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Grand Council and Commandery,
Jurisdiction of Oklahoma, (PHA)
Western Europe, Far East, Alaska and
the Middle East

Minutes
of the
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Annual
Grand Conclave

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Anthony E. Bowens Right Eminent Grand Commander

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#### 1. Opening:

07:50 A.M., \_George W. Chambers #40 was in charge of opening the ceremony. Eminent Commander Michael R. Knight opened the Occasional Commandery. The Sword of Authority was passed to the V.E. Deputy Grand Commander Frank Fields who received all Elected and Appointed officers Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander Frank Fields ordered all appointed and elected Officers to take their respective positions and assigned a detail to form the Arch of Steel before receiving the Right Eminent Grand Commander Anthony E. Bowens. At 09:04 A.M. the REGC was received and Grand Honors were given. VEDGC Fields passed the Sword of Authority to REGC Bowens.

#### 2. Distinguished Visitors:

09:07 REGC Bowens (HPMEGM) received Most Excellent Grand High Priest Hubbard, The Alaskan Delegation led by Deputy Grand Master Gregory Holmes, to include Senior Grand Warden Derrick Flowers, Past Grand Master Timothy Mullins and Past Master Antonio Anderson, Bobby Thompson Most Eminent Grand Master General Convent General U.S.A. KYCH PHA. Grand Honors were given to all distinguished visitors.

#### 3. Proclamation:

At 09:16 A.M. HPMEGM Bowens ordered the Proclamation read by the Eminent Grand Assistant Recorder, Kyran Ruffin

#### 4. Roll Call of Officers:

At 09:22 A.M. HPMEGM Bowens ordered the roll call of Grand Commandery Officers Elected and Appointed by EGAR Ruffin.

Right Eminent Grand Commander	Anthony E. Bowens (P)
Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander	Frank Fields (P)
Eminent Grand Generalissimo	Amondus Brown (P)
Eminent Grand Captain General	Reginald K. Buggs (E)
Eminent Grand Prelate	Rev. Larry Payne (P)
Eminent Grand Treasurer	Barry L. Rickets (P)
Eminent Grand Recorder	Kenneth H. Kendrick (A)
Eminent Grand Financial Recorder	Frank Fields (P)

Eminent Grand CCFC	Lewis D. Powell (E)
Eminent Grand Royal Advisor	Rev. Roger O. Alford (P)
Eminent Grand Senior Warden	Jimmy Zewalt (P)
Eminent Grand Junior Warden	Bill Harden(P)
Eminent Grand Standard Bearer	Jay Stewart (P)
Eminent Grand Sword Bearer	Reginald Thomas (P)
Eminent Grand Captain of the Guard	Michael Knight (P)
Eminent Grand Warder	Vincent Metcalf (P)
Eminent Grand Sentinel	Augustus Fields (P)
Eminent Grand Assistant Recorder	Kyran L. Ruffin (P)
Eminent Grand Assistant Recorder/ Web	Vacant

## (P) Present/ (A) Absent/ (E) Excused

## **5. Roll Call of District Deputies:**

DDGEC Western Europe	James Parker (P)
DDGEC Stateside	
DDGEC Alaska	A.O. Mustapha (E)
DDGEC South Korea	Sherman Hill (P)
DDGEC Afghanistan	Michael Taylor (E)
DDGEC Middle East	Eric Millen (P)
DDGEC Japan	Vacant
DDGTIM Stateside	Barry L. Ricketts (P)
SDDEGC at Large	Leroy T. Smith III (P)
SDDEGC at Large	

(P) Present/ (A) Absent/ (E) Excused

## 6. Roll Call of Commandery's:

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T   B : "4		Clifton B. Riley # 18	
Tobe Davis # 1		Michael A. Johnson # 12	
King David # 6	Р		Р
		James Mingo # 19	
John D. Henry # 2		Mark Coombs#28	
Jimmie Thomas #2	Р		P
		Willie B. Ford # 21	
R. Emmett Stewart # 3		Reginald Murphy # 21	
Prince Myers #16	Р		С
		Arabian Knights # 22	
Midwest # 4		Rawle S. Somersall # 18	
Sandy Smiley # 13	Р	Name of Comercial # 10	Р
	-	Amondus Brown # 23	-
E.D. Janes # 5		Tyrone Leacock # 19	
E.P. Jones # 5		Tyrone Leadock # 15	
Shawn G. Willis # 30	С		Р
		Edward E. Miller # 24	
Royce H. Bristor # 6		Alfred Bowles#20	
	С		Р
George Bowens # 8	C	Danaia I. Oaatt #00	Г
		Ronnie L. Scott #26	
Alpha & Omega # 7		Anthony E. Bowens #24	
Frederick Douglas # 4	P		P
Roger O. Alford #8	С	Archibald Whaley #28	P
		Kenneth H. Kendrick #27	
Martin & Malcom #9	С	Herman E. Smith #29	P
Martin & Malcom #9		Herman E. Smith #29	
Anthony E. Bowens #11	Р	Frank Fields #30	С
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Anthony E. Eckwood # 3		Anthony Bowens #32	
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		Robert E. Jones #39	
Deary Vaughn # 13			
Clifton B. Riley # 13	С		P

		George W. Chambers #40 Cornelius R Carter #9	
P.W. Hamilton # 14 Joseph T. Thornton #11	Р		Р
Levy A. Wallace # 15 Ronald W. Davie #26	Р	Reginald K. Buggs #41 Benjamin Hooks #34	Р
D. J. Wimberly # 17 Jarrad Harris # 15	Р		

#### (P) Present/ (A) Absent/ (C) Closed

#### 7. Grand Encampment Opening:

REGC Bowens #40 stated that a Quorum was present, and asked the Eminent Grand Prelate Rev. Larry Payne #4 to offer prayer for the opening of the meeting. Right Eminent Grand Commander Bowens declared the Grand Encampment opened at 09:27 A.M.

#### 8. Welcome

A Welcome was given by Sir Knight Spencer Bryant #40 and response given by Sir Knight Derrick Flowers #44.

#### 9. Rules of the Day Report:

09:35 Rules of the day report was read by SK Jay Stewart #17

#### 10. Reading of the minutes:

The 2016 Grand Conclave minutes was read by Eminent Grand Assistant Recorder Ruffin. It was motioned that we accept the minutes by Eminent Grand Generalissimo Amondus Brown and seconded by Eminent Grand Treasure Ricketts #40.

#### 11. Committee Reports:

#### **Audit Report:**

Eminent Grand Treasurer Barry L. Rickets read the Annual Audit Report performed by Joe West Tax Service of Lawton, OK, a motion to accept the report, by PEC Michael Ziegler #17, seconded by SK William Hendricks #2, motion carried.

#### Treasurer's Report:

Eminent Grand Treasurer Rickets read the Annual Treasurers Report. It was motioned by SK Dennis W. Harris Jr. #28 and seconded by SK Tony Brunson #41. Motion Carried.

#### **Grand Financial Recorder Report:**

Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander Frank Fields #15 gave the Financial Report on all Councils & Commanderies. It was motioned by EGG Amondus Brown and seconded by PEC Joseph Atienza #300. Motion Carried.

#### **Fraternal Greetings:**

Fraternal Greetings from Grand Guild, Heroines of Jericho, and Order of the Eastern Stars were given by their delegation. Response by HPGC Shawn G. Willis #15.

#### **Budget Report**:

VEDGC Frank Fields gave the Proposed Budget Report for 2017. It was then motioned by SK James Neals #4 and seconded by PEC Tony Brunson #41 to accept the 2017 Budget report. Motion carried.

#### **Grand Holding Commandery #300:**

VE Frank Fields read the Suspension List for non-payment of dues for the Grand Holding Council and Commandery. He made mention of their last known addresses; he also mentioned that if any Sir Knight knew how to contact them to inform him ASAP. The Suspension date would be 30 June 2017. The Report was motioned by PDDGEC Tony B. Brunson #41 and seconded by DDGEC Sherman Hill #15. Motioned carried.

#### **Investment Report:**

SDDGEC Leroy Smith read the CCBA Financial Report. It was motioned by VEDGC Frank Fields #15 and seconded by DDGEC Sherman Hill #15. Motion Carried.

#### **Charters and Dispensation Report:**

VEDGC Fields rendered the Charters & Dispensation Report for the past year. No new Charters or Dispensations had been issued. It was motioned by SK Sherman Hill #15 and seconded by Henry L. Davis #28. Motioned carried.

#### **Past EC/TIM Degree Report:**

VEDGC Fields reported the names of all Companions and Sir Knights who were eligible to receive the PTIM & PEC Degrees. With the addition of SK Ravon Simpkins to receive the PEC Degree. It was motioned to accept the report by HPGC Shawn G. Willis #15 and seconded by SK Morris Johnson #4. Motion carried.

#### **Fraternal Greetings Report:**

EGP Rev. Larry Payne #4 gave the Fraternal Greetings Report. It was motioned by SK Hector Noel #40 and Seconded by SK Rodney Gardner #15. Motioned carried.

#### **Appeals and Grievances**

EGT Barry Ricketts read the report on Grievances and Appeals. It was recommended that SK Leon C. Lee be reinstated. It was motion by EGG Amondus Brown and seconded by SK James Neals #4.

#### 12. Grand Commander's Address/Allocation:

The REGC presented his annual Allocution at 11:23. A prayer was given by Eminent Grand Prelate. It was motioned by EGP Larry Payne that the report be accepted and be placed in the archives. It seconded by PEC Michael Ziegler #17. Motioned Carried unanimously.

#### 13. Elections:

The REGC Bowens passed the sword of authority to the MEGHP Hubbard to conduct our Annual Elections. MEGHP Hubbard asked the membership how did they want to hold elections. It was stated that election be held by standing vote. It was Motioned and seconded.

There were 59 Sir Knights present and a total of 44 Proxies. Proxies are as follow:

Name No: Proxies

DDGC Sherman Hill 12

Shawn Taylor 32

The total vote count was 103. The following are the election results:

It was motioned by Sir Knight Shawn G. Willis that we only vote for is the Vacant Eminent Grand Recorder. It seconded by PEC Michael Ziegler #17. Motioned Carried.

#### **Eminent Grand Recorder Nominations:**

SK David S. Lee Sr.

No other nominations. David S Lee Sr. elected unopposed.

MEGHP Hubbard instructed the newly elected Officer to approach the alter to be installed and asked the Grand Prelate Rev. Payne to render prayer. He then returned the sword to the REGC Bowens.

**14.** REGC Bowens along with MEGHP Hubbard and GRA Alford excused themselves from the chambers to attend to the Guild and hold their Annual Election. The Sword of Authority was passed to VEDGC Frank Fields. He received the following reports;

#### **State of the Order for Education Report:**

SK Gregory Pace read the State of the order for Education report. It was recommended by the committee that Grand Council & Commandery should continue having work shops and include lectures in its Annual Conclave. It was motioned by PEC Derrick Flowers #44 and seconded by DDGEC Sherman Hill #15. Motion carried.

#### **Charity Report:**

SK Ben Sutton #40 read a request for Report on Charity. It was motioned by HPGC Shawn G. Willis #15 and seconded by SK Henry L. Davis #28 to donate \$500.00 to Lawton Unity. Motioned carried.

#### **Equipment Audit Report:**

This report was given by State Deputy Noel. The report stated that all items were accounted for with no discrepancies. VEDGC Fields stated that the two altar swords should be added to the inventory. It was motioned by SK Jerry Jackson #40 that the Altar Swords be added to the inventory ad the report be accepted. It was seconded by SK Erick Swindel #16. Motioned carried.

#### The following Committees rendered a negative report:

Resolutions, Ways and Means, Constitution and By Laws, Jurisprudence and the Report of the Grand CCFC. It was motion by SK Johnnie Flowers #40 and seconded by HPGC James Neal #4 that the negative reports be accepted as a matter of record. Motion carried.

**15. Passing of the Sword of Authority:** VEDGC Fields passed The Sword of Authority to REGC Bowens upon his return. In turn, REGC Bowens (HPMEGM) passed the Sword of Authority to MEGMG Bobby Thompson and MEGHP James E. Hubbard Jr. who brought fraternal greetings from their organizations.

#### **15. Closing Comments:**

The VEGC stated that there would be staff call Sunday with the time and place TBD.

#### 16. Closing:

The EC Michael R. Knight #40 closed the Grand Conclave promptly at 01:40pm.

#### Peace and Harmony prevailed Under the Cut of Steel

**Attest:** 

Original Signed Original Signed

SK David Lee Anthony E. Bowens, 33<sup>rd</sup>. KYGCH

Eminent Grand Recorder Right

**Eminent Grand Commander** 

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