## RANK ADVANCEMENT & BOARD OF REVIEW (BOR) PROCEDURES

The Troop Committee has set forth the following policy for rank advancements:

Request a Scoutmaster Conference – meet with the Scoutmaster in full uniform.

For the ranks of Scout, Tenderfoot, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Class, the Scoutmaster conference may be held **only with the Scoutmaster or his designee**.

For the Ranks of 1<sup>st</sup> Class, Star, Life and Eagle, the Scoutmaster conference may be held **only with the Scoutmaster**, (SM may designate another leader to complete the conference in his absence).

Once SM Conference is approved, Scout needs to request a Board of Review from the Advancement Chair. There is a sign-up page at every meeting where the Scouts can make an appointment for their Board of Review. The Committee will do their best to see as many Scouts as possible. Scouts may also send an email directly to the Advancement Chair requesting a BOR for any regular Scout meeting ahead of the meeting date.

## IT IS THE SCOUT WHO MUST CONTACT THE ADVANCEMENT CHAIR, AND SCOUT MASTER, NOT THE PARENT/GUARDIAN.

For the Board of Review, a Scout must present their self in <u>full uniform</u>. He should wear as much of it as he owns, and it should be as correct as possible, with the badges worn properly. If wearing all or part of the uniform is impractical for whatever reason, the candidate should be clean and neat in his appearance and dressed appropriately. No Scout will be given a Board of Review without Scout book in hand.

A BOR is an opportunity for the Scout and the Committee Members to talk about his scouting experience. This should be regarded as a conversation not an interrogation. The Scout may be questioned about basic knowledge and should be prepared to answer honestly any questions asked of him.

The BOR will be composed of at least 3 but no more than 6 Committee Members.

The Advancement Committee Chair will fill out the Board of Review form and give to the BOR Committee representative. After the BOR, the form will be given to the Scout and they will deliver it back to the Advancement Committee Chair, or the assistant in order to receive acknowledgement and it be recorded in Scoutbook.

Rank advancements are acknowledged at the closing circle, and the badge is awarded. Scouts are recognized again, and the official card *is* awarded at the following Court of Honor.