

TEXAS YORK RITE ESOTERIC ASSOCIATION



MINUTES

ANNUAL MEETING OF

OCTOBER 18, 2014

At George's Restaurant
Waco, Texas

In attendance were 11 companions.

Breakfast was served at a Stated Annual Meeting of the Texas York Rite Esoteric Association, on Saturday, October 18, 2014 at 7:00 am.

The meeting was opened by President **Tom Winger**.

Prayer was offered by Chaplain **Clarence Joy Laney** (Past President)

The pledges to the US and Texas flags were led by **Tom Winger** (President).

James Kirkpatrick read the minutes of the 2013 meeting, and it was approved.

James Kirkpatrick reported for Treasurer **B. J. Young** that we received a cashier's check for 526.55 from our previous Secretary/Treasurer. We received 2 checks for dues last year for \$20 that has not been cashed yet. Both companions are aware of this. We received \$130 cash for dues, total \$150.

M.: E.: Reese L. Harrison, Jr reminded us that the 2 checks are no longer valid.

Jackie Matthews moved and **Clarence Laney** seconded, that this treasurer's report be included in the minutes. Motion passed. Report is duly included in these minutes.

Jackie Matthews moved that we designate a bank or a credit union for our funds.

Discussion ensued, and the decision was to have the Secretary and Treasurer research opening an account at a financial institution that would not charge us outrageous monthly fees. The institution could be a credit union. That motion passed.

Jackie Matthews moved to designate that the Treasurer, Secretary and President be on the signature list. Discussion ensued and the motion was amended to "Treasurer, Secretary" and "One other Companion". **Irvin "Buddy" Wisner** seconded the motion. It passed.

The association approved that **Jackie Matthews** have permission from the association to proceed to obtain bank records from Chase for accounts/statements. To give all statements from 2003 to the present. The old account was at Bank One which changed to Chase. Our last statements we have were from January 16, 2003 and July 2003. The July 2003 statement was down to \$200. 3 Lapel pins were returned.

Thus, **Jackie Matthews** moved, and **M.: I.: Tom Turner** seconded, that the previous secretary/treasurer turn over statements and roster.

M.: E.: Reese L. Harrison, Jr noted that this association has permission to meet as an association for the York Rite, similar to the Tarrant County York Rite Association. To date, no other York Rite Association exists in Texas.

Elections were then conducted for 2015 officers.
President **Tom Winger** presided over the election.

He stated that a Teller's Committee is **Irvin "Buddy" Wiser** and **Bob Black** should it become necessary.

President **Tom Winger** nominated **Jackie Matthews** for President. No other nominations, he was elected by acclamation.

Jackie Matthews nominated **Irvin "Buddy" Wiser** for Vice President. No other nominations, he was elected by acclamation.

Jackie Matthews nominated **James Kirkpatrick** for Secretary. No other nominations, he was elected by acclamation.

Irvin "Buddy" Wiser nominated **B. J. Young** for Treasurer. No other nominations, he was elected by acclamation.

The TYREA previously authorized the publication of these minutes and future minutes, on the website.

The installation of officers were conducted in due and ample form by Most Excellent **Reese L. Harrison, Jr.**

James Kirkpatrick moved that we permit associate members to join. The motion was seconded by **Jackie Matthews** and unanimously approved.

Then, **E. E. "Buster" Williams** became the first associate member, donating \$20.

Tom Winger gave a nice speech on his year as President.

Jackie Matthews thanked everyone. He also announced the meeting will be **Saturday, October 17, 2015** at noon. The Saturday prior to Grand Chapter/Grand Council.

The location to be determined.

Clarence Joy Laney offered a wonderful closing prayer.

The meeting was duly closed, in peace and harmony at 8:30 AM.

We adjourned and returned for duty in the Grand Chapter / Grand Council School of Instruction held at Grand Lodge.

Donations for 2015 are attached:

\$10 ---

C. J. Laney, Irvin "Buddy" Wiser, Robert Cagley, Floyd Hall, Robert Kirk, Bob Black, Bill Sherman, James Kirkpatrick, Jackie Matthews, (all 5 members of the Texas York Rite Committee on Work), Tom Winger, Tom Turner, Tom Snedecor, and E. E. Buster Williams (Associate member – 20\$ donation).

Signed,

James Kirkpatrick
Secretary