



Provincial Grand lodge of Valencia

24th Annual Assembly



Held at the Hotel Gran Bali Benidorm
23rd February 2019

MINUTES

The Provincial Director of Ceremonies W. Bro. G Simons formed an escort party to receive, Grand Lodge Representatives, Distinguished Visitors and Brethren into the Lodge at 11.30am.

The Provincial Grand Master R.W. Bro Michael Anthony Shilan accompanied by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master V.W. Bro Rodney Charles Bignell, the Assistant Provincial Grand Masters R.W. Bro. Eladio Gonzalez Jover and W. Bro. Roy Alan Mitchell, were escorted into the lodge in due form.

The opening hymn was song by the Brethren present.

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master requested all Entered Apprentices and Fellow Craft to retire from the temple for a short while.

The Provincial Grand Lodge was opened in due form and solemn prayer by the Provincial Grand Master R.W. Bro. Michael Anthony Shilan.

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master then resumed the Lodge into the first degree.

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master requested all Entered Apprentices and Fellow Craft to be re-admitted.

Salutations with seven were given to the Provincial Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Michael Anthony Shilan, who suitably replied.

The Assistant Grand Master of Spain R.W. Brother Barrie Roy Mansell was admitted into the lodge in due and solemn form.

Salutations with nine were given to the Assistant Grand Master of Spain, R.W. Brother Barrie Roy Mansell, who suitably replied.

The Grand Master of Spain, M.W. Bro Oscar De Alfonso Ortega, was escorted into the Lodge in due and solemn form.

Salutations with eleven were given to the Grand Master of Spain, M.W. Brother Oscar De Alfonso Ortega, who suitably replied.

The R. W. Provincial Grand Master (PGM) then welcomed the visitors and distinguished guests.

The PGM asked the Secretary, to read out the roll call for all the lodges in the Province. All the lodges were present, and all suitably replied.

The PGM asked the Secretary to read a roll call of all active Provincial Officers, the Secretary informed the PGM that all Provincial officers were present with the exception of seven, who had all given their apologies.

The Provincial Grand Chaplain read out the names of all the Brethren who had passed to the Grand Lodge above, those worthy Brethren were honoured: - *See Appendix A.*

The Provincial Secretary W. Bro David Charles Watts, informed the PGM that the minutes of the provincial annual meeting held on Saturday 24th February 2018, are included in the Provincial Reports and have also been posted on the Provincial Web Site for the past ten months. V.W. Bro. R Hales proposed and W. Bro T Porter seconded the acceptance of those minutes. The minutes were then approved and signed by the Provincial Grand Master.

There were no matters arising from those minutes.

The Provincial Grand Secretary informed the assembly that his annual report has been posted on the Provincial Web-Site and is also to be found in the Provincial Report Booklet.

The Provincial Grand Treasurer, W. Bro. Fredrick Miller, also stated that the Treasures report is on the Provincial Web-Site and is also included in the Provincial Report Booklet.

W. Bro. W. Russell and W. Bro. D E Wait, the Auditors for the year, both confirmed that they had examined the 2018 accounts, found them to be an accurate record and had signed them as such. They recommended that the accounts be accepted. The Senior Warden proposed, and the Junior Warden seconded, a motion that the accounts for the year 2018 be adopted. The proposition was carried unanimously. *See Appendix B*

The Provincial Grand Treasurer W. Bro. F Miller presented the Budget for 2019. The Senior Warden proposed, and the Junior Warden seconded, a motion that the budget for the year 2019 be adopted. The proposition was carried unanimously.

To appoint, obligate and invest the Deputy Provincial Grand Master W. Bro. Terence Porter. The ceremony was carried out by the Provincial Grand Master R.W. Bro. Michael Anthony Shilan.

Salutations with five were given to the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, W. Bro. Terence Porter.

The R. W. Provincial Grand Master presented the Past Deputy Provincial Grand Master, V.W. Bro. Rodney Charles Bignell with a collarette and jewel. And thanked him for his hard work during the previous two years.

To elect a Tyler for the ensuing year. As there was only one candidate for the position of Provincial Grand Tyler, the Senior Warden proposed and the Junior Warden seconded W. Bro. J. McGuire as Tyler for the ensuing year. A vote was taken which proved in favor of W. Bro J. McGuire as Tyler for the ensuing year.

To elect two Auditors for the ensuing year. As there were only two candidates for this position, the Senior Warden proposed and the Junior Warden seconded that W. Bro. W. Russell and W. Bro. D Wait be auditors for the ensuing year, the vote was taken which proved in favour.

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master, appointed and invested the Provincial Grand Officers for the ensuing year: - *See Appendix C.*

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master, appointed and invested the Provincial Grand Stewards for the ensuing year: - *See Appendix D.*

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master, appointed and invested the Past Provincial Officers for the ensuing year: - *See Appendix E.*

The current Worshipful Masters of Lodges were presented to the R.W. Provincial Grand Master.

The Initiates for the year, that were present, were presented to the R.W. Provincial Grand Master.

To nominate members to the various Provincial Committees. The Provincial Secretary read out the names of the members of the committees: - *See Appendix F.*

The Provincial Grand Master, then presented certificates for long and distinguished service to Freemasonry: - W. Bro. Clifford Gingell Las Salinas Lodge No 78 – 40 years' service, W. Bro. Graham Scutt of Oliva La Safor No 112 for 40 years service, W. Bro. Les Beech of San Jorge Lodge No 165 for 45 years' service, W. Bro. Neville Jarrett of San Juan de España Lodge No 28 for 50 years' service, R.W. Bro. Ray Horn of Puerto de Xabia Lodge no 58 for 50 years' service, and W. Bro. Derek Moseley for 55 years' service. *See Appendix G*

The R. W. Provincial Grand Master then gave his address to the Assembly: *See Appendix H.*

The “Mason of the Year” award was then presented to W, Bro Frederick Miller.

The Alms, in the sum of €411 were then collected in the cause of charity.

The M.W. Grand Master of Spain accompanied by the R.W. Assistant Grand Master of Spain, then retired from the Provincial Assembly in due and solemn form.

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master requested all Entered Apprentices and Fellow Craft to retire from the temple.

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master then closed the Provincial Lodge in due form and solemn prayer at 13.30hrs

The Provincial Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Michael Anthony Shilan accompanied by other Grand Lodge Officers and Distinguished Brethren retired from the Provincial Grand Lodge.

Secretary W. Bro. I.M. Beckett.

Provincial Grand Master_____ Date_____