

# **2008 REALIGNMENT - ORDER OF THE ARROW SECTIONS**

## **PLAN OF ACTION**

### **1. Recommendations and decisions**

- Region OA Chairman and Region OA Staff Adviser draft section alignments based on new Area configuration.
- Section alignment proposal shared with and recommended to the Area Director.
- Area Director makes final decision in consultation with Region OA Chairman and Region OA Staff Adviser.

### **2. Communications**

- Written documentation of Section configuration, and plan shared with current Section and Lodge OA Leadership.
- Conference call with current Section Advisers and/or conference call with current Section Chiefs and possibly all Section Youth Officers.
- Upcoming Section Council of Chiefs by the Section Key Three.

### **3. Section Advisers and Section Staff Advisers**

- Area Directors appoint Section Advisers, Associate Advisers, and Staff Advisers for each Section in his area in consultation with and concurrence by the Region OA Chairman and the Region OA Staff Adviser
- To take affect July 1, 2008 or immediately following the conclaves held in August. Should be finalized by the conclaves affected.

### **4. Section Officers**

- Current officers serve through and until the election of new officers at currently planned 2008 Section Conclaves
- All newly elected officers will serve in office they were elected in the section that their home OA Lodge is assigned. (No individual running for office should use the section alignment as a campaign platform for his election.)
- A special Council of Chiefs with appropriate advance communications will be held to elect officers for any vacant offices which may be caused by the realignment. The process will be similar to filling a vacancy caused by election to a National Office. All elected Section Chiefs (Through the Conclave election or the Council of Chiefs) will be invited to Texas, may run for national office, and serve on a NOAC committee.
- In some cases, co-chiefs, co-vice chiefs, and/or co-secretaries may serve in a particular section. They will serve in this capacity with specific duties affixed through the 2009 Section Conclaves of the new sections.

### **5. Finances and Calendar**

- The current Council of Chiefs will take inventory of Section supplies and equipment and develop a plan for appropriate distribution of the supplies or other consideration to the future Section(s).
- Section should be prudent in the 2008 Conclave spending and not draw down section funds to below a normal expectation.
- Service Councils and Lodges should make a special effort to close out the finances of the conclave immediately after the 2008 Conclave in order for the proper distribution of funds.
- At the conclusion of the finances for the 2008 Section Conclave, the funds of the existing section will be distributed to the realigned sections based on the remaining funds being divided by the current number of lodges, and that amount per lodge sent to the new section.
- Sections with more than one chief will be able to petition the Region Order of the Arrow for assistance with the funds necessary to have all chiefs from the section attend the December National Planning Conference. This would be the price of a plane ticket up to \$500 per additional co-chief.
- At the specially called Council of Chiefs following the 2008 Section Conclaves, a date, and service council & service lodge will be confirmed or selected for the 2009 Section Conclave. A rotation plan for future years may also be discussed and decided, if appropriate.