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Minutes of the
Thirty-first Annual Grand Conclave

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Frank Fields 33° KYCH
Right Eminent Grand Commander

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1. Opening:

08:00 Midwest Commandery #4 was in charge of opening the ceremony. The Occasional Commandery was open in short form. The Sword of Authority was passed to the Eminent Grand Generalissimo (EGG) Amondus Brown who received all Elected and Appointed officers. EGG Amondus Brown 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 (REGC) Frank Fields.

08:50 A.M. The REGC Frank Fields was received and Grand Honors were given. EGG Amondus Brown passed the Sword of Authority to REGC Frank Fields. REGC Frank Fields received Past Right Eminent Grand Commander (HPGC) Willie B. Ford and Honorary Past Right Eminent Grand Commander (HPGC) Shawn G. Willis.

2. Proclamation:

09:02 REGC Frank Fields ordered the Proclamation read by the Eminent Grand Recorder (EGR) David Lee Sr. It was motioned by District Deputy Grand Thrice Illustrious Master (DDGTIM) Stateside PEC Barry L. Ricketts #40 and seconded by District Deputy Grand Eminent Commander (DDGEC) Stateside PEC Acosta Jenkins #40

3. Roll Call of Officers:

09:04 REGC Frank Fields ordered the roll call of Grand Commandery Officers Elected and Appointed by EGR David S Lee Sr.

Right Eminent Grand Commander.....	Frank Fields (P)
Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander	Vacant
Eminent Grand Generalissimo.....	Amondus Brown (P)
Eminent Grand Captain General.....	Jay Stewart (P)
Eminent Grand Prelate	Rev. Larry Payne (E)
Eminent Grand Treasurer	Barry L. Ricketts (P)
Eminent Grand Recorder.....	David S. Lee Sr. (P)
Eminent Grand Financial Recorder	Augustus Fields (P)
Eminent Grand CCFC	Reginald Thomas (P)
Eminent Grand Royal Advisor	Christopher Green (P)
Eminent Grand Senior Warden.....	Jimmy Zewalt (P)
Eminent Grand Junior Warden	William S. Hardin(P)
Eminent Grand Standard Bearer	Jay Stewart (P)
Eminent Grand Sword Bearer	Reginald Thomas (P)
Eminent Grand Captain of the Guard	Michael Knight (E)
Eminent Grand Warder	Vincent Metcalf (E)
Eminent Grand Sentinel	William Hendricks(E)
Eminent Grand Assistant Recorder	Kyran L. Ruffin (P)
Eminent Grand Assistant Recorder/ Web	Vacant

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

4. Roll Call of District Deputies:

DDGEC Western Europe	James E. Parker (P)
DDGEC Stateside.....	Acosta B. Jenkins (P)
DDGEC Alaska.....	A.O. Mustapha-Thomas (E)
DDGEC South Korea	George Scott (E)
DDGEC Afghanistan	Michael A. Taylor (P)
DDGEC Middle East.....	Eric Millen (E)
DDGEC Japan	Joseph Atienza (E)
DDGTIM Stateside.....	Barry L. Ricketts (P)
SDDEGC at Large	DR. Leroy T. Smith III (P)

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

5. Roll Call of Commandery's and Council's:

R. Emmett Stewart #3 Prince Myers #16	P	Willie B. Ford # 21 Reginald Murphy # 21	C
Midwest # 4 Sandy Smiley #14	P	Arabian Knights # 22 Rawle S. Somersall # 18	P
Deary Vaughn #13 James Neals #29	P	Amondus Brown # 23 Tyrone Leacock # 19	P
D. J. Wimberly #17 Jarrad Harris #15	P	Edward E. Miller # 24 Alfred Bowles#20	A
George W. Chambers #40 Cornelius R. Carter #9	P	Ronnie L. Scott #26 Anthony E. Bowens #24	P
Tobe Davis #1 King David #6	P	Archibald Whaley #28 Kenneth H. Kendrick #27	P
John D. Henry #2 King of Judah #1	P	Herman L. Smith #29 David Williams #31	A
E. P. Jones # 5 Shawn G. Willis #30	A	Frank Fields #30 Anthony Bowens #32	C
Alpha & Omega #7 Fredrick Douglas #4	P	Robert E. Jones #31 Charles Perkins #38	P
P. W. Hamilton #14 Joseph T. Thornton #11	P	Hughes De Payens #32 Robert E. Jones #39	C
P.W. Hamilton # 14 Joseph T. Thornton #11	p	Reginald K. Buggs #41 Benjamin Hooks #34	P
Levy A. Wallace # 15 Ronald W. Davie #26	P	Knights of Persia #42 Adoniram #35	P
Clifton B. Riley #18 Michael A. Johnson #12	P	King Cyprus #43 Pul-E-Alam #37	P
James A. Mingo #19 Mark Coombs #28	P	Frank U. Davis #44 Charles Jones #36	p

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

6. Grand Conclave Opening:

09:10 REGC Frank Fields stated that a Quorum was present, and asked the EGAR Kyran Ruffin to offer prayer for the opening of the meeting. REGC Frank Fields declared the Thirty-first Grand Conclave opened

7. Welcome

09:11 A Welcome was given by District 11 PEC Kevin Matsuki and response given by Midwest Commandery #4 Eminent Commander (EC) Eric Brown

8. Distinguished Visitors

REGC Frank Fields Received the Alaskan Delegation led by the Most Worshipful Grand Master the Honorable Gregory R. Holmes, to include Deputy Grand Master Derrick Flowers and Past Grand Master Timothy A. Mullins. Greetings was given by Grand Master Gregory R. Holmes

09:14 The REGC Frank Fields called the Grand Conclave from labor to refreshments for the purpose of conducting an Honorable Memorial Service in honor of the Late HPMEGM/REGC Anthony E. Bowens. The Grand Conclave was called back from refreshments to Labor 9:27

9. Reading of the minutes:

09:36 REGC Frank Fields asked for the minutes for the 2018 Conclave be read. The minutes were read by EGR David Lee Sr. Moved by DDGEC Acosta Jenkins #40, Seconded by DDGTIM Barry L. Ricketts #40 and PTIM Ziegler #15. **Motion Carried.**

9. Sick and Shut

The Sick and Shut-in report was given by the various Sir Knights about the Conclave. It was requested prayer be rendered for the following: EGP Larry Payne, Ashly Moye #18, 12 families killed last night in a mass killing and SK Wingo's Family, Eric Brown Family, Bill Hardin Family Prayer rendered by EGAR Kyran Ruffin #300.

10. Rules of the Day Report:

09:44 Rules of the day report was read by PEC Eric Trahan #7 and committee Motioned by EC Eric Brown #4, Seconded by PDDGEC Tony Brunson #41. **Motion Carried.**

11. Committee Reports:

Report of the Grand CCFC

EGCCFC Reginald Thomas: Negative Report

Charters and Dispensation Report:

EGCCFC Reginald Thomas rendered the Report of Charters & Dispensation. It was motioned by SK Ziegler #17 and seconded by EC Christopher Williams #41. Motion Carried.

Budget Report:

PEC Augustus Fields #4 gave the Purposed Budget Report. It was motioned by PEC Lewis Powell #17 and seconded by EC Rodney Gardner #17. Motion Carried.

10:00 REGC Frank Fields Called the Grand Conclave from labor to refreshments to receive the daughters of the Late REGC Anthony E. Bowens, who presented a statement of Thanks for the support given to the Bowens Family and closing with a poem once given by the Late REGC Anthony E. Bowens. REGC Frank Fields presented the daughters with a love token. At 10:22 the Grand Conclave was called from refreshments to labor.

Financial Report:

10:22 EGFR Augustus Fields listed off the Council and Commandery's CBA Financial Status. Motioned by PTIM Ziegler #17 seconded PEC Lewis Powell #17. Motion Carried.

Grand Holding Commandery #300:

10:27 EGR David S. Lee Sr. read the Suspension List for non-payment of dues for the Grand Holding Council and Commandery. The Suspension date would be 30 June 2019. The Report was motioned by PEC Gilbert Magallanez #300 and seconded by SK Gary Wingo #40. Motion Carried.

Investment Report:

10:34 SDDGEC Dr. Leroy Smith read the CCBA Financial Report. It was motioned by EC Daryll Hurts #42 by and seconded by Carlton Hardman #4. Motion Carried.

Audit Report:

10:41 Eminent Grand Treasurer (EGT) Barry L. Ricketts read the Annual Audit Report performed by FURRH & Associates Certified Public Accountants of Lawton, OK. It was motioned to accept the report, by EC Ramon Moore #7, seconded by PEC Lewis Powell #17. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report:

10:45 EGT Barry L. Ricketts read the Annual Treasurer's Report. It was motioned to accept the report by PEC Gregory Holmes #29, seconded by EGG Brown #300 and SK Gary Wingo #40. Motion Carried.

10:50 REGC Frank Fields Called the Grand Conclave from labor to refreshments for 15 minutes.

While at refreshments the Most Worshipful Grand Master the Honorable Ronald W. Davie presented the Bowens family with a Love Token of Appreciation and presented the "Dr. Deary Vaughn Lifetime Achievement Award" to Georgia Ann Bowens and daughters. Remarks were given by Mrs. Bowens and a gracious thank you to all that attend the home going service and the support to the Bowens Family

11:20 REGC Frank Fields called the Grand Conclave from refreshments to labor, the REGC Frank Fields gave Grand Honors to the MWGM the Honorable Ronald W. Davie. REGC Frank Fields pass the Sword of Authority to the MWGM the Honorable Ronald W. Davie. The MWGM the Honorable Ronald W. Davie gave comments to the Grand Conclave.

The MWGM the Honorable Ronald W. Davie passed the Sword of Authority to the REGC Frank Fields.

12. Grand Commander's Address/Allocution:

11:28 The REGC Frank Fields presented his Annual Allocution, during the Allocution a prayer was given by EGAR Kyran Ruffin. REGC Frank Fields gave a special thanks to all those by name who assisted in the Home Going Service for the Late REGC Anthony E. Bowens. REGC Frank Fields spoke on the hospitality rendered to him and his Wife while conducting the Grand Visitations. REGC Frank Fields spoke on the advancement of the Order of Knights Templar and the education of Oklahoma membership. It was motioned by SK Michael Jordan #15 that the report be accepted with all recommendations and be placed in the archives. It was seconded by EGAR Kyran Ruffin #300. Motion Carried.

13. Elections:

The MWGM the Honorable Ronald W. Davie conducted Elections; he asked the membership how they wanted to hold elections. It was stated by the body to hold the Elections by nomination and standing vote.

There were 75 Sir Knights present and a total of 3 Proxies.

The total voting strength was 78.

The following are the election results:

Right Eminent Grand Commander.....Frank Fields
 Very Eminent Deputy Grand CommanderJay R. Stewart
 Eminent Grand Generalissimo.....Amondus Brown
 Eminent Grand Captain General.....Barry L. Ricketts
 Eminent Grand PrelateKyran Ruffin
 Eminent Grand TreasurerAugustus Fields
 Eminent Grand Recorder..... David S. Lee Sr.

Right Eminent Grand Commander Nominations:

Frank Fields

Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander Nominations:

Sir Knight Barry L. Ricketts.

Sir Knight Jay Stewart.

Sir Knight Roger O. Alfred

No other nominations. Sir Knight Jay Stewart Elected as Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander by majority rules with 43 total votes. All other nominations were unopposed.

The MWGM the Honorable Ronald W. Davie gave his right hand of congratulations to the REGC Elect Frank Fields, the Sword of Authority was pass back to REGC Frank Fields.

REGC Frank Fields passed out tokes to the members of the Grand Conclave. The REGC Frank Fields turned over the Sword to the EGG Amondus Brown, to continue the Grand Conclave while leaving with the MWGM the Honorable Ronald W. Davie to go hold elections for the Grand Guild Session.

Committee Reports Continued...

The following Committees rendered a negative report:

Resolutions, Ways and Means, Constitution and By Laws and Jurisprudence. It was motion by PEC Augustus Fields #4 and seconded by AEGR Kyran Ruffin #300 that the negative reports be accepted as a matter of record.

Equipment Audit

The Equipment Audit Report was given by EGR David Lee Sr. It was motioned by DDGEC Acosta Jenkins and seconded by AEGR Kyran Ruffin #300. Motion Carried.

Appeals and Grievances

DDGEC James Parker EGCG Barry L. Ricketts read the report on Grievances and Appeals. Misappropriation of funds (see report) by SK Alexander Sumlin of Commandery #. It was motioned by EGT Barry L. Ricketts #4 and seconded EGCG Jay R. Stewart to suspend SK Alexander Sumlin indefinitely. Motion Carried.

Charity Report:

SK Gary Wingo requested that a \$200 donation be made to the State KOP; Travis D. Roberts II of James Neal Council #29 also requested to give a \$500.00 donation to Jefferson Elementary School in Ardmore, Oklahoma. motioned by TIM Arthur Hawkins#40 seconded by PTIM Ziegler #17 Motion Carried.

Stewardship Report:

Report given by VEDGC Jay Stewart

Grand Commanders Address Report:

DDEGC Mike Taylor read the Grand Commanders Address Report. It was moved by SK Ziegler #17 and Seconded by VEDGC Jay R. Stewart. Motion Carried.

Education Committee Report:

The Report was rendered by SDDGEC at Large Dr. Leroy T. Smith III. He stressed the fact of there was only one authorized ritual in the Jurisdiction of Oklahoma – Revised Knights Templarism. Motioned by Rodney Gardner #17 EGSW Jimmy Zewalt #17.

Grand Encampment Report:

A report was given by HMEGM of the US Grand Encampment Shawn Willis. US Grand Encampment will meet 26 June 2019 in Dallas Texas. Spoke on Knights Templarism Award, Commander of the Temple, also spoke the Scholarship from the US GEKT.

12:45 REGC Fields reentered the asylum and EGG Amondus Brown passed the sword of Authority to REGC Frank Fields.

REGC Frank Fields presented the MWGM the Honorable Gregory Holmes with the Honorary Past Right Eminent Grand Commander Certificate. Remarks Given by the MWGM the Honorable Gregory Holmes and during his remarks presented the REGC Frank Fields with the Honorary Past Grand Master Certificate.

Past EC/TIM Degree Report:

EGR David S. Lee Sr. reported the names of all Companions and Sir Knights who were eligible to receive the PTIM & PEC Degrees. These members are: PTIM Ernest Swindle II, PTIM Terris Conyers, PTIM Michael Jordan, PTIM Arthur Hawkins, PTIM Jimmy Zewalt, PTIM Donnie Knowlin, PTIM Kevin Matsuki, PTIM Dr. Ashley Moye, PEC Spencer Bryant Jr., PEC Garnett Silas, PEC Robert Jackson, PEC Leonardo C. Hooks, PEC Michael R. Knight, PTIM Robert Jackson, PTIM Tyrone Muhammad.

14. Closing Comments:

Closing comments were given by: HPGC Shawn Willis gave congratulations to the REGC Frank Fields and Honorary REGC/MWGM Gregory Holmes. MWGM of Alaska, Gregory Holmes, gave remarks for Alaska and its Jurisdiction. Remarks were given recognizing the most recent Inductees of the KYCH by newly elected Eminent Prior Knight Tony J. Brunson. HPGC Willie B. Ford gave comment on the importance of meeting suspense dates. The REGC announced that the Staff Meeting would be in RM 316 at 5pm and hospitality following at 10pm. With no other business to come before the body, The REGC call for a Closing Prayer to be rendered by EGP Kyran Ruffin # 300.

15. Closing: REGC Frank Fields closed the Grand Conclave promptly at 13:43

Peace and Harmony prevailed Under the Cut of Steel

Attest:

Original Signed

**David S. Lee Sr.
Eminent Grand Recorder
Eminent Grand Commander**

**Frank Fields, 33° KYCH
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