15 March 25 Commissioner Conference notes

Safety minute

* Safe transportation (see notes from 13 March Roundtable)
* Reference checklist: [https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/680-696(21)-SAFE-Transportation-Checklist-FPO3-5172021.pdf?\_gl=1\*ra1t2v\*\_gcl\_au\*MTIzOTAyNTY2OC4xNzQyMDYwOTI4\*\_ga\*MTM0MDQ0MTEyMC4xNzQyMDYwOTI4\*\_ga\_20G0JHESG4\*MTc0MjA2MDkyNy4xLjEuMTc0MjA2MzA4My4yNi4wLjA.\*\_ga\_61ZEHCVHHS\*MTc0MjA2MDkyNy4xLjEuMTc0MjA2MzA4My4yNi4wLjA](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/680-696%2821%29-SAFE-Transportation-Checklist-FPO3-5172021.pdf?_gl=1*ra1t2v*_gcl_au*MTIzOTAyNTY2OC4xNzQyMDYwOTI4*_ga*MTM0MDQ0MTEyMC4xNzQyMDYwOTI4*_ga_20G0JHESG4*MTc0MjA2MDkyNy4xLjEuMTc0MjA2MzA4My4yNi4wLjA.*_ga_61ZEHCVHHS*MTc0MjA2MDkyNy4xLjEuMTc0MjA2MzA4My4yNi4wLjA).

Future of Unit Service – is NOW!

* 3 key aspects:
	+ Communication
	+ Partnership
	+ Impact
* Commissioner Priorities
	+ Be the single best resource for units
	+ Deliver S.A.F.E. program
	+ Enable growth
* Recruiting Adults
	+ Give them a why
		- Should have a 30 second; 3 minute; 30 minute WHY (they should be a leader) pitch
* Changing the way we work with units
	+ Be responsive
	+ Good communication & support decisions
	+ Increase accountability
	+ Embrace Scout Oath & Law
* ALWAYS ask: How can I help?

Commissioner Tools

* Read connection guides
	+ Healthy Pack has a minimum of 20 scouts
	+ Healthy Troop has a minimum of 12 scouts
* Hazardous Weather training is a REQUIREMENT to be a Trained Leader
	+ Like YPT this must be retaken every two years
	+ ALL direct contact leaders MUST complete this training
* Goals are set by the unit
	+ A unit does NOT have to have goals
* Ensure Key 3 are aware they can access unit metrics via their myscouting account

Council Operations

* 4 functions:
	+ Membership
	+ Fund development
	+ Program
	+ Unit service
* Running GTBAC
	+ $4.5 MILLION/year
	+ FOS (Friends of Scouting/Pacesetters Ask) accounts for $600K
	+ CSF (Council Service Fee) accounts for $300K
	+ For precise dollar allocation:
		- Go to “About” tab at GTBAC website
			* Select annual report

National Camping Accreditation Program (NCAP)

* SAFETY is #1! NON-NEGOTIABLE!!
* 2 primary documents for safety
	+ Guide to Safe Scouting
		- IMO ALL leaders should have downloaded to their phone
	+ NCAP Guide
		- Focused on camps & camp properties

Programs

* GTBAC does NOT offer long term summer camps as all units attend out of area summer camps
* Summer 2025 programs:
	+ All at Soule
	+ Operation 1st Class 6/5-8
	+ WEBLOS & AOL adventures 6/6-8
	+ Cub Scout day camp 6/9-13
* National Jamboree 7/22-21
	+ Cost $2500
	+ $200 deposit
* Council Camporee
	+ Feb 2026 at Flame
	+ Details to be promulgated
	+ All other GTBAC camps will be closed Camporee weekend

Serving as a Commissioner for units that have special needs scouts

* We are NOT clinicians
* It’s ok for a unit to say NO
	+ i.e.; scout not able to participate in event if parent not attending
* Scouting is for EVERYONE, but Everyone is NOT for Scouting
* Best resource:
	+ Ablescout.org