



Cumberland District Masonic Association Meeting Minutes

Feb. 25, 2016

Amherst

Alexandra Lodge #87

Meeting opened at 7:30pm with RW Bro. Alan Linkletter as Chairman. 22 brother masons from the Cumberland District were in attendance for the meeting.

NAME	LODGE
RW Bro. Wilson Smith	Acacia #8
W Bro. Jim Murray	Acacia #8
RW Bro. Rob Campbell	Acacia #8
Bro. Donald MacKinnon	Acacia #8
RW Bro. George Anderson	Pugwash
RW Bro. Bill Merriam	Widow's Son #48
Bro. Kevin Hustin	Widow's Son #48
RW Bro. Robert Yorke	Minas #67
Bro. Amos Margeson	Laurie #70
RW Bro. Archie St Peter	Laurie #70
W Bro. Justin Simons	Laurie #70
Bro. George Sproul	Laurie #70

NAME	LODGE
RW Bro. Phil Adams	Wimburn #75
VW Bro. Scott McNairn	King Edward #86
RW Bro. Alan Linkletter	King Edward #86
Bro. Jim Sicheri	King Edward #86
Bro. Willard Hudson	Alexandra #87
W Bro. Larry Ross	Alexandra #87
RW Bro. Jack Boyd	Alexandra #87
VW Bro. Michael Gaul	Alexandra #87
Bro. Alfie Fisher	Alexandra #87
MW Bro. Barry Imber	Alexandra #87

MINUTES

A motion to approve the last published minutes for Dec. 5 , 2015 was moved by RW Bro. Bill Merriam and 2nd by RW Bro. Archie St Peter. Motion carried.

AGENDA

Motion to allow us to deviate from the published Agenda as necessary was moved by RW Bro. Phil Adams and 2nd by RW Bro. George Anderson. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION

At this point the chairman asked Bro. Kevin Hustin, of Widow's Son Lodge #48, to introduce our guest speaker. Bro. Kevin Hustin then introduced Sue Boiduk from the Legacy of Life. She gave us a very informative presentation on the importance of organ and tissue donation.

After the presentation (see the CDMA Blog for more info on the presentation) the meeting resumed. <https://cdma2016.wordpress.com>

SICKNESS AND REGRETS

RW Bro. Yorke reported on two brothers from Minas Lodge #67 who were not able to attend the lodge anymore.

RW Bro. Merriam told the meeting of the recent passing of another brother from Widow's Son Lodge #48, Bro. David Sterling.

RW Bro. Rob Campbell said that Bro. Allison Chapman was now living at Shannex and would love to have visitors.

BUSINESS

FINANCIAL REPORT - RW Bro. Phil Adams reported that we have \$881.38 in our bank account. Letters to lodges to ask for their \$100 will be sent out shortly. This money is needed by April 1, 2016.

The budget for our next year will be brought to the next meeting (May 26, 2016). As we are now 8 lodges in the district instead of 9, we will probably have to up the district dues.

DEGREE DRAMA TEAM

RW Bro. Phil Adams reported that they have done 3 dramas this year. They may also be doing another on the 3rd Monday in March.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

An Audit Committee has to be appointed to go over the books before the May meeting. The following brothers volunteered to be on the committee: Bro. Amos Margeson, RW Bro. Bill Merriam and W Bro. Justin Simons.

TRAVELING GAVEL

In February Alexandra Lodge #87 delivered it to Widow's Son Lodge #48. They are going to now present it to Wimburn Lodge #75 at their next meeting, March 16th.

This will be the last of the traveling for this session. A new schedule has to be now drawn up to keep the gavel traveling.

**WAYS & MEANS - SOCIAL
COMMITTEES**

No reports from the Public Relations and the Social Committees.

BOGP

RW Bro. Jack Boyd said that the board does not meet until Saturday so he had no report. He did say that they would be discussing the info on the job description for the Grand Lodge Secretary and if the position is as an employee or just an honorarium. Also they are discussing the reconfiguration of the BOGP.

2015 - 2016 CHARITY

The Chairman said that as regards our charities it was decided at the last meeting to keep them the same as last year.

DDGM'S MESSAGE

The DDGM, RW Bro. Robert Yorke, brought greetings from the GM. He thanked all who had attended the Annual Meeting in December. **The Annual Church Service will be on May 15th at the Port Greville United Church.**

NEXT MEETING & CLOSING

The chairman, RW Bro. Alan Linkletter, said that at the next meeting we will be electing our chairman for a two year term.

The next meeting will be:

May 26, 2016 at King Edward Lodge #86 at 7:30pm.

The closing of the meeting was moved by W Bro. Jim Murray and 2nd by RW Bro. Rob Campbell. The short meeting closed around 9pm.