

Canadian Association of Shrine Temples (C.A.S.T.)

Minutes of Video Conference Meeting

Monday, April 20, 2020, 3:00 p.m. Eastern

Attendees: Robert Schrader (President), Tunis Shriners, Ottawa, Ontario

Lew Rossner, Gizeh Shriners, Burnaby, British Columbia

Ernie Hilland, Al Azhar Shriners, Calgary, Alberta

Blaine Brooks, Luxor Shriners, Saint John, New Brunswick

Perry McConnell (Sec./Tres.) Tunis Shriners, Ottawa, Ontario

Robert Barrett, Mazol Shriners, St. John's, Newfoundland

Absent - David Penney, Philae Shriners, Halifax, Nova Scotia

The meeting was called to order by President, Schrader 3:15 p.m. Eastern

Review and approval of minutes of March 23rd and March 31st, 2020 meeting, adopted as circulated, Moved by Rossner, Seconded by Barrett, CARRIED.

Correspondence:

Letter from John Piland on the current events and update on the Imperial Session in July.

Letter from Jessica Cureton (Imperial Office) concerning the annual presentation of gift by C.A.S.T. to incoming Imperial Potentate

Old Business (Business Arising):

- a. Update on Bylaws: Bylaws have been approved and Schrader has suggested that we wait until after the Imperial Session to review them for possible updates or changes.
- b. Bank Account: Account has been set up at the TD Bank in Ottawa Current balance is \$2,870.03. Received cheque from Hilland in the amount of \$450.00 to be used for Website, Zoom and Constant Contact accounts. Cheques to be sent to Penney in the amounts of \$ 512.00 for Zoom and Constant Contact accounts and \$ 127.00 for the Website. Both cheques require two signatures. Dues of \$ 100.00 from Gizeh outstanding.
- c. The revised list of fundraising projects has been sent out to every Temple

- d. Canadian Breakfast: Chris Harrison will not have any further information until Imperial itself is settled. They are waiting for info from the Municipality of Kansas City. Hilland and Brooks will coordinate efforts to keep the cost of the breakfast at \$40 US. Schrader will produce a template that can be used as a draft Breakfast Meeting Agenda. Schrader will invite CAST Temples to attend the Canadian Breakfast when details are finalized.
- e. Website and Facebook: Website. www.canadiantemples.com. “Constant Contact” is well received by all members.
- f. Hospital Reports: Discussion ensued how best to distribute Hospital Reports.
- g. Canadian Conference: The suggestion is to use Webinar instead of an actual physical gathering considering the conditions that we currently face. Waiting for postponement date announcement from SHC – Canada. Schrader emphasized the importance of CAST being prepared to submit any Imperial Call items immediately.

New Business:

- a. Discussion on the wording for the Call concerning the “spousal” issue and subsequent reimbursement in the cases of Common Law situations.
- b. Discussion and questions concerning the process of Patient Intake and how each temple handles their cases.
- c. Discussion on the use of Specialty members used as Advisors to C.A.S.T. in areas such as finance, membership, marketing etc.

Action Items;

1. Hilland to continue to follow up in late March with Chris Harrison on all aspects of Canadian Breakfast in Kansas City 2020. Brooks will assist Hilland.
2. Schrader will produce a template that can be used as a draft Breakfast Meeting Agenda. Schrader will circulate this draft plus a proposed letter inviting CAST Temples to attend the Canadian Breakfast.
3. Schrader to continue to take the lead on the Canadian Conference. Now considering the use of a Webinar broadcast.
4. Penney to contact Natalie for more info and then to provide a letter to CAST Board with regard to his “Walk For Love” proposal.
5. Rossner to respond to letter from J. Piland received under correspondence.
6. Schrader to write up proposal on Special Advisors to be used as a future resource.

Adjournment:

It was moved by Rossner to adjourn the Meeting. The Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m. Eastern.

Next meeting to be held by Video Conference on Tuesday, May 19th, 2020

PACIFIC TIME 12:00, MOUNTAIN TIME 1:00PM, CENTRAL TIME 2:00PM

EASTERN TIME 3:00PM, MARITIME TIME 4:00PM, NEWFOUNDLAND TIME 4:30PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by Perry McConnell, Secretary/Treasurer