

*1st Lodge Merger Transition Committee Meeting 5/18/16*  
*Gulf Ridge / Greater Tampa Bay Area Council Service Center*

**Timiquan lodge Members Present:**

- Lodge Chief- Chaz Baker
- Administration Vice Chief – PJ Aitken
- Inductions Vice Chief – Patrick Ronayne
- ~~Secretary- Trevor Case (absent)~~
- Treasurer- Gerard Faughnam
- Historian- Tom DeCaino

Lodge Advisor- Kenneth Knaebel

**Seminole lodge Members Present:**

- Lodge Chief- Daniel Holtzberg
- Vice Chief of Administration- Ron Cain
- Vice Chief of Inductions- Daniel Niles
- Secretary- Michael Valenti (NO VOTE)
- Treasurer- David Mitchell
- Historian- Lathan Dixon

Lodge Advisor- Tom McMullen

2017 merge deadline- typically within 6 months

[\*Section Conference]

**GTBAC CSPs:**

- Patch #6 design- + more land and fix skyway

**Voting Procedure:**

- Follow Roberts Rules of Order for traditional/ standard LEC and others.

David Mitchell makes so motio

Ron seconds

- Lodge Chief- Daniel Holtzberg: **AYE**
- Vice Chief of Administration- Ron Cain: **AYE**
- Vice Chief of Inductions- Daniel Niles: **AYE**
- Treasurer- David Mitchell: **AYE**

- Historian- Lathan Dixon: **AYE**
- Lodge Chief- Chaz Baker: **AYE**
- Administration Vice Chief – PJ Aitken: **AYE**
- Inductions Vice Chief – Patrick Ronayne: **AYE**
- Treasurer- Gerard Faughnam: **AYE**
- Historian- Tom DeCaino: **AYE**

***Unanimous decision***

**WCFC and GRC Calendar Dates; Merger Timeline [Joint Events]:**

\*Figure out conflicts and create joint events to bond. Goal is for merger to happen by winter conclave/Winter Fellowship, first joint event may be @ fall conclave as well.

- Timiquan’s LLDC was supposed to be 5/20, but propose to carry out LEC or LLDC retreat with Seminole, SLOTS & SLATS @ Office building in Trinity and sleep at Hotel. –  
  - LLD on Aug 12-14.** 13<sup>th</sup> will be for lodge committee discussion
- Regarding Treasury, effective this week, merged bank account for lodges
- Timeline for Counterparts to fully work together and committees and officers fully merged and functional cooperation.
- Should make a checklist for timeline; make contact and a checklist for your position for what needs to be done in order to merge lodges successfully.

\*Officers be Ready with a report to give by next meeting [TBD]

- First joint events could possibly be Fall

**Joint Events:**

- Have new lodge officer elections @ or before Spring conclave. Full merge *SHOULD* be done by January.
- Volunteering at events with other councils
- “Roadkill Grill” selling food at council events
- Have the chance to send members from each lodge to each other’s events, build relationship

**Joint Planning & Council Committee Meeting**

- 7:30 @ Council Office, important committees meet together from each lodge
- *Allouschsit being split up so Seminole will have 5<sup>th</sup> chapter chief*
- Need to have a meeting *every month*- set up conference calls for when members can’t attend
- ***Advisors will be merging in August, to get ahead of fall program counter***

- **Motion by David Mitchell: NEXT MEETING WILL BE Wednesday 6/1/16- work on new conjoined event plan and dates. @ Council office 7:00**
- Lodge Chief- Daniel Holtzberg: **AYE**
- Vice Chief of Administration- Ron Cain: **AYE**
- Vice Chief of Inductions- Daniel Niles: **AYE**
- Treasurer- David Mitchell: **AYE**
- Historian- Lathan Dixon: **AYE**
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- Treasurer- Gerard Faughnam: **AYE**
- Historian- Tom DeCaino: **AYE**

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**Would like to see in future merged lodge:**

- **[ TBD ]**

**Section Conference 2017:**

- Go through Friday/Saturday as Separate lodges, merge “officially” @ Saturday night show. Awards and such go to new lodge; makes image a *Big Deal*- makes an impression
- Could move it to Friday night to promote unity and kick off new lodge.
- \*Will OFFICIALLY be Hosted by [GTBAC] Lodge in terms of branding as decided by Section, but leadership has no official mandate; mostly by Timiquan.
- \*After Jan 1<sup>st</sup> Timiquan and Seminole lodge will no longer exist on paper- single lodge
- As far as volunteers to staff & help, Seminole members can help staff event, but do not want Seminole members to sit in on planning meetings or fill any chair positions.

**Lodge name:**

- Should have a lodge name by \_\_\_\_\_/16
- CANNOT use Seminole or Timiquan
- CANNOT use any chapter names
- Miskeogee & Lakota language dictionaries for reference

- Seminole ideas- **Kiondashima** Lodge (Original lodge including Timiquan before split)  
-on the fence because we should adopt the entire Kiondashima, we held name after split
- **Muskokee & Aripeka**
- Timiquan ideas- Aripeka, **Tocobaga** (tribe linked to tampa area residence)

Have a google form survey for name and send it out

### **Lodge Totem:**

- Phoenix- rebirth
- Manatee- common/ Unique
- Green conuoru (bird)
- Dolphin
- Albino Eagle
- Sandhill Crane
- Drums

Motion to table bylaw discussion by PJ

2<sup>nd</sup> by Niles

- Lodge Chief- Daniel Holtzberg: **AY**
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### ***Unanimous decision***

Motion to close discussion by PJ

2<sup>nd</sup> by Niles

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- Lodge Chief- Chaz Baker: **AYE**
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- Historian- Tom DeCaino: **AYE**

***Unanimous decision***

Motion to adjourn meeting by PJ

2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron

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**Lodge Number: more discussion at a later date**