, please call me

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