

**MEETING OF THE CORPORATE BOARD
OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE
OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF FLORIDA**

December 16, 2017

No. 24

A Meeting of the Corporate Board of Directors was called to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Grand Master's Office at the Masonic Home of Florida by M.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, Grand Master, Chairman, with the following members present:

M.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, Grand Master, Chairman
R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master
R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden
R.: W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden
R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer
M.: W.: Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M.
R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M.
M.: W.: Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, Secretary to the Board

Also Present:

M.: W.: James W. Ford, P.G.M.	M.: W.: J. Dick Martinez, P.G.M.
R.: W.: Michael L. Elliott, D.D.G.M. (Dist. 17)	R.: W.: F. Joseph Smedley, P.D.D.G.M.
R.: W.: Donald W. Cowart, W.: Sr. Grand Steward	R.: W.: Robert J. Lambert, P.D.D.G.M.
R.: W.: Jeffrey S. Foster, P.D.D.G.M.	R.: W.: Wallace T. Fine, P.D.D.G.M.
R.: W.: Michael S. Binder, P.D.D.G.M.	R.: W.: Ronald E. Peebles, P.D.D.G.M.
R.: W.: Stephen R. Gladstone, General Counsel	R.: W.: D. Mark Small, P.D.D.G.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by R.: W.: D. Mark Small, P.D.D.G.M., and prayer was offered by R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master. The Grand Master introduced the members of the Board and others present.

A motion was made by R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master, and seconded by R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden, to approve the Minutes of Corporate Board Meeting No. 20 of November 18, 2017; Poll No. 21 of November 21, 2017; Poll No. 22 of November 29, 2017; and Poll No. 23 of October 30, 2017. Motion carried.

MASONIC HOME ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – DECEMBER

- A contract with KG Health Partners to provide in-house dermatology services for residents was presented to Legal Counsel for review. Legal Counsel gave approval to submit the contract to Most Worshipful Richard G. Hoover, Grand Master, for final approval.
- The residents and staff would like to express their appreciation to the 26th Masonic District for hosting the Annual Holiday Program with gifts and entertainment to be held today.
- The 24th Masonic District made their annual delivery of the 150+ poinsettias to beautify resident rooms and common areas for the holiday. We appreciate this wonderful tradition.
- Bob Elston, President of the Resident Council, made his report on behalf of the residents.
- Mrs. Bernice Hartman, sponsored by Nitram Lodge No. 188, was recognized as the December 2017 Resident of the Month.

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT – DECEMBER

1. Our fire water supply backflow valve must be constantly monitored (per code) and Bob Robertson is looking into getting a wireless monitoring system for this purpose.

2. Inspection tags for the fire and smoke doors on the second floor of the Nursing Center have been discovered to be missing and must be replaced as soon as possible. Next week a five year fire inspection report is due on the fire sprinkler system for the facility.
3. Two air handler units are scheduled for repair this month.
4. A comprehensive energy services inspection was performed on our facility last week to survey the air handler units and all mechanical equipment. Duke Energy Company will be coming to our facility for a free energy audit in January.
5. The following contracts are up for renewal in January: Red Bag, LLC (biohazard waste disposal) and Bingham Pest Control.
6. The Long Range Planning Committee has scheduled a facility maintenance walk-through inspection for Saturday, January 20th at 7:00 a.m.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT – DECEMBER

A. Marketing:

- i. Reviewed tracking inquiries: 18 inquiries total with 6 for non-Masons.
- ii. Continued email lists with digital newsletters to families and Lodge Secretaries.
- iii. Postcards were sent to 10,000 Masons and we are preparing a postcard for 200-400 homes in the surrounding community within 2 miles of the Masonic Home announcing that the Masonic Home now admits non-Masons on the Private Pay Plan.
- iv. The Administrator has set up a Senior Expo in January. We have held one Open House at the Home and another is tentatively set for January.
- v. The Administrator will prepare a flyer to include in the Grand Lodge Packet and to be included with new Master Mason Certificates informing them about the Masonic Home.

B. Operations:

- i. Since it has been 10 years since the last energy audit Bob Robertson requested Duke Energy to perform one next month.
 - ii. We have 102 residents: 56 ALF and 45 SNF; 61 ladies and 40 men
- C. AHCA site visit was held this past week. The inspection went well and the final report is forthcoming.
- D. Greystone Proposal: The 5 month study has been approved and the contract has been approved by General Counsel and the Corporate Board. Phase I will commence when the contract is executed.
- E. Planning has commenced for the 100 Year Anniversary of the Masonic Home during the 2018-2019 Grand Lodge Year. Tentatively, we would like to plan all year long recognition activities in addition to an anniversary celebration.
- F. After reviewing the efficiency of the Lodge Incentive Program a letter to the Lodges informing them that the program will be discontinued on March 31, 2018, will be sent.

R.:W.: John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master, moved for acceptance of the Administrator's Report, the Long Range Planning Committee Report, and the Operations Committee Report for December as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.:W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT – DECEMBER

During the month of December two applications for admission to the Masonic Home were approved by the Admissions Committee and one application for admission to the Masonic Home was denied. No applications for Non-Resident Relief were approved. One application was approved and one application was denied for Emergency Relief.

R.:W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden, moved for acceptance of the Admissions Committee Report for the month of December as printed and distributed and the motion was seconded by R.:W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden. Motion carried.

**MASONIC HOME APPLICATIONS APPROVED
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING – NOVEMBER**

During the month of November the following applications were approved by the Board of Trustees for admission to the Masonic Home:

Ories and Virginia Douglas, sponsored by Moore Haven Lodge No. 61
Ronald Wisor, sponsored by Mandarin Lodge No. 343, pending receipt of additional documentation

NON-RESIDENT RELIEF REPORT – NOVEMBER

During the month of November Non-Resident Relief Funds were distributed in the amount of \$1,000. The Admissions Committee inadvertently did not include the distributions of these funds in the report for November; however, the Chairman confirmed that it was approved by the committee.

R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden, moved for the adoption of the Masonic Home Applications Approved by the Board of Trustees Report and the Non-Resident Relief Report for the month of November. Second was made by R.: W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

NEW ACCOUNT NUMBERS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

During the month of November the following new General Ledger Account Numbers were created:

ACCOUNT NO.	NAME:	ACCOUNT TYPE:
060 00-00 24754.001	Haithcock, Charles (Cash)	Liability
060 00-00 24755.001	Haithcock, Karen (Cash)	Liability
060 00-00 24756.001	Cervi, Shirley (Cash)	Liability
060 00-00 26227.008	Decamp, Joan (Private Pay)	Liability

R.: W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, moved for the adoption of the New Account Numbers Report for the month and November. Second was made by R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M., and the motion carried.

**CREDIT APPLICATIONS REPORT
GRAND LODGE AND MASONIC HOME OF FLORIDA FOR NOVEMBER**

During the month of November no credit applications were received for the Grand Lodge Office or for the Masonic Home of Florida.

R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M., made a motion for the adoption of the Credit Applications Report for the month November which was seconded by M.: W.: Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M. Motion carried.

LIST OF ESTATE ACTIVITY FOR NOVEMBER

The Board then reviewed the List of Estate Activity for November. M.: W.: Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M., moved for acceptance of the report for the month of November as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, and the motion carried.

**FUNDS RECEIVED FOR THE MASONIC HOME ENDOWMENT FUND, INC.
FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR THE MASONIC HOME BUILDING FUND**

The Board reviewed the funds received from estates and wills through the month of November for the Masonic Home Endowment Fund, Inc. (\$635,463.32). The Board then reviewed the funds available for the Masonic Home Building Fund (\$227,528.11).

R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, made a motion for acceptance of the reports for the month of November which was seconded by R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master, and the motion carried.

MASONIC RELIEF FUND REPORT – NOVEMBER

During the month of November a total of \$303,758.33 was received and deposited into the Masonic Relief Fund for hurricane relief bringing the year to date total to \$348,861.83.

R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master, made a motion for acceptance of the report for November. Second was made by R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

MASONIC HOME BUDGET REPORT – NOVEMBER

We report that we are currently 1.6% under budget (\$129,000) for the fiscal year based on the final budget, after amortizing for the insurance premiums already paid.

R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden, made a motion for acceptance of the Masonic Home Budget Report for November as presented by R.: W.: R. James Rocha at the Pre-Board Meeting which was seconded by R.: W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

The Grand Master then recognized R.: W.: Stephen R. Gladstone, General Counsel, to present the following report:

REPORT OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

I. CONTRACT REVIEW/GRAND LODGE:

General Counsel has not received any documents for review from the Grand Lodge Office since the last Board Meeting.

II. PROPERTIES:

General Counsel continues to work with the Building Department on curing violations on the Dania Beach Property.

General Counsel is still attempting, without retaining local counsel, to obtain a deed for the adjoining property from Yvonne Castiglia who was granted a life estate in property from the Estate of Ernest Carrin.

III. ESTATES:

General Counsel continues to monitor various open estates whose beneficiaries include Grand Lodge and/or the Masonic Home of Florida. General Counsel continues to be in contact with local counsel in Minnesota who has been retained to aid in the probate of the son of a Masonic Home resident who is the only heir.

IV. MASONIC HOME:

General Counsel is working with the Admissions Committee, including undertaking title and asset searches for incoming residents. General Counsel is also assisting the Board of Trustees in drafting Proposed Legislation; has reviewed a proposal from Greystone; and reviewed a medical services agreement from KG Health Partners for the Assisted Living and Skilled Nursing facilities.

R.: W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, moved for acceptance of the Report of the General Counsel as presented. Second was made by R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M., and the motion carried.

LIST OF PROPERTY ACTIVITY BY COUNTY – NOVEMBER

After a review of the List of Property Activity by County for the month of November, R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M., moved for the adoption of the report as printed and distributed. Second was made by M.: W.: Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M., and the motion carried.

The Grand Master called upon R.: W.: Wallace T. Fine, State Chairman of the Properties Committee, to present the following report:

REPORT OF THE PROPERTIES COMMITTEE – DECEMBER

1. **Zone 1 Properties Committee Chairman W.: Kenneth E. Thorndyke**
The Blocker Property, a lot at 0000 Longhorn Trail, Gulf Breeze, FL
The property is vacant land located in a wetlands area at the south end of the county and is unusable and has no resale value.
2. **Zone 2 Properties Committee Chairman R.: W.: Robert L. Gentry**
The Love Property at Fort McCoy Campground, North of SR 316, Site #10
The property is located in Marion County. We have tried to donate the property to the Boy Scouts and other organizations and have not been successful.
The Crofton Property at Davis Street, Quincy, FL 32351
The property is vacant land with little value due to the lack of access to the property.
The Clardy Property at 929 SE 8th Street, Ocala, FL 34471
The items in the house need to be sold and the property needs to be put on the market.
3. **Zone 3 Properties Committee Chairman Brother Nick D. Deonas**
Vacant Land, Starke, FL, owned by Masonic Charities of Florida, Inc.
The fencing of the property is completed and the gate is locked.
The Castiglia Property at 6560 Perry Street, Jacksonville, FL 32208
The property has many things in the house and garage. Once the house has been cleaned out it will be put on the market.
4. **Zone 6 Properties Committee Chairman Brother Jeffrey A. Tumbarello**
The DeFrenn Property at 13 Pinewood Blvd., Lehigh Acres, FL 33936
There is a title problem and General Counsel is working on the issue.
5. **Zone 7 Properties State Chairman R.: W.: Wallace T. Fine**
The Scally Property at 37 SW 10th Street, Dania Beach, FL 33004
General Counsel is working on the code violations and fines associated with the property and we are collecting rent.
6. **Out of State Property State Chairman**
The Shemela Timeshare at Sand Ocean Club in Myrtle Beach, SC Condo 1206 week 9
We continue to look for an agent in the area.

Vehicles for sale:

- 1996 Chevrolet Corvette – 88,000+ miles

M.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, Grand Master and Chairman of the Board, instructed the State Chairman of the Properties Committee to have the Zone Chairman put a “For Sale By Owner” sign on the Crofton Property in order to get the attention of the adjoining property owners and to strike some interest in the property in order to sell it.

M.: W.: Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M., made a motion to set the price of the 1996 Chevrolet Corvette at \$4,500 and authorize the State Chairman of the Properties Committee to accept an offer as low as \$3,500. R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, seconded the motion which carried.

M.: W.: Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M., made a motion to accept the Properties Committee Report for December as presented. R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, seconded the motion which carried.

R.:W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Chairman of the Insurance Committee to renew the Workers Compensation Insurance Policy with FCCI. The Chairman of the Insurance Committee informed the Board that the premium is down by \$10,694 due to rate reductions and a lower Experience Modification Rate. The Chairman commended the management of the Grand Lodge Office and the Masonic Home for the lower Experience Modification Rate. R.:W.: John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master, seconded the motion which carried.

R.:W.: John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master, made a motion that the appointments to the General Service Panel for the 2018-2019 Grand Lodge Year be approved. R.:W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden, seconded the motion which carried.

R.:W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden, made a motion to approve the purchase of the Incoming Grand Master's Coins (1,200 Bronze and 300 Silver). R.:W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, seconded the motion which carried.

R.:W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, made a motion to approve the sale of the 2005 Holiday Rambler RV for \$25,000. R.:W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M., seconded the motion which carried.

There being no further business to come before the Corporate Board the meeting was closed at 10:42 a.m. Benediction was then offered by R.:W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden.

Respectfully submitted:



Richard E. Lynn, Grand Secretary
Secretary to the Board

Approved:



Richard G. Hoover
Grand Master

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December 27, 2017

No. 25

At the request of the Grand Master, a poll of the Corporate Board of Directors was taken requesting the approval of a recommendation of the Chairman of the Properties Committee to accept an offer of \$2,000 from Greg Columbo for the 2005 Mercury Grand Marquis LS located at the Masonic Home of Florida. The members voted as follows:

M.: W.:	Richard G. Hoover, Grand Master, Chairman	Yes
R.: W.:	John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master	Yes
R.: W.:	John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden	Yes
R.: W.:	Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden	Yes
R.: W.:	Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer	Yes
M.: W.:	Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M.	Yes
R.: W.:	Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M.	Yes

Respectfully submitted:



Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M.
Secretary to the Board

Approved:



Richard G. Hoover
Grand Master

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January 11, 2018

No. 26

At the request of the Grand Master, a poll of the Corporate Board of Directors was taken requesting the approval of a recommendation of the Chairman of the Properties Committee to accept an offer from Scott Boyer to purchase his mother Agnes Boyer's Order of Easter Star ring for \$150.00 and a white gold ring with five diamonds for \$150.00. The members voted as follows:

M.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, Grand Master, Chairman	Yes
R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master	Yes
R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden	Yes
R.: W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden	Yes
R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer	Yes
M.: W.: Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M.	Yes
R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M.	Yes

Respectfully submitted:



Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M.
Secretary to the Board

Approved:



Richard G. Hoover
Grand Master

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No. 27

At the request of the Grand Secretary, a poll of the Corporate Board of Directors was taken requesting the approval of the 2017 Perpetual Membership distribution amount of \$707,835.41 (5% of the Market Value of the Fund), which calculates to a yield of 6.3420% distribution to the Lodges as the Fund did not earn the required amount of Net Income to meet the 5% payout per the Digest of the Masonic Law of Florida. The members voted as follows:

M.: W.:	Richard G. Hoover, Grand Master, Chairman	Yes
R.: W.:	John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master	Yes
R.: W.:	John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden	Yes
R.: W.:	Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden	Yes
R.: W.:	Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer	Yes
M.: W.:	Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M.	Yes
R.: W.:	Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M.	Yes

Respectfully submitted:



Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M.
Secretary to the Board

Approved:



Richard G. Hoover
Grand Master