

**FIRST STATE YORK RITE COLLEGE No. 45**

November 14, 2015

Masonic Temple, New Castle Delaware

A regular meeting of First State York Rite College No. 45 was opened in form at 2:30 p.m. with the following officers present:

Governor	Jon Cottrell
Deputy Governor	Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr., PG-pt
Chancellor	David H. Laucius, PG-pt
Treasurer	David H. Laucius, PG
Secretary	Mark E. Irwin, PG
Primate	William Stephey, Jr.-pt
Preceptor	Lionel Hunter
Seneschal	James Horn-pt
Marshal	Fred Palmer
Sentinel	Arthur A. Loveless, Jr., PG-PT

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given.

Michael Downey was received and obligated as a Knight of York and was communicated the signs and passwords.

Members present as per register. The Governor welcomed all present.

The minutes of the previous meeting of May 2, 2015 were read and approved as read. The Secretary reported \$1,044.21 in the checking account and \$2,948.29 in the Life Member Savings Account for total assets of \$3,990.50.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that the Treasurer be permitted to pay any bills that may arise between now and the next meeting.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to donate \$50 to the Grand York Rite Sessions to be used for refreshments.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to provide coffee and donuts for the Semi-Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to donate \$50 to New Castle Masonic Hall Company.

It was reported that Sir Knight James R. Herrington of the Audit committee had examined the Secretary-Treasurers books and found them in order.

Governor Cottrell called the Knights up for a moment of prayer offered by PG James R. Herrington on behalf of the departed Knights Past Governor Harold T. J. Littleton, Maynard Mires, Richard Weaver and Gilbert Greenfield.

Governor Cottrell recognized the following Past Governors: Irwin, Atkinson, Loveless, Herrington, Laucius and Edwards

It was regularly moved, seconded and passed that the College meet on May 7, 2016 at Dover, Delaware at 2:00 pm or as soon as Delaware Council #18 completes its meeting.

There were the following nominations for new members: Michael Ratcliff by Jon Cottrell and John Merkley by James B. Walsh.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to give the proposed members the benefit of a test ballot. The ballot being found fair, the nominees were declared elected and will be sent an invitation.

There were the following nominations for Gold Honor Awards: Stephane Sabourin by Herbert J. Atkinson, Bill Held by Fred Palmer and Connard Estep by Jon Cottrell.

PG James R. Herrington reported that Jared Card was presented with a Gold Honor Award

Governor Cottrell recognized R.E.D. Grand Governor Herbert J. Atkinson, who extended the greetings of the Governor General, David Walker.

The following distinguished members were recognized:

M.I. Lionel Hunter, M.I. Grand Master of Cryptic Masons in Delaware

R.E. Neal J. Sonocinski, Grand Commander Knights Templar in Delaware

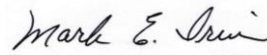
Frater Mark E. Irwin, Chief Adept, Delaware College, M.S.R.I.C.F.

Em. James G. Horn, Prior, Jesse Green Priory #70, K.Y.C.H.

K.C. James R. Herrington, Puissant Sovereign, Delaware Conclave, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine

There being no further business, the College was closed in form at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mark E. Irwin, PG  
Secretary