

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

February 10, 2018

No. 30

A Meeting of the Corporate Board of Directors was called to order at 10:15 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
R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M.
M.: W.: Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, Secretary to the Board

Absent: M.: W.: Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M. (Excused)

Also Present:

M.: W.: James W. Ford, P.G.M.	R.: W.: Lawrence A. Williamson, P.D.D.G.M.
R.: W.: Stephen R. Gladstone, General Counsel	R.: W.: Wallace T. Fine, P.D.D.G.M.
R.: W.: J. Paul Stellrecht, W.: Grand Orator	R.: W.: Robert J. Lambert, P.D.D.G.M.
R.: W.: Ronald E. Peebles, P.D.D.G.M.	R.: W.: Brian R. Poole, W.: Grand Chaplain
R.: W.: Jeffrey S. Foster, P.D.D.G.M.	R.: W.: Donald W. Cowart, P.D.D.G.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by M.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, Grand Master, and prayer was offered by R.: W.: Brian R. Poole, W.: Grand Chaplain. 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. 28 of January 20, 2018, and Poll No. 29 of February 1, 2018. Motion carried.

MASONIC HOME ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – FEBRUARY

- We would like to thank De Soto Lodge No. 105 for hosting a Senior Prom for all of the Masonic Home Residents. All attendees had a wonderful time and proceeds helped support First Lady Hoover's Masonic Home Project.
- We would also like to thank the 28th Masonic District for putting on another excellent annual Valentine's Day Party for the residents. This event is a highlight each year.
- The contract with MobilexUSA Diagnostic Laboratories was presented to the Legal Advisor for review prior to submitting to M.: W.: Richard G. Hoover, Grand Master, for approval.

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT – FEBRUARY

1. The 2,000,000 BTU Fulton pulse boiler has failed so the factory representative from Fulton inspected the unit and advised that it is not cost effective to repair. It has only been five years since the unit was installed new. Hill York Air Conditioning & Energy Solutions, the company that currently holds the maintenance contract on the boilers, quoted a price of \$11,000 to convert the existing diesel boiler to a natural gas system; however, this is not recommended by our expert Michael Maher of TECHNICO. Michael Maher stated that the backup diesel fired boiler is 30 years old and is operating adequately right now, even though it is costing approximately \$11,000 per month in diesel fuel to

keep it running; it is currently heating and providing hot water for the building. However, by converting the failed boiler to natural gas instead of replacing the it would give us absolutely no redundancy in our boiler operation system. Mr. Maher is familiar with our system and is recommending that we install two 1,000,000 BTU Lochinvar boilers. These new boilers, in addition to the 750,000 BTU boiler and the 500,000 BTU diesel fired boiler that we still have, would give us a lot of the needed redundancy in our system. Mr. Maher will furnish the equipment at his cost of \$39,000 and will provide us with a fully licensed and capable commercial boiler system installation company that will remove the old equipment and install the new system for an estimated cost of \$20,000. The Long Range Planning Committee is recommending that, since this is an emergency, we approve a budget of \$80,000 with a \$20,000 contingency to purchase the system and have it installed as soon as possible. Our Maintenance Director, Bob Robertson, informed us that we are currently using over \$10,000 of diesel fuel each month to operate our back up system in order to keep all systems in the building operating. All Long Range Planning Committee Members agree that this is absolutely an emergency and needs to be dealt with immediately. Any failure of the remaining boilers could cause us to require an evacuation of the facility. Mr. Maher states that he can acquire the equipment and have it at the Masonic Home within approximately 10 days after it is ordered.

2. R.:W.: B. Allen West is reporting that the First Lady's Project, which is the remodeling and rebuilding of the Physical Therapy Room, is on schedule.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT – FEBRUARY

A. Marketing:

- i. Reviewed tracking inquiries: 22 total with 6 from non-Masons and 9 tours.
- ii. A postcard for the homes in the surrounding community announcing that the Masonic Home now admits non-Masons on the Private Pay Plan are to be mailed shortly.
- iii. The Administrator is finishing a flyer to be included with the Grand Lodge Packets and to be included with new Master Mason Certificates informing new Masons about the Home.

B. Greystone Proposal: The consultant is gathering information and documentation and will be onsite for Phase I on February 23, 2018.

C. Planning has commenced for the 100 Year Anniversary of the Masonic Home. A celebration is tentatively set for Pilgrimage Day in 2019 and the Administrator is planning monthly recognition events all year long.

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 February as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.:W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT – FEBRUARY

During the month of February no Masonic Home Applications were submitted for approval to the Admissions Committee. One application for Non-Resident Relief was approved and one was denied.

R.:W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden, moved for acceptance of the Admissions Committee Report for the month of February 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 – JANUARY

During the month of January the following application was approved by the Board of Trustees for admission to the Masonic Home:

William Brice, sponsored by Eola Lodge No. 207

NON-RESIDENT RELIEF REPORT – JANUARY

During the month of January no funds for Non-Resident Relief were distributed.

R.: W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior 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 January. Second was made by R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M., and the motion carried.

NEW ACCOUNT NUMBERS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

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

ACCOUNT NO.	NAME:	ACCOUNT TYPE:
060 00-00 24763.001	Jones, Else (Cash)	Liability
060 00-00 24764.001	Dodge, Holles (Cash)	Liability
060 00-00 26228.008	Kersey, Frances (Private Pay)	Liability

R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M., moved for the adoption of the New Account Numbers Report for the month of January. Second was made by R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, and the motion carried.

CREDIT APPLICATIONS REPORT GRAND LODGE AND MASONIC HOME OF FLORIDA FOR JANUARY

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

R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, made a motion for the adoption of the Credit Applications Report for the month January which was seconded by R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master. Motion carried.

LIST OF ESTATE ACTIVITY FOR JANUARY

The Board then reviewed the List of Estate Activity for January. R.: W.: John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master, moved for acceptance of the report for the month of January as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden, 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 January for the Masonic Home Endowment Fund, Inc. (\$675,443.18). The Board then reviewed the funds available for the Masonic Home Building Fund (\$431,528.11).

R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden, made a motion for acceptance of the reports for the month of January which was seconded by R.: W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, and the motion carried.

MASONIC RELIEF FUND REPORT – JANUARY

During the month of January a total of \$1,510.00 was received and deposited into the Masonic Relief Fund for hurricane relief bringing the year to date total to \$514,921.83.

R.: W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, made a motion for acceptance of the report for January. Second was made by R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M., and the motion carried.

MASONIC HOME BUDGET REPORT – JANUARY

We report that we are currently 0.7% under budget (\$54,800) 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 January as printed and distributed 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 will be discussing the varied issues and possible sale of the Dania Beach Property.

General Counsel is awaiting a resolution on the Castiglia/Perry Street Property in Jacksonville which was forwarded to local counsel.

General Counsel has proposed that the Rulifson Property located in Pinellas Park be turned over to the lender upon verification of the non-recourse status of the mortgage due to its property value as compared to the outstanding balance of the reverse mortgage.

III. ESTATES:

General Counsel continues to monitor various open estates whose beneficiaries include Grand Lodge and/or the Masonic Home of Florida.

IV. MASONIC HOME:

General Counsel is working with the Admissions Committee, including undertaking title and asset searches for incoming residents.

R.:W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M., moved for acceptance of the Report of the General Counsel as presented. Second was made by R.:W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, and the motion carried.

LIST OF PROPERTY ACTIVITY BY COUNTY – JANUARY

After a review of the List of Property Activity by County for the month of January, R.:W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, moved for the adoption of the report as printed and distributed. Second was made by R.:W.: John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master, 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 – FEBRUARY

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 and we have posted a FOR SALE BY OWNER sign.
The Clardy Property at 929 SE 8th Street, Ocala, FL 34471
 We are getting a realtor to put the property on the market for sale.
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.
4. **Zone 4 Properties Committee Chairman R.:W.: Reed Rue**
The Rulifson Property at 4385 94th Avenue N, Pinellas Park, FL 33782
 The property has a reverse mortgage which is more than the property is worth. It will be given back to the lender.
5. **Zone 5 Properties Committee Chairman R.:W.: Glenn A. Reynolds**
The Douglas Property at 615 Avenue O, More Haven, FL 33471
 The property is listed for \$89,000.
6. **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.
7. **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.
8. **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: None

R.:W.: John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master., made a motion to accept the Properties Committee Report for February as presented. 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 2017 annual contribution to The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Florida Employee Plan and Trust. It was noted that the annual contribution for the employees of the Grand Lodge Office and the Masonic Home was within budget. R.:W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Junior Grand Warden, seconded the motion which carried.

R.:W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer, then made a motion to authorize the Grand Secretary to sign the approval form to authorize Pencor to allocate the funds for The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Florida Employee Plan and Trust in the amount of \$81,375.38. R.:W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M., seconded the motion. Motion carried.

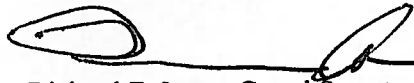
After discussion, R.:W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden, made a motion to change the wording in the Budge Manual in Line Item A-315 from "Masonic Youth Scholarships" to "Youth Scholarships" as the Public Education and Citizenship Committee awards scholarships to high school seniors other than members of the Masonic Youth Organizations of Florida. R.:W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Junior Grand Warden, seconded the motion which carried.

The Grand Secretary explained to the Board that the Grand Lodge American Express invoice is received approximate two weeks before the due date when interest charges and/or a late fee will be assessed if not paid on time. The Grand Lodge Accounting Department encounters difficulties getting the invoice processed and sent to American Express before the due date. The invoice is normally in excess of \$10,000 which requires two original signatures by Elected Grand Lodge Officers and it takes days for the U.S. Postal Service to deliver the check to American Express which could result in interest charges and/or a late fee. Processing the funds by electronic transfer will save time in getting the funds to American Express; therefore, avoiding interest charges and/or a late fee. R.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M., made a motion to approve the payment of the American Express invoice through electronic funds transfer using an approval form that will meet the same requirements of the Digest of the Masonic Law of Florida for a check issued in excess of \$10,000 of two original signatures of Elected Grand Lodge Officers. R.: W.: Thomas L. Turlington, Junior Grand Warden, seconded the motion which carried.

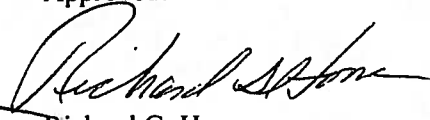
There being no further business to come before the Corporate Board the meeting was closed at 10:51 a.m. Benediction was then offered by R.: W.: John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:



Richard E. Lynn, Grand Secretary
Secretary to the Board



Richard G. Hoover
Grand Master

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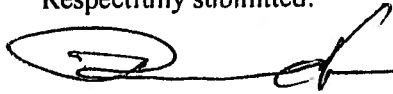
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At the request of the Grand Master, a poll of the Corporate Board of Directors was taken requesting the approval of a recommendation of the Chairman of the Properties Committee to accept an offer of \$131,000 for the Clardy Property located at 929 SE 8th Street, Ocala, Florida, which is currently listed for \$179,000. The Board rejected the offer and counter offered with \$165,000. The buyer rejected the counter offer. The members voted as follows:

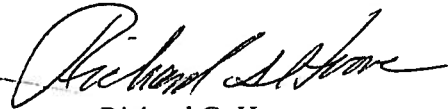
M.: W.:	Richard G. Hoover, Grand Master, Chairman	No
R.: W.:	John E. Karroum, Deputy Grand Master	No
R.: W.:	John W. Westerman, III, Senior Grand Warden	No
R.: W.:	Thomas L. Turlington, Jr., Junior Grand Warden	No
R.: W.:	Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer	No
M.: W.:	Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M.	No
R.: W.:	Glen B. Bishop, P.D.D.G.M.	No

Respectfully submitted:



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

Approved:



Richard G. Hoover
Grand Master