

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

Minutes of Video Conference Meeting

EMERGENT MEETING

Tuesday, March 31, 2020, 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

Blaine Brooks, Luxor Shriners, Saint John, New Brunswick

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

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

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

Correspondence:

A number of emails among Executive members

New Business: Open discussions were held on a variety of subjects including the following

- a. Canadian Breakfast: Chris Harrison will not have any further information until Imperial itself is settled. 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.
- b. Website and Facebook: Website. www.canadiantemples.com. The minutes of all the CAST meetings will be available on the Website.
- c. Canadian Conference: Schrader led discussion on the suggestion to use Webinar instead of an actual physical gathering considering the conditions that we currently face. Schrader emphasized the importance of CAST being prepared to submit any Imperial Call items immediately following the Canadian Conference. Costs involved in arranging for and using Webinar and how to best use it to get the message and topics out to our members was discussed.

- d. Hilland announced that Al Azhar Temple is willing to front the cost of Zoom and Constant Contact technology for the use of CAST. Arrangements and set up will be handled by himself and Penny through the Sec/Tres.
- e. All CAST Recorders will receive notice that there is something new on the website including the Minutes from each future meeting and any other info from the Executive.
- f. A data base of members of the Divan of each CAST Temple will be assembled for use in the future.

Action Items;

- 1. Hilland will continue to follow-up with all CAST Potentates and Recorders requesting input before the April 2020 meeting.
- 2. Hilland to continue to follow up in April with Chris Harrison on all aspects of Canadian Breakfast in Kansas City 2020. Brooks will assist Hilland.
- 3. 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.
- 4. Penney to continue working on the CAST Website and Facebook page.
- 5. Schrader to continue to take the lead on the setting up of a Canadian Conference in May of 2020. Now considering the use of a Webinar broadcast.
- 6. Schrader to continue to send out emails with up to date info to the Potentates and Recorders as available.

Adjournment:

It was moved by Rossner to adjourn the Meeting. The Meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m. Eastern.

Next regular meeting to be held by Video Conference Monday, April 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