

An organizational meeting to discuss formation of a York Rite College in Delaware was held in the home of Deputy Grand Governor C. Ray Scarborough, Dover, Delaware, on Tuesday evening, July 8, 1975, at 7:30 P.M. with the following Companion Knights present:

C. Ray Scarborough
Charles W. Barkins
Samuel A. Wise
Henry G. Law

all members of Pennsylvania York Rite College, No. 11.

Sections of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Sovereign College of North America pertaining to new colleges were read and the requirements for obtaining a dispensation were discussed.

By mutual agreement, the proposed college would be named "FIRST STATE YORK RITE COLLEGE, NO. ___", to be situated in Dover, Delaware, for dispensation purposes but to travel throughout the state for meetings.

The following were proposed as the first officers:

York Rite Governor	- Henry G. Law
York Rite Deputy Governor	- Samuel A. Wise
York Rite Chancellor	- Charles W. Barkins
York Rite Secretary-Treasurer	- C. Ray Scarborough

It was further agreed that Samuel B. Rash, Jr., presently a non-member, would, upon induction, fill the office of York Rite Primate.

The Fee for Dispensation being \$100.00, it was agreed by all present that each would advance \$28.00, to cover the fee and other expenses. This amount would be credited toward dues for these individuals until depleted. In case of death, any remaining credit would be paid to that individual's estate.

A discussion concerning initiation fees and yearly dues then followed. It was tentatively agreed that the dues should be the same as Penna. York Rite College, No. 11, vis: \$7.00 annually, assuming the Sovereign College assessment remains at the previous level, which was not known, however. It was first agreed that initiation fees should be \$35.00, the same as Penna. No. 11. However, a question was raised as to what amount is assessed by the Sovereign College. It was felt that if that amount were \$25.00, then our fee should be \$40.00. C. Ray

Sacrborough agreed to contact the Secretary-General's office to clarify these points.

It was agreed that Stated Meetings would be two per year, in the Spring and Fall with Elections, etc. to be held in the Spring. Other meetings to be held at the discretion of the Governor.

Potential College members were discussed and it was felt that attainment of a membership of twenty-five was feasible. C. Ray Scarborough agreed to check with the Secretary-General to determine whether persons residing outside the State would be eligible for membership. This was proposed with regard to those Pennsylvania members of Gunning Bedford Council, No. 1, R.&S.M. of Wilmington, who might be interested in our College.

It was decided that By-Laws would be drafted but were not necessary for the Dispensation request. There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9:55 P.M.

Attest:

C. Ray Scarborough
Acting Secretary

Addendum:

On July 9, 1975, it was determined that the Sovereign College assessment on new members was \$15.00, but that the per capita had increased from \$3.50 to \$5.00. Also that there were no jurisdictional boundaries.