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Committees

Masonic Education

Rick Reichert*
Bob Johnston**
Frank Glover**
Richard Neiman

Finance Committee

Mike Tavares* (**)
Barry Rimmey Fred Hope
Joe Madenjian Bill McAfee

Charity

Ernie Liverman*
Jim Howard
Richard Nieman

Membership

Mike Tavares *
Jim Howard Robert Casto
Frank Glover Herb Merrick

Masonic Foundation

Rich Reichert*
Arvid Bergman
Bobby Brice Mike Patterson

Masonic Home

Trey Brown *
Eric Anderson
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Bob Johnston

Calling Committee

Gene Middleton*
Mike Tavares
Herb Merrick Joe Madenjian

Fund Raising

Jim Howard*
Richard Neiman
Tom Calloway Herb Merrick

Public Schools and Youth

Dick Wright*
Bobby Brice Mike Tavares

Events

Jim Howard*
Richard Nieman
Trey Brown Robert Casto

Living Past Masters

Robert Jones 1954	Benjamin Clark 1977	Robert Johnston 1993
Steve Phillips 1962	Robert Chula 1979	John Crary 1996
Alphus Clark 1963	Joseph Goldman 1979	Kyle Steuven 1997
Frank Vellella 1966	Fred Hope 1983-1984	Arvid Bergman 1998-99
Kenneth Law 1967	Frank Glover 1985	Tom Dials 2000
Klemens Nelson 1970	Robert Johnston 1986	Mike Patterson 2001
Eugene Fluke 1973	Frank Glover 1988	Mike Tavares 2002
Royal Brown 1976	Robert Johnston 1990	Rick Reichert 2003
Julian McWherter 1977	Matt Vlademar 1991	Herbert Merrick 2004
	Bill McAfee 1992	Trey Brown 2005



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Hancock Lodge
No. 311
Grand Lodge of
Ancient Free & Accepted
Masons of Kansas



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Meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays
Except July and August
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* Indicates chairman of committee
** Proficiency card committee


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Fraternal Greetings to You Brethren

 **From the East:** What a month, three new master masons and an entered apprentice. We have been busy. Also we are looking toward Grand Lodge next month in Salina, if you can get a chance it is a great time to see how things work, we will be voting on the resolution at our first meeting in March so please come out and let your voice be heard. A number of brothers have brought up some good ideas on how we can help our community. We do need to raise some funds so we can do this. I am also looking at doing a community service project with our brothers at Mount Olivette (PH). They are planning a visit next month, let's have a great turn out for this meeting. Also we have a Friends of Masons Day on the 5th of March bring someone you know who is interested in joining us in the greatest fraternity.

 **Tidings from the West:** Thanks to the Brothers that come and contribute to the Fraternity. The attendance is up and looks great on the sidelines, especially for the Candidates and Brothers going through the Degrees, We have had many visitors and it's always good to have them in our Lodge. Please make them feel welcome and invite them back. We should talk to all our Brothers to attend meetings and invite them to the Friends of Masons on 5 March. What a great year we can have by getting involved. Bro Jim

 **Greeting from the South:** Greeting brothers, another busy month has come and gone. It is great to see all the new brothers. I am working up a list of folks to help with the post meeting fellowship. If anyone has a desire for a specific date let me know. The goal is not to have to do this more than once a year so please, sign up. I am also looking for ideas and then help on a fund raiser. Share your good ideas with the committee.

 **From the Secretary's Desk** Grand Lodge Resolutions:
2-301-A. **Grand Lodge Budget** – It shall be the responsibility of the Deputy Grand Master with the assistance of the Council of Administration and the Finance Committee to prepare a budget for his year. After approval by the Council of Administration it will be submitted to the Grand Secretary's office by November 1 and a copy will be mailed to all lodges by December 15 and will be printed in the Advanced Report for presentation by the Deputy Grand Master at the Annual Communication. The budget will be shown in two columns as 1. Budget for the current year 2. Proposed budget for the coming year, and must be approved as a whole by a majority vote of Grand Lodge. At the end of his term as Grand Master he shall account for the spending of his budget by having the Grand Secretary print the receipts and disbursements as per by-law 2-111.
This budget must be balanced and may not be overspent except by an act of nature or by vote of the craft.

Work in Waiting ►

This information is updated weekly on our web site!

Petition Read – Investigation Committee Appointed

Awaiting Entered Apprentice Degree

Awaiting Fellow Craft Degree

Bro. D Thomasson , and Bro Sidney McManus (courtesy work when approval received)

Awaiting Master Mason Degree

Bro Josh Hoppes (Dec 05)

Newly Raised Master Masons: Bro John Garnsey , Bro Scott Harbison, Bro. Steven Hoffpauer

* Indicates proficiency proved (or imminent) and now ready for degree work.

** Indicate courtesy work for another lodge.

(D) Deployed
(C) College

Calendar of Events

Thursday, 2nd **Stated** – 7:30 p.m.

Saturday 5th **Friends of Masons** 1:00 PM Boughton Hall

Thursday 16th **Stated** – 7:30 p.m. American Heart Association Masonic Education.

Thursday 23rd **Study Club** – 6:30 p.m.

Thursday 30th **Open Night** – 6:30 p.m.

Other Masonic Events

National Sojourners 8th March

Byington OES 10th March

Byington OES 24th March

OES Grand Chapter 20th-21st April

Armed Forces Scottish Rite 9th March

Armed Forces Scottish Rite Ceremony of Remembrance 23rd March

Armed Forces Scottish Rite Reunion on or about 27-29 April

Annual Grand Communication: Salina, Kansas

March 17 to 18, 2006

Article VI, Section 13. Standing Committees – The Standing Committees of the Grand Lodge shall be:

(1) On Credentials; (2) On Reports of Grand Officers; (3) On Finance; (4) On Jurisprudence; (5) On Trial and Punishments; (6) On Masonic Education; (7) On Total Youth and Education; (8) On Lodges and Buildings; (9) On Ritualistic Work, consisting of five members each; (10) On Foreign Relations and Correspondence; (11) On Publications; (12) On Necrology, consisting of one member each; (13) On Membership, consisting of not less than seven member; (14) On Nominations.

The Grand Master shall appoint the members of the above committees as soon as practical after his installation, and they shall serve during his term of office, subject to such changes as he may deem expedient. Provided however, that the Committee On Nominations shall be composed of one person appointed by each elected grand officer to be appointed no less than 90 days after their election and installation and serving until the next installation of officers.

2-124H Committee on Nominations – The Committee on Nominations shall seek at least two candidates for every office who shall be qualified in accordance with Article VI, Section 2 of the Grand Lodge Constitution. All persons who by a letter of intent wish to run for a Grand Lodge office shall be allowed to run and shall be placed on the ballot. The Grand Secretary shall see that the nominations presented to him by the Committee on Nominations are listed on a ballot for the office to which they have been nominated.

2-101 Election of Officers – The election of officers shall not take place before the afternoon session of the first day of the Annual Communication. It shall be held under the supervision of the Grand Master, who shall see that the ballots with all candidates for each office are presented to the persons entitled to vote at the Grand Lodge session and who shall select such tellers as may be necessary properly to receive, count and report the vote. The Grand Master may exclude visitors during the election and no other business shall be in order while the election is pending except during such time as the tellers are engaged in counting the votes.

3-622. Lodge Balloting Procedure on Adopting/Rescinding Serving of Alcoholic Beverages -- A lodge must ballot to allow the consumption of alcohol. Likewise, once alcohol consumption is allowed, the lodge must ballot to rescind it. The procedures for balloting to allow/rescind alcohol are as follows:

During a stated meeting, a Brother must make a motion to ballot on a proposal allowing/rescinding alcohol consumption for the lodge.

The motion must be seconded, and the majority of the eligible voters must vote in favor of the motion.

If the motion passes, the lodge must set a date for balloting on the proposal. The balloting must take place on a regular, stated communication. The ballot to allow/rescind must take place at least 45 days from the date that the motion passed. The proposal to allow/rescind alcohol must be distributed, in writing, to all members of the lodge at least 30 days prior to the ballot on the stated communication.

A simple majority of the ballot is required for the allow/rescind proposal to pass.

3-619. Serving of Alcoholic Beverages — ~~The serving or consumption of any beverage having a recognized or indicated alcoholic content at any communication or social function of any Lodge shall be deemed an offense against the Body of Masonry. This does not preclude lodges from renting their facilities, except Lodge rooms, to groups where alcoholic beverages are served, but not sold. Alcoholic beverages (hereafter referred to simply as “alcohol”) may be served and consumed within lodges in accordance with the following provisions:~~

The permissible types of alcoholic beverages, if any, can be established by each lodge

No alcohol to be stored, served, or consumed in the lodge room proper (the room in which Masonic ceremonies are normally conducted) on any occasion

Alcohol stored in the lodge building must be stored locked up

Alcohol may only be served to Masons and their invited guests

Alcohol cannot be sold or have any fee associated with the serving of alcohol

No alcohol can be served or consumed prior to the opening of a lodge or any other Masonic ritual

The only official Masonic meeting(s) during which alcohol may be served and consumed are Table Lodges and Festive Boards

Each lodge that permits alcohol must be aware of, and operate in accordance with, all federal, state, and local laws

Each lodge that permits alcohol must submit to Grand Lodge copies of all local and municipal laws and ordinances that govern the serving and consumption of alcohol

PRIOR TO the initial serving of alcohol

Each lodge that permits alcohol must relieve the Grand Lodge of any and all legal liability

A lodge must ballot to allow alcohol (see separate rules on this)

A lodge can adopt its own rules to make the serving and consumption of alcohol more restrictive, but never more permissive than what’s specified by the Grand Lodge of Kansas

Alcohol can not be served or consumed as part of any function sponsored by a Masonic youth organization

Temperance must be observed

Brotherly love and harmony must not be infringed Lodges may rent their facilities, except Lodge rooms, to groups where alcoholic beverages are served but not sold.

(Amended 1982, 2002, 2006). Cross Reference: By-Laws, Chapter 1, By-Law 3-622

4-206A. Appointment of Coach — After the conferral of each degree, the Master shall appoint a coach or sponsor to assist the ~~candidate~~ candidate Brother in preparing to demonstrate his proficiency. (Adopted 1983)

106. Grand Master's Suspension/Expulsion of a Brother - If the Grand Master suspends or expels a brother, a specific reason and details of the offense must be given to the brother at the time of the suspension or expulsion. Within 60 days of the suspension or expulsion, a trial by peer Master Masons must be held. This trial consists of 5 Master Masons who will hear the evidence and decide whether the suspension or expulsion will remain in effect.

The Grand Lodge must provide 2 Master Masons for the trial, neither of which can be a Grand Lodge officer. The other 3 Master Masons are selected by the District Deputy Grand Master (DDGM) for the suspended/expelled brother's lodge. All 3 Master Masons selected by the DDGM must belong to the same district as the brother who has been suspended/expelled. At least 1 must belong to the same lodge as the brother who has been suspended/expelled and at least 1 must belong to a different lodge.

The date and time for the trial must be established by the DDGM. The DDGM must strive to make the date and time convenient for all. The trial must be held at the lodge building of the brother who is suspended/expelled. The DDGM will preside over the trial but cannot vote.

The Grand Master (or a designee) must attend and provide his rationale for the suspension/expulsion. The suspended/expelled brother may attend and present his side of the story if he chooses (he must be invited, and his schedule requirements must be held with the same importance as the others). Once the GM (or his designee) has made his presentation and the suspended brother has presented his rebuttal (if he chooses), the review panel of 5 Master Masons must vote on the validity of the suspension/expulsion. A simple majority (3 or more) will decide whether the suspension/expulsion remains in effect.

If the trial is not held within 60 days, the suspension/expulsion will be automatically reversed.

5-202. Limitation -- No charge shall be entertained against any Mason for any offense committed before he petitioned for the Mysteries of Masonry, nor for any offense committed more ~~that~~ than five years before filing of the complaint.

2-301. Grand Lodge Per Capita Tax and Special Assessment- Every Lodge Working under a Warrant of Constitution shall pay annually to the Grand Lodge a Per Capita Tax of ~~\$17.00~~ \$24.00 on the roll of membership for the preceding year, commencing January 1, ~~2004~~ 2007, \$2.00 of which will be used for the Kansas Mason only and \$3.00 of which shall go to the Kansas Masonic Home, \$1.50 of which shall be split evenly between Kansas Order of DeMolay, Kansas Order of Rainbow for Girls, and Kansas Jobs Daughters, and with the further provision that the portion allocated to the Kansas Masonic Home shall never be less than \$1.50 per capita. Furthermore \$0.50 per year shall go to The George Washington Masonic National Memorial. **Provided,** That any increase in the per capita tax shall become effective on the Lodge roll of membership determined on December 31st, the following year. (Amended 1974, 1978, 1982, 1988, 1991, 1993, 1996, 2003.)