

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

Minutes of Video Conference Meeting

Monday, December 16, 2019, 3:00 p.m. Eastern

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

David Penney, Philae Shriners, Halifax, Nova Scotia

Lew Rossner, Gizeh Shriners, Burnaby, British Columbia

Ernie Hilland, Al Azhar Shriners, Calgary, Alberta

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

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

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Schrader at 3:00 p.m. Eastern

Review and approval of minutes of November 25th meeting, adopted as circulated, moved by Rossner, seconded by Penney, CARRIED.

Correspondence;

None

Old Business;

- Bylaws were discussed briefly and it was decided that we cannot wait to hear from all the CAST member Temples for their review before sending them to Imperial for final approval. Schrader and McConnell to prepare documents to send to Imperial Recorder.
- Banking information and some other files have been received from the previous Sec/Tres. More to come through Canada Post. Ernie Hilland at the Shrine office will contact Brian for an update instead of mailing them at this time. Visiting TD Bank in Ottawa to set up new account to be actioned by Schrader and McConnell.
- More input is needed from CAST temples. Hilland to take the lead and follow up again with all CAST members. Those Recorders that have responded were very enthusiastic about discussing new ideas for fundraising.
- Discussions on Imperial Liaison, issues, amendments ideas and letter that was sent to all Potentates and Recorders requesting input. Limited response to date.

- Ernie to keep in contact with Chris Harrison concerning Canadian Breakfast and Meeting room and the invitation to Imperial Officers to join us will be sent out after we have details on time and location. Imperial Sir Jeff Sowder acknowledged the invitation from Schrader.
- Further discussion on the use of the Website for minutes of meetings and issues or stories of interest to all the CAST members. Penney still populating the website with good info. The more information the better. Brief discussion on starting up a newsletter. Some discussion on the use of Facebook and connecting it to our website.
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- It was decided that on a regular basis there should be a report sent out to the CAST members from all the SHC that we are affiliated with across the country. Also the reports will be placed on the website. In addition McConnell to collect and forward the SHC reports out to the Recorders of all C.A.S.T. members.
- Brief discussion on any reports concerning the recent Membership Seminar. Still waiting for more responses. Will make the topic part of the May Seminar. Some discussion on membership in general and how it is affecting the CAST temples.
- Brief discussion on insurance issues. Should be another topic for the May Conference.
- Further discussion on when and where to hold a Canadian Conference in the future, likely in conjunction with the SHC – Canada seminar in May of each year. The date now suggested is for Wednesday May 6th which is the day before the main hospital conference begins in Montreal. Subject material and presenters are required for early in the new year.

New Business;

- Dues for 2020 was discussed and Penney to take the lead on sending out a letter with invoicing and reporting on dues of \$100 per temple.

Action Items;

1. Bob Schrader and Perry McConnell to receive final bank assets and records and set up new account.
2. Bob Schrader to send out a reminder about Imperial Liaison, issues, amendments etc. to all Potentates and Recorders requesting input.
3. Ernie Hilland to continue to correspond with Chris Harrison and Jim Cain on all aspects of Canadian Breakfast in Kansas City 2020. Also for Ernie to take the lead on fundraising issues and ideas.

4. David Penny to continue developing the Website and Facebook page.
5. Schrader and McConnell to follow up with Imperial on approval of Bylaws.
6. Schrader to take the lead on the setting up of a Canadian Conference in May of 2020.

Adjournment;

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m. Eastern.

Next meeting to be held by Video Conference Monday, January 20, 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

“Congratulations to Ernie on his appointment to the SHC – Canada Board of Governors.”