

**A & A SCOTTISH RITE
VALLEY OF PENSACOLA - ORIENT OF FLORIDA**

EXECUTIVE / DIRECTORS MEETING

September 3, 2013

5:00 P.M.

The Executive meeting was called to order with the Pledge to the Flag lead by Fred Hurd, 33°, Assistant P.R. to the S.:G.:I.:G.: in Florida.

The Invocation was given by: Roger White, 33°

Executive Committee Members:

Harry Kuchenbrod, 33°, P.R. to SGIG (ABSENT)

Kurt Larson, 33°, General Secretary (PRESENT)

Fred Hurd, 33°, Treasurer (PRESENT)

Edwin Stewart, Sr., 33°, Master of Kadosh, Pensacola Consistory (ABSENT)

Thornton L. Rogers, 32°, KCCH, Prior (PRESENT)

Oscar Ferrell, 32°, Commander, Pensacola Council of Kadosh (PRESENT)

Carl G. Kirtley, 32°, KCCH, Wise Master, Pensacola Chapter of Rose Croix (PRESENT)

Cris L. Villaneuva, 32°, KCCH, Venerable Master, Pensacola Lodge of Perfection (PRESENT)

Jimmie Lindt, 32°, KCCH, Bldg. Association Member at Large (PRESENT)

James Gillis, 32°, KCCH, Member at Large (ABSENT)

Guest: Milda Castleberry, Dino Alhambra

Directors:

Ambassadors, Bro. Mike Phillips, (ABSENT)

Americanism: Bro. Billy Williams, (ABSENT)

At Large: Bro. James Salisbury (PRESENT)

Building and Grounds: Bro. John Marshall, (PRESENT)

Dining Room: Hon. Cris Villanueva (PRESENT)

Education: Bro. Bobby Kickliter, (PRESENT)

Family Life: Hon. Benito Bernal, (ABSENT)

Food Services: Hon. Bill Bonifay, (PRESENT)

KCCH Commander: Hon. Bill Bonifay, (PRESENT)

Knights of St. Andrew V.M.: Bro. Bobbie Kickliter, (PRESENT)

Marshall: Hon. Carl Kirtley, (PRESENT)

Media Projects: Vacant

Membership: Hon. Jim Gillis, (ABSENT)

Photographer: Hon. Phillip Davies, (ABSENT)

Policy: Hon. Jack Crooke, (PRESENT)

Public Relations: Vacant

Sickness & Distress: Ill. Edwin Stewart, Sr., (ABSENT)

Scottish Rite Foundation of Florida Financial Support: Ill. John Epperson, (ABSENT)

Scottish Rite Foundation, Inc. Trustee: Ill. Roger White, (ABSENT)

Volunteers: Bro. Danny Swindle, (ABSENT)

Work: Hon. Herman Davies, (ABSENT)

NECSRC, President: Hon. Freddie Briggs, Jr., (ABSENT)

Crestview, President: Bro. Rick Mouer, (ABSENT)

Calendar of S.R. Near Events:

September 4th, Education and Sandwich Supper, 5:30 P.M.

September 5th, Stated Meeting – 25/50 Year Awards, Masonic Youth, Ring & Patent, 6:15 P.M.

September 17th, Fellowship Luncheon – Noon, Speaker P.C.Wu

September 19th, NECSRC meeting in Molino, 6 P.M.

September 26th, CSRC meeting in Crestview, 6 P.M.

Building Usage Report: During the preceding month the building was utilized as indicated:

Aug 1st, Scottish Rite State Meeting

Aug 2nd, York Rite Fundraiser

Aug 4th, York Rite Practice

Aug 5th, York Rite Ladies Social

Aug 5th, Pensacola 42, Stated Communication

Aug 7th, Education and Sandwich Supper

Aug 12th, York Rite Stated Meeting

Aug 19th, Pensacola 42, Stated Communication

Aug 19th, York Rite Ladies Social

Aug 20th, Fellowship Luncheon

Aug 24th, Leadership Pensacola Association Strategic Planning

Aug 27th, Newsletter folding activity

Aug 29th, Knights of Saint Andrew practice

Aug 30th, Allied Masonic Degrees Meeting

During the previous month \$822.60 was collected for the Scottish Rite Foundation of Florida, Inc.

Treasurers Report:

- Ill. Hurd's Treasurer's Report was given and accepted as reported. Copy attached.
- Ill. Hurd's Fundraising Report was given and was accepted as reported.

Secretary's Report:

- As of this date four new member petitions have been received.
- Newsletter is out. Please give us ideas on what you would like to see in future issues.
- NPD list is out. As of this date we have 95. If you subtract the 10 who are over 80 with 40 yrs. Service and the 10 with over 40 years as a member that leaves 75 who are in danger of suspension. We have already heard from one he wants to drop his membership to concentrate on York Rite. Of the final 74 only six were on the PABD list last year. However, 21 are under 60 years old and represent the future of the Valley.

Executive Committee Member Reports:

- A. Venerable Master, Lodge of Perfection, Hon. Cris Villanueva: The Chili and Beans fundraiser is going strong. Tickets have been printed and will be distributed to the Executive Committee and Directors. The fundraiser will be November 15th from 11 AM to 1 PM. The menu will consist of Chili, Crackers, Moon Pies (if available) or assorted cookies, and potato chips. The Venerable Master will be getting with the Director of Volunteers for drivers, prep cooks and packagers.

- B. Wise Master, Chapter of Rose Croix, Hon. Carl G. Kirtley: Fundraiser for the Rose Croix netted \$500 as of this date.
- C. Commander, Council of Kadosh, Hon. Elect Oscar Ferrell: Fundraiser for the Council has brought in \$700 as of today with the goal of \$1000 by the end of October. There have been no expenses to date.
- D. Master of Kadosh, Consistory, Ill. Edwin Stewart, Sr.: Ill. Edwin will not be with us on Thursday so Hon. Thornton Rogers will be introducing his line.
- E. Member at Large (Bldg. Association), Ill. Elect Jimmie Lindt: While it has been reported the roof contract has been given, no work has been performed due to weather. Thankfully we have not had the winds normally this time of year so the leaks aren't any worse.
- F. Member at Large, Hon. James Gillis: No Report

Reports of Directors were given as follows:

- A. Membership (Hon. Gillis): No Report
- B. Ambassadors (Bro. Phillips):
 - Bro. Salisbury reported that the economy is affecting all of Masonry and the increased competition between York Rite, Scottish Rite, Shrine is making it difficult on men to advance in Masonry. We will be utilizing the new brochure to reach out to Masons who are interested in advancing.
 - Bro. Jim reported with the sequestration he is now unemployed and hopes to make use of that time to promote Scottish Rite and Masonry.
- C. Volunteers (Bro. Swindle): No Report
- D. Director of Work (Hon. Davies): Ill. Larson reported:
 - Next week Hon. Davies will be sending note out to degree masters to turn in names for their degrees plus rehearsal times and dates. The names will be due to him no later than the last week of September.
 - Reminder, check *THE OUTLOOK* for degree times and dates for this reunion. Please be on time for your degrees as they are full days.
- E. Sickness and Distress (Ill. Stewart, Sr.): A report was given by Ill. Larson and that only three deaths were identified. This is good; however, we have many men who need your prayers. Included are Tom Martin who is not doing well (in fact he is not doing funeral services anymore due to health issues), Tom Mayhugh who is having a hard time recovering from an event, and Ruth White who is not doing as well as hoped. After caring for Ill. Roger, she has not been well. Ill. Roger will begin chemo treatment in the near future.
- F. Scottish Rite Education (Hon. Elect Kickliter):
 - Education and Sandwich supper will be held tomorrow at 5:30 PM. We will be visiting the 4th, 5th, and 6th degrees and looking at the philosophical meaning behind the degrees.
 - Our ES&S is in dire need of someone to prepare the meals for the evening. Bobbi Barnes has done a great job but is now employed and will not be able to continue. If you have an interest or know of someone who would be great at this type of thing, please let Bobby Kickliter know as soon as possible.

- G. Food Services (Hon. Bonifay):
- Exciting meal is planned for Thursday – Meat Loaf with Mashed Potatoes.
 - Please call Diane for reservations.
 - We are taking away the “reserved signs” from the tables. People are never sure if they are to eat there and we are wasting time, effort and food.
- H. Dining Room (Hon. Villanueva): Dining Room will be set up tomorrow.
- I. Family Life (Hon. Bernal): No Report
- J. Americanism (Bro. Williams): No Report
- K. KCCH (Hon. Bonifay): September 14th is the date set for the Honors Dinner at Franco’s Italian Restaurant at 6:30 PM. We need dinner reservations from all Honors men for them and their wives. Please call the office this week so we don’t embarrass ourselves.
- L. Knights of Saint Andrew (Hon. Elect Kickliter):
- Knighting on October 31st at 6 PM
 - Need help with the Knighting Ceremony for a lengthy part with the illness of Tom Martin. If you can help or know of someone, please let Hon. Kickliter know as soon as possible.
- M. Scottish Rite Foundation Financial Support (Ill. Epperson): No Report
- N. Scottish Rite Foundation / Children’s Speech Clinic Representative (Ill. White):
- Please make a donation. Funds are low and we are not taking monies out of the principal this year.
 - Sell more cookbooks. They make great Christmas gifts.
 - Cruise materials are on the tables for May of 2014. Let’s make this a successful campaign.
 - Ill. Larson floated the idea of inviting the President of Baptist Hospital to come to the Scottish Rite or better for us to go to Baptist with a huge check indicating the financial assistance from the Scottish Rite Foundation. He also recommended that the meeting be coordinated with the SGIG to double our exposure, not only in Pensacola but across the State.
- O. Policy Development (Hon. Crooke): Still working on the manual. It’s time intensive and a thankless job. Thanks for all the hard work Jack.
- P. Building and Grounds (Bro. Marshall): Bro. Marshall has the list and will begin working on it in the next week or so.
- Q. Valley Marshall (Hon. Kirtley):
- Hon. Kirtley was asked to put Roger White on the agenda for Thursday.
 - This Thursday we will honor our Ring and Patent recipients, Masonic Youth, and our 25/50 year members.
 - KSA has flag duties this month.
 - Reminder that KSA and KCCH will have honor duties in December.
- R. Director at Large (Bro. Salisbury): Already reported on Ambassadors.
- S. Media Projects (vacant): No Report

T. Scottish Rite Women’s Association (President Castleberry): “Still plugging along” with nothing new to report.

U. Northern Escambia County Scottish Rite Club (President Briggs): No Report as Hon. Briggs had back surgery and was not able to attend the meeting during recovery.

V. Crestview Scottish Rite Club (President Mouer): No Report

W. Public Relations (vacant): Ill. Elect Lindt presented about the Open House coming up in September 2014. We will need lots of help as the Open House will run 8 AM to 4 PM. We need to get 1500 to 2000 people to visit the building that day. This is our goal. How do we do it?

X. Official Photographer (Hon. P. Davies): No Report

Personal Representative Comments:

- Thanksgiving – Hon. Bonifay presented the idea of moving the Thanksgiving Dinner to the third Tuesday of November. While some questioned not having Thanksgiving for our shut-ins, others said “what difference does it make what day it is”. This would allow those who prepare the meal to spend time with their Brothers and then on Thanksgiving to spend time with their families. Motion was made by Oscar Ferrell and seconded by Carl Kirtley to move the Thanksgiving Dinner. Passed unanimously.

The Committee approved the following charity of the month: American Heart Association

Motion: Kirtley Second: Ferrell PASSED

Correspondence:

- Received a letter from the widow of Brother Ronald M. Levin (attached). It really shows just how important the call a brother program is. Bro. Jim Salisbury reported on the call as he was the one who made it. Ill. Larson said that Masonry is built in the minds and hearts of men not in the buildings or trappings of the Fraternity. If we take care of our members first, the rest will fall into place.

Old Business: No Report

New Business:

- Hon. Thornton Rogers reported that he is working with Ill Hurd and Ill Larson to create the Membership Guidance Team. Instead of using the terminology of Mentoring, his team will guide new members for their first six months. At that point it is hoped a habit will have formed on how important the first Thursday of the month is for fellowship and involvement. He is looking for active members who will participate. He promises he is looking for people who don’t need to much to do but not too little either.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 P.M.

Kurt P. Larson, 33°
General Secretary

Fred Hurd, 33°
Assistant Personal Representative

SCOTTISH RITE MASONIC CENTER

Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through December 2013

	Jan - Dec 13	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Income			
4001.00 · RECEIPTS	60,413.36	128,910.00	-68,496.64
Total Income	60,413.36	128,910.00	-68,496.64
Expense			
6005.00 · Administration	34,190.04	49,306.47	-15,116.43
6011.04 · State Unemployment Tax With...	0.02		
6300.00 · Office Expense	10,438.47	13,410.00	-2,971.53
6400.00 · Insurance expenses	12,036.00	12,036.00	0.00
6500.00 · Supreme Council	1,038.27	18,844.00	-17,805.73
6550.00 · Building Operations	11,526.21	15,245.00	-3,718.79
6600.00 · Reunion Expenses	267.14	780.00	-512.86
6650.00 · Membership Services	7,840.86	12,295.00	-4,454.14
6700.00 · Donations Expenses	7,700.00	6,000.00	1,700.00
6750.00 · Council of 400	108.12	830.00	-721.88
6800.00 · Thirty-third Degree Coronation	0.00	1,812.00	-1,812.00
6900.00 · SGIG visits	0.00	170.00	-170.00
Total Expense	85,145.13	130,728.47	-45,583.34
Net Income	-24,731.77	-1,818.47	-22,913.30