

# SELAMA GROTTO M.O.V.P.E.R.

Session minutes

April 11, 2018

Present: MON David Douglas, CJ Joe Griffith, MOC Chris Webb, Secretary PM Bruce Ward, VP Charlie Clinker, Marshall Russ Wurr, Chaplain James Hughey, Captain of the Guard John Mitton, Sentinel Joe Glaser, .

There were a total of 6 Past Monarchs, 10 red tassels and 1 DeMolay Member.

## **OPENING:**

At 7:30 p.m. the Grotto was opened in due form by the Monarch with the Pledge of Allegiance and allowed for a courtesy salute to the Canadian flag. The Chaplain gave the invocation.

DeMolay member Brendon was invited in to give us an overview of DeMolay and presented the Flower Talk.

## **INTRODUCTIONS AND CALENDAR:**

The MOC introduced the dignitaries and presented the calendar for the next month.

## **APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES:**

The minutes of the previous Stated meeting were distributed in the dining room before the meeting. It was moved, seconded and passed to bypass the reading of the minutes. Minutes were adopted as distributed.

## **Bills:**

3/2/18	Rescue 1 Fire Safety Services	120.34
3/2/18	Frontier February	48.12
3/2/18	Grand Lodge of FL - table @ Pilgrimage	25.00
3/2/18	Emory Brantley - Pest Control	32.10
3/7/18	Bruce Ward - fix for fire inspection	59.60
3/12/18	Bruce Ward - Youth Dance decorations	51.00
3/12/18	Laurie Dowding - Youth Dance food	127.72
3/12/18	city - water	151.27
3/29/18	Duke Energy	220.93

There was discussion about the telephone bill. It was noted that we should investigate other options. It was moved and seconded to pay the bills as read. Passed by voice vote.

The Treasurer reported for the previous month	
885.33	Payments
613.86	Deposits
1,311.95	Balance at EOM

It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the Treasurer's reports subject to audit. Passed 12 to 2.

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Only in January, April, July, and October, skip on other months

Trust Fund Report	
16,602.76	Interest added (12 months)
17,600.00	Withdrawals (12 months)
-997.24	Total Interest Available
19,452.23	Gains (or Losses) last 12 months
354,926.54	Total Value

It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the Trust Fund report. Passed 14 to 0

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Trestleboards from several Lodges. All posted on bulletin board.
2. Letter from Supreme Council about alternates to Supreme Council Convention in June 2018.
3. I was noted that our sponsored Little League Challenger team plays on Saturdays at 9:30 am at their field 7500 30 Ave. No. St. Petersburg.

**PETITIONS:** none

**BALLOTING:** none

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** none

**OLD BUSINESS:** none

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Moved, seconded and passed by voice vote to place a 1/4 page ad in the program for Supreme Council Convention. Chris Webb to design.
2. At Supreme Convention there will be legislation to change our logo from the Mokanna head to the lantern from Humanitarian Foundation.
3. Discussion about alternates, at this time only Barry Duprè will be attending.
4. Joe Griffith resigned at Chief Justice. Russ Wurr was nominated and elected at Chief Justice. Rick Renshaw served as Installing Officer and Barry Duprè served as Installing Marshal
5. Joe Griffith was appointed as Marshal.

**UNIT REPORTS:**

1. Cast Unit – Charlie Clinker - gave a glowing report on our recent Ceremony. Next will be October 6, 2018.
2. Jokers Unit: –David Vincent – no report
3. Past Monarch’s Unit – Joe Griffith – no report

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. Membership: David Vincent – no report
2. Suspension: Bruce Ward – no report
3. Dr of Smiles: Chris Webb – Received a letter today saying both families have been approved, paid, and are closed. One from last year got paid for anesthesia, the other did not.
4. Enchanted Lantern: Joe Griffith – no report
5. Public Relations: David Vincent – no report
6. Toothbrush: John Mitton – Pilgrimage Day we collected \$28.00.
7. Youth Coordinator: Bruce Ward – no report

**SICKNESS and DISTRESS:**

1. Brian Jacob is trying new therapy because old treatments are not working.
2. Bob Elston's wife funeral will be Friday April 13, 2018 at 1:00 pm at the Masonic Home.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS and Good of the Order:**

1. Charlie Clinker made a plea for donations to Corky's Cupboard to benefit the Masonic Home residents. He will set up a box for collections.

**CLOSING:** The Grotto was closed in due form at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Ward, PM, Secretary