

HALL OF WASHINGTON LODGE No. 20, F. & A. M.
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Virtual-Tiled Stated Meeting

March 4, 2021

The Virtual-Tiled Stated Meeting was opened at 7:30pm with Worshipful Master Francisco Marques presiding and other officers and brethren present during the Zoom virtual-tiled meeting. The virtual tiled stated meetings will continue due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic and statewide suspension of in-person stated meetings and will resume until further notice from the Grand Lodge of California.

Francisco Marques	Worshipful Master	Mauro Lara	Senior Deacon
Russell Tomas	Senior Warden	Not Present	Junior Deacon
Nick Johnston	Junior Warden	Joseph Wallach	Marshall
Eric Hixson, PM	Treasurer	Matthew Mason	Senior Steward
Jesus (Jesse) Solis Jacques, PM	Secretary	David Minke	Junior Steward
Kyle Campbell	Assistant Secretary	Marty Buff	Organist
Bill Workman	Chaplain	Floyd Tritt	Tiler

Other brethren present:

Wally Clark, Richard Stover, Denton Carlson, Dave Glass, Michael Allen, Bob Taylor, Wilbur Wright, Worshipful John Knox, Worshipful Richard Wilson, Worshipful Phil Hardiman.

The Master led the Lodge in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our country.

Announcements:

Worshipful Francisco Marques announced the February birthdays for the following Brothers:

Charles Byrd on the 11th

Heath Hamm on the 13th

Victor Sanchez, PM on the 23rd

Bill Workman on the 23rd

Fred Bloom on the 26th

Max Schell, PM on the 28th

Juan Faranda, PM on the 30th

Eric Van Houten on the 30th

Upcoming Events:

Worshipful Francisco Marques provided details of the following events:

1) OSI - Officers School of Instruction
Inspector of 414th Masonic District: Worshipful Michael Woo (PM)
Wednesday, 03/17 • 07:00 PM
All Masons are welcome (EAs, FCs, MMs)

2) HIDDEN MEANINGS:

International Conference on Freemasonry/Esoterism & Masonic Connections

April 10th from 9:30 AM through 3:30 PM (6 hours)

Reading of the Minutes:

The minutes of the January 7th virtual-tiled Stated Meeting were read and approved by the lodge.

Balloting:

There were no ballots taken.

Reception of Applications:

No applications were received.

Miscellaneous and Unfinished Business:

None presented.

Treasurer's Report/Bills:

Worshipful Eric Hixson gave the monthly report of bills in the amount of \$1,231.09 and moved that the bills be paid. Seconded by Brother Bob Taylor and approved by the lodge.

Communications:

No communications were given.

Committees Reports:

Sunshine: No reports were made.

Temple Board: No reports were made.

Social Media: No reports were made.

New Business:

The Master, Francisco Marques, provided the member status information regarding Brother David Thomas. He stated Brother Thomas applied for affiliation in 2018 and has been vouched for by a couple members that balloting and approval was made in the lodge's minutes and he has not been added to imember as a member with Washington Lodge #20. The Master also stated he is aware that the secretary in 2018, Worshipful Richard Wilson, had technical issues with gaining access to the secretary's laptop and, as a result, the minutes along with the Brother Thomas' application is recorded in his personal laptop. As of today, we are unable to locate Brother David Thomas' application and there are no copies. The Master requested for any possible solutions on the matter and until we are able to locate these essential documents, unfortunately, the only possible solution at this time would be to receive a new application from Brother Thomas, with the fees exempt, and ballot on it on the first in-person Stated Meeting. The secretary Jesse Solis-Jacques, PM, added that all his dues since 2018 have been received and recorded, in the meantime, and we will follow-up with the status of his situation until resolved.

The Master, Francisco Marques, presented the report from the Member Retention Committee, that in accordance with CMC 809.360 describing the remission of dues eligibility requirements, the Committee recommends the remission of dues for 19 members. Brother Russ Tomas, Senior Warden, moved that the 19 members be remitted for 2021. Seconded by Brother Matthew Mason, Senior Steward, and approved by the lodge.

The Master, Francisco Marques, presented the report from the Membership Retention Committee, that in accordance with CMC 804.135, describing the withdrawal of Entered Apprentices requirements, the committee has reported the following four Entered Apprentices who have requested membership withdrawal from Washington Lodge #20:

Brothers Ala K. Sweidan, Jonathan Scott McCartney, Jack Leonard Wagner and Robert Louis Natoli. Brother Mauro Lara, Senior Deacon, moved that the four members be withdrawn from the lodge. Seconded by Brother Michael Allen, and approved by the lodge.

The Master, Francisco Marques, presented the report from the Membership Retention Committee, that in accordance with CMC 804.130, describing the Demit of Master Mason requirements, the committee has reported that Brother Eric Lee Owen, has requested a demit of membership from Washington Lodge #20. Brother Russ Tomas, Senior Warden, moved that Brother Eric Lee Owen be demitted from the lodge. Seconded by Brother Mauro Lara, Senior Deacon, and approved by the lodge.

Worshipful Eric Hixson, Treasurer, reported that a \$75,000 bond was maturing and moved that the lodge reinvest the bond to A-Rated or better. Seconded by Worshipful Jesse Solis-Jacques, Secretary, and approved by the lodge.

Sacred Roll:

No in-memoriams given.

The Virtual-Tiled Stated Meeting was closed at 8:12pm. Stated meeting dinner canceled until further noticed, in accordance with Center for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines and Grand Lodge's decision to suspend all social gathering activities.

Respectfully submitted,

Jesus Solis-Jacques

Jesus (Jesse) Solis-Jacques, PM, Secretary

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Francisco Marques

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Francisco Marques, Master