



Canadian Association of Shrine Temples
2140 Walkley Road, Ottawa, Ontario K1G3V3



**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY JULY 1st 2019
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

- 1. CANADIAN BREAKFAST** – The Canadian Breakfast was held at 7am in the Davidson A2 Room in the Music City Centre Nashville. There were about 70 people in attendance. All were welcomed by the CAST President III Sir John Parker (Mocha).
- 2. CANADIAN HOSPITAL REPORT** - Noble David Merritt (Karnak), Chairman of the SHC Canada Board, provided an excellent report on SHC Canada that outlined the activities at the hospital in the past 12 months
- 3. IMPERIAL OFFICER REMARKS** – Imperial Sir George Mitchell brought greetings from the Imperial Divan. He stated that SHC-Canada is a “shining light” in the entire SHC system. Imperial Sir Mitchell presented framed pictures of the Canadian university football players who represented Canadian universities at the East West Shrine Game this past January to representatives of Karnak and Al Azhar..
- 4. CALL TO ORDER** – Non-members of CAST retired and the Annual General Meeting was called to order at 7:45am by the President III Sir John Parker with 35 members present.
- 5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Sec/Treasurer, Illustrious Sir Brian Shimmons, led the group in the Shrine Pledge of Allegiance.
- 6. FINANCIAL REPORT** – Sec/Treasurer Illustrious Sir Shimmons circulated copies of the following 2017/2018 financial report:

Opening Balance as July 1, 2018	\$ 3,497.00
Dues Revenue	\$ 1,300.00
2018 Meet & Greet Revenue	<u>\$ 595.00</u>
Total Revenue	\$ 1,895.00
Disbursements and Expenses	
2019 Imperial Potentate Gifts	\$ 81.00
2018 Meet & Greet Expenses	\$ 1,320.00
Bank Fees	<u>\$ 59.40</u>
Total D&E	\$ 1,460.40
Bank Balance as of June 30, 2019	\$ 3,962.00



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7. It was moved by Ill. Sir Harold Wallace (Gizeh) and seconded by Ill Sir J.B. Djigounian (Karnak) that the financial report as circulated and presented be accepted – Carried
8. **CORRESPONDENCE** – Letters were sent to Shriners International regarding C.A.S.T. officers and the Canadian Breakfast and to Canadian Shrine Temples regarding the Canadian Breakfast and CAST AGM. Communication with Gizeh Temple regarding their membership in CAST. Happy to report that they have agreed to remain as members.
9. **MINUTES OF 2018 AGM** – No changes to the 2018 Daytona Beach, FL minutes were identified. It was moved by Ill Sir Brian Shimmons (Al Azhar) and seconded by Ill Sir Lew Rossner (Gizeh) that they be accepted. - **Carried.**
10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS;**
Future of CAST – Ill Sir John Parker outlined a number of ideas that could improve the effectiveness of CAST that he has received over the past year from member Temples. It was suggested that CAST by-laws be changed to eliminate the requirement of a “progressive/established line” for CAST executive. Having a President who is not a current Potentate might help strengthen CAST and allow Temple Potentates to focus on their responsibilities.
Noble Bob Schrader (Tunis) noted that he had received similar ideas for improving the effectiveness of CAST.
There was general agreement that CAST Executive members should be able to focus their attention on items that are important to Canadian Temples.
11. **NEW BUSINESS**
None



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12. ADJOURNMENT – Because of time constraints, the AGM was adjourned at 8:50am until July 3, 2019. Time and location to be communicated to CAST members at the Imperial Session.

IMPERIAL POTENTATE GIFT PRESENTATION – *Following the meeting an Imperial Marshal was present to explain the details of C.A.S.T.'s presentation of the Imperial Potentate's gift. The presentation was coordinated by Ill Sir John Parker – Mocha Shriners*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'B. Shimmons'.

Brian Shimmons - Secretary/Treasurer C.A.S.T.
Dated: August 1, 2019