

**MINUTES OF THE DIVISIONAL EXECUTIVE MEETING
HELD AT THE MASONIC HALL TORQUAY
Thursday 5th OCTOBER 2017**

The Meeting was opened by Right Illustrious Knight R.A. Lucas, Intendant-General at 1630.

Present: R.Ill.Kt. Richard Lucas Intendant General, Ill.Kt. Nic St.J. M. White Deputy Intendant General, V.Ill. Kt. B.H. Meldon 238, V.Ill.Kt. R. Rudling 270 V.Ill.Kt. Bill Lissamer 349, P.Kt. J.F. Bate 311, Ill.Kt Frank Corbridge Divisional Treasurer 270, Ill.Kt. Alan Cockman 342 Divisional Recorder

Apologies were received on behalf of; Ill.Kt. P.L. Baycock 432, Ill.Kt. Colin Williams 498, P.Kt. Marc Quigley-Ferriday 253, P.Kt. Orme Vince 311 and V.Ill.Kt. George Evatt 270

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th October 2016 were read, received and approved.

The Treasurer then presented the audit sheet for the year which showed that the financial position is broadly as had been anticipated at the start of the year. We still have a large stock of silk ties at a cost to the knights of £10 and these will continue to generate income for the next few years. In the short term, it would seem that Divisional dues can remain at £3.50 per head for the time being.

Following this report, it was proposed, seconded and approved that the 150 Menu Booklets for the Annual Divisional Meeting be produced professionally. The Recorder had already obtained an estimate in the sum of £116.

It was also agreed that the Division should fund the purchase of 25 of each of the booklets about the degree written by Keith Jackson and Peter Blackwell Smyth to hand to candidates on their Installation.

It was also proposed, seconded and approved that a cheque for £500 be made available to the I-G for presentation to the Grand Sovereign for his 'Care for Children Fund' on his visit to the Annual Meeting on 25th November 2017. The Intendant General then asked the Recorder to contact all the treasurers of the Conclaves to see if they could each provide a donation to that fund from their Conclave Alms account as this was a special occasion.

There being only one nomination for the office of Treasurer, Ill. Kt. F.H. Corbridge was duly elected Divisional Treasurer.

It was proposed, seconded and approved that the two Generals of the Mount Lebanon Conclave No.270 should be the Account Examiners for the Divisional Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2018.

Numbers for the Divisional lunch at the Fingle Glen Golf Club at 82 were exceptionally high again. Following discussion as to the venue for next year's lunch, it was agreed that the venue being popular and reasonably priced should be approached again for the exclusive use of their general bar and dining room. This will be arranged by the Divisional Recorder for Sunday 18th March 2018. (Post meeting the venue has been booked)

The official visits for 2018 were agreed as: Mount Lebanon Conclave 270 – 27th February 2018, St Brannock Conclave 342 14th June 2018 and Resurrection Conclave 432 – 6th July 2018.

The Deputy Intendant Then outlined the proposals of his Recruitment and Retention Committee which were well received and thanks were extended to their committee for all their hard work.

The date and venue of the next Divisional Executive Meeting will be Thursday 4th October 2018 at Torquay at 16:30.

The Recorder pointed out that there were some inconsistencies in the by-laws regarding item 3 (Fees) and it was agreed that he should take the necessary steps to correct the situation.

In closing the meeting the Intendant-General requested that thanks be extended to both his Deputy and the Divisional Recorder for their past support to the Executive Committee..

Alan Cockman
Divisional Recorder