Eagle Requirement 6: Remaining Items

Dan Beard Council Advancement Committee

Requirement 6. Attach to this application a statement of your ambitions and life purpose and a listing of positions held in your religious institution, school, camp, community, or other organizations during which you demonstrated leadership skills. Include honors and awards received during this service. Take part in a scoutmaster conference with your unit leader.

Scout Tasks:

1. ***Schedule a scoutmaster Conference at any time after the Life Board of Review.***
2. ***Write your life purpose and ambitions statement neatly. List your outside (from scouting) activities in your statement. Include what you want to do in the future (i.e. College, military, career) and how you are going to accomplish these goals. Explain how scouting has influenced your decision.***

This single requirement has two separate parts. The first part is your Scoutmaster Conference. It can be completed at any time after your Life Board of Review, but before you turn 18. However, it might make more sense to do it close to when you are done with your Eagle requirements. You might want to talk to him/her ahead of time to see what is expected in the way of documentation when you have this conference. During your Scoutmaster Conference, be sure to discuss how you plan to continue your involvement in scouting within your unit or district after you advance to the rank of Eagle Scout.

The second part is your "statement of your ambitions and life purpose". The statement of ambitions and life purpose is your idea of 'what you want to be as an adult'. It is suggested that this statement tell how your scouting experience has influenced your life, changed your outlook, made you who you are, and guided you in what you want to do in the future. Scouts who have been successful in scouting will find that this success has spread to other areas of their life. This is especially true of Eagle candidates, as their life will demonstrate the Scout Oath and Law in everything they do. This statement must be submitted with your application, but it would make sense to write it before the Scoutmaster Conference to aid your discussion.

This statement of ambitions and life purpose is an excellent opportunity for you list what you do outside of scouting. List all awards and honors you have achieved in life. These may be a medal, plaque, or certificate; they could also be a different type of honor. An example may be a letter from a principal or volunteer organization recognizing your contributions. Along with this statement, you could include a copy of your scouting activity report from the Advancement Chairman of your Troop, showing all Merit Badges you have earned, as well as partially completed ones. It will also show any special training or activities you have participated in as a scout. If your Advancement Chairman does not have this information, do your best to recreate it and include it with the statement.