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## Cascade Pacific Council Policy Statements GUIDE TO ADVANCEMENT 2011

**1.0.1.0 Page 6** - Questions and Suggestions. Refer all questions and concerns regarding advancement topics to your District Advancement Chair.

**4.2.2.1 Page 20** – Varsity Scout Letter – will be clarified by Council Advancement Chair with National (can Venture Patrol / Varsity Squad in traditional Troop earn?)

**4.3.0.0 Page 24** - Mechanics of Advancement in Venturing. The council advancement committee acknowledges the changes in administration of the Venturing program.

**4.3.1.1.3 Page 25** - Silver Award. Through December 31, 2011 crews have the option of a crew review convened by the council under the current council policy (this will be deleted after January 1, 2012)

**4.4.1.4 Page 27** - Quartermaster Rank. Cascade Pacific Council strongly encourages use of the Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook or the Quartermaster Service Project Workbook in completing this requirement.

**4.4.2.5 Page 29** - Particulars for the Quartermaster Rank. Cascade Pacific Council's procedure for administering the Quartermaster Bridges (Boards) of Review will be through the Sea Scout District Advancement Chair using the process established for the Eagle / Quartermaster Boards of Review.

**7.0.0.2 Page 36** - Unit Leader Signs Application for Merit Badge. Any registered Scout may work on any merit badge once he has received approval (signature) of the unit leader on the merit badge application card. A merit badge application card signed by the unit leader is required for district and/or council level merit badge events.

**8.0.3.0 Page 44** –

**#1** It is the continuing policy of Cascade Pacific Council that Eagle Scout Boards of Review will be conducted by the district utilizing a council trained Eagle Board Chairperson rendering **8.0.3.0 #2** inapplicable.

**#3** There shall be no fewer than three and no more than six members, all at least 21 years old. They need not be on an advancement committee or registered with the Boy Scouts of America, but they must have an understanding of the rank and the purpose and importance of the review. The chairperson is appointed by the District (or Council) Advancement Chair, trained and certified by the council. All members serve on the



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Board by invitation of the Board Chair. Boards of Review for Scouts with Special Needs follow the council established procedure.

**#5** The family and/or the unit leader may be interviewed in private by the Board.

**8.0.3.2 Page 48** - Initiating Eagle Scout Board of Review Under Disputed Circumstances.

**8.0.4.0 – 8.0.4.2 Page 48** - Appealing a Decision

All such matters will be referred to the Council Process & Review Committee for processing.

**9.0.1.2 Page 50** - Eagle Scout Service Projects. The current Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook must be used. If a Scout has received all signatures of approval, including the District, prior to January 1, 2012, he shall be allowed to complete his project using the old version.

If a Scout chooses to use the new Project Workbook prior to January 1, 2012, he must use it to complete all requirements. Signatures, if any, that have already been obtained, shall be honored but must be included in the new Workbook.

Beginning January 1, 2012, the new Eagle Scout Service Project workbook must be used for all Scouts beginning the process.

Eagle Scout Service Project Fundraising Applications (Project Workbook Page 17 & 18) shall be approved by the District Advancement Chair or his/her approved designee (from within the District Advancement Committee).

Eagle Scout Service Project Fundraising Applications (2012 Project Workbook Page 17) shall be approved during the District project proposal review meeting, if ready, or at a separate meeting with the approved District representative prior to beginning fundraising.

Fundraising approval for Eagle Scout Service Projects does not involve the Council Office. All fundraising approvals for Eagle Scout Service Projects are handled at the District level as above.

All moneys collected must be turned over for deposit to an account of the beneficiary or the candidate's unit, until needed for the project. If the unit receives the funds, it must release them to the beneficiary once expenses have been paid.

**9.0.1.5 Page 51** - Submit to Council Service Center – this process will not be changed from the current Council Policy. Current council policy states that all paperwork for the rank of Eagle, to include the application, requirement #6, written references if used, and

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the completed Eagle Scout Service Project workbook shall be processed by the District advancement chair or his/her approved designee. The District will convey all appropriate paperwork to the Council.

The Scout should be encouraged to make a complete copy of all records prior to submitting the paperwork to the District for processing.

**9.0.1.7 Page 51 - References Contacted.** References will be checked by the district. This may be done by letter, form, or phone call as determined by the district. Electronic submissions are discouraged for privacy and confidentiality. Completed reference responses of any kind are the property of the council and are confidential. The responses are not to be viewed by or returned to the Scout. The references shall be retained by the district until the Scout has been approved for the rank of Eagle Scout by National certification or upon the completion of the appeals process, if applicable, after which point the references will be destroyed.

**9.0.2.9 Page 55 -** The Eagle Scout Service Project Coach should be an individual embedded within the unit, in the position to train and guide a young man in his efforts toward the rank of Eagle, ideally the Scoutmaster or an assistant Scoutmaster. If the unit does not have an experienced or knowledgeable leader, the Scout should have access to a coach from the district advancement committee and should not be the district individual responsible for approving Service Projects.

**9.0.2.10 Page 56 -** Fundraising as an Eagle Scout Service Project is prohibited. If, however, a candidate wishes to propose such a project as an Eagle Scout Service Project, he may petition the Council's Advancement Steering Committee for an exception. (Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook Page 18.7.)

**9.0.2.14 Page 57 -** Risk Management and Eagle Scout Service Projects. Unit leadership should be aware of and familiar with the council's policy regarding Tour Plans and follow the Guide to Safe Scouting in all aspects of carrying out the project.

**9.0.4.0 Page 58 -** Time Extensions for Eagle Scout Rank (not Special Needs Scouts). Contact the Council Process & Review Committee to initiate the process.

**10.0.0.0 Page 60 -** Advancement for Members with Special Needs. Consult with the Council's Scouts with Special Needs Committee as soon as it is determined that a youth has a disability or special need that may prevent him / her from completing the advancement requirements.