

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

## Minutes of Video Conference Meeting

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

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

David Penny, 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

Absent with regrets; 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 August 13th meeting, adopted as circulated, moved by Rossner, seconded by Hilland, CARRIED.

### **Correspondence;**

Letter received from the Government of Alberta through John Slade of Al Shamal concerning the "Bullying Program"

A letter was sent out to Imperial Sir Jeff Sowder from the President inviting him and his Lady to attend the Canadian Breakfast at the 2020 Imperial Session.

### **Old Business;**

- Bylaws were discussed briefly and it was decided that we still needed to hear from all the CAST member Temples for their review and approval before sending them to Imperial for final approval.
- There was further discussion on the transfer of the bank account and all other records from the former Sec/Tres. and setting up a new bank account with the appropriate signing authority as per the bylaws.
- Fundraising discussions to be tabled until next meeting.
- Discussion on the use of the Website for minutes of meetings and issues or stories of interest to all the CAST members.

- Discussions on Imperial Liaison, issues, amendments ideas and letter that was sent to all Potentates and Recorders requesting input. No response to date.
- 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. According to the Imperial Directory, the CAST members currently send their patients to Montreal, Boston, Erie, Spokane, Portland, Mexico City and Twin Cities.

### **New Business;**

- Outgoing Communications are necessary, “keep it alive” Looking for ways to improve such as the use of a Facebook page, a stamp project similar to GIZEH or the use of pins to communicate our Association.
- Consider a Canadian Conference in the future, possibly in conjunction with the SHC – Canada seminar in May of each year.
- A discussion on annual Association dues, amount to remain at \$100 and have 1<sup>st</sup> notice sent out in March of each year.

### **Action Items;**

1. Bob Schrader and Perry McConnell to request bank assets and records and set up new account.
2. Lew Rossner 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 on all aspects of Canadian Breakfast in Kansas City 2020.
4. David Penny to continue developing the Website.
5. Bob Schrader to contact Bob Keep on the issue of dues notices and his discussions with John Piland concerning dues changes.

**Adjournment;**

Meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m. Eastern.

Next meeting to be held by Video Conference Monday, October 21, 2019

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