

# LODGE SCOTIA No. 263

## *Holding under the United Grand Lodge of Queensland*

MINUTES of Regular Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2016

### OPENING:

The Lodge was tyled at 7: 20pm and the meeting was opened by the Worshipful Master, Wor Bro Stuart Nobbs. The Meeting was declared open after several visiting brethren had been vouched for.

Present were 24 members and 3 visitors inc AGSW.

### WELCOME:

The WM warmly welcomed the visiting Brethren and our AGSW, VWBro J.E. (John) Dodd AGSWks.

### APOLOGIES:

Wor Bros... Don Munro, Jim Williams, Denis Atterbury, Roy Brough.

Bros... Doug Paterson, Scott Bannan, Chris Gaylard.

Wor Bro David Kirk and Bro Darrel Vecchio apologized for absence from the March meeting.

### MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2015 having been circulated to all Scotia brethren, it was moved by the Secretary and seconded by Wor Bro Joe Filippone that they be received – Carried

### BUSINESS ARISING:

There being no further business arising, it was moved by the Secretary and Seconded by Wor Bro Joe Filippone that the Minutes of our regular meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2015 be adopted as a true record of that Meeting.

The motion was carried and the Minutes were duly signed by the Worshipful Master.

### CORRESPONDENCE:

#### INWARD

From UGLQ

- .. Email from Administration & Finance Manager with Accompanying Invoice re our use of the Lodge Room for our Emergent Meeting on 29 January when it was allocation to Brisbane St Lawrence Council.
- .. Email from Administration & Finance Manager saying calendar 'not in error as bookings were on first come - best dressed basis'.
- .. Email from Administration & Finance Manager thanking WM for his response to Brisbane St Lawrence Council.
- .. Email from Grand Secretary including forms for application to be active Grand Lodge Officers.
- .. Email from Grand Secretary requesting Expressions of Interest from brethren wishing to attend Provincial Grand Lodge of Noumea.
- .. Email from Events & Ceremonial Officer enclosing new versions of application forms for Service Jewels.
- .. Email from Administration Officer re missing meeting reports.
- .. Email from Administration Officer requesting changes to Masonic Directory entry if any.
- .. Several editions of 'Clamo!'.

From Board of Benevolence

- .. 'Insights' flyer.
- .. Letter re 'Light Up the Outback' campaign.
- .. Report of Chairman of Board of Benevolence to GL Quarterly Communication.

Other Inward Correspondence

- .. Email from Bro Doug Paterson offering apology for absence.

Report from our AGSW V W Bro John Dodd on meeting of 29 January.

Invitations to.

- .. Lodge Caledonian #14 meeting on 20 February for 150 Year celebrations
- .. Lodge Ionic Prudence #77 meeting on 28 January.
- .. Pine Rivers Lodge #511 meeting on 12 February.
- .. Clifton Lodge #111 meeting on 9 February.

## OUTWARD

To UGLQ

- .. Lodge Meeting Report.
- .. Copy of Summons to GSW, AGSW and Grand Secretariat.
- .. Email to Administration & Finance Manager pointing out 'error' in GL published calendar of Centre bookings showing our meetings in Practice room and another Lodge's practices in Lodge room.

Other Outward Correspondence

- .. Lodge Notice of both Meeting and Emergent Meeting and Minutes to brethren.
- .. Letters to Warren Griffiths and Rhys van Dartel inviting them to attend for Initiation Ceremonies.
- .. Letter of apology from WM to Brisbane St Lawrence Council.

## BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

Re the email from UGLQ about our use of the Lodge room for our Emergent meeting on 29 January:

The WM gave an explanation of the situation. Speakers included Wor Bros Kerry LeBoutillier, Joe Filippone, Tony Vecchio, Greg Hovey, Rod Sellin, and Bros Ron LeBoutillier and Adrian Luus who offered to pay the rent for Brisbane St Lawrence Chapter, which was politely declined by the WM. As the great majority of speakers were opposed to the course of action demanded by GL, it was decided to defer consideration of the course of action we would take until a meeting of the Committee of Enquiry could be held – a motion to this effect was

Moved Wor Bro David Kirk                      Seconded Bro Ron LeBoutillier                      Carried

There being no further business arising, Bro Secretary moved that the Inwards Correspondence be Received and the Outwards endorsed.                      Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_                      -                      Carried

## FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Secretary, Wor. Bro David Kirk, advised the Lodge of the balances of our various accounts:

General Account: \$ 4162.774                      Benevolent Account: \$ 1965.83                      Anniversary Account: \$ 3088.58

Wor Bro Kirk moved that the report be adopted. Seconded by Wor Bro Greg Hovey                      -                      Carried

## ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

The Secretary, Wor Bro David Kirk, advised of the following Accounts requiring Payment.

Moved by Secretary: Wor Bro David Kirk and Seconded by WJW: Wor Bro David Hanney                      that the accounts as read be passed for payment - Carried

## WORK:

As Mr Rhys van Dartel did not attend, the WM announced that the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree would be postponed.

At the suggestion of one of the brethren, the WSW, Wor Bro Terry Philip, delivered his 'interpretation' of the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Tracing Board, for the benefit of our recent Initiates.

Wor Bro Tony Vecchio presented Bro Nathan Vecchio with his Master Mason Certificate.

## GENERAL BUSINESS

Wor Bro Greg Hovey reported on a recent visit he had made to see R Wor Bro Roy Brough. In doing so, he reminded the Lodge that R Wor Bro Brough became eligible for a 70 Year Service Jewel on 18 January 2016.

At the FIRST TIME OF ASKING – Nothing

At the SECOND TIME OF ASKING

Proposed work for next Meeting - on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 at 7.00pm:

3<sup>rd</sup> Degree on Bro Scott Bannan

The next Management Practice meeting was set down for Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 at 7.00pm

The Stewards retired to prepare the Festive Board.

The Charity Box was circulated and received \$63.60.

Proposed visits to other Lodges: Phoenix Lodge on 20 February.

At the THIRD TIME OF ASKING - Nothing

At 9.40pm the Worshipful Master, Wor Bro Stuart Nobbs directed the Worthy Senior Warden, Wor Bro Terry Philip to close the Lodge after having seen that all the wages had been paid so far as due and demanded whereupon the ceremony concluded with the Square of Friendship on the floor of the Lodge.

The WJW Wor Bro David Hanney invited all the brethren to adjourn to the South and the invitation was especially directed to visitors.

Minutes endorsed:

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Worshipful Master  
4 March 2016

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Secretary  
4 March 2016