

RESOLUTION NO. 1

TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF OKLAHOMA:

WHEREAS: December is one of the busiest months in Masonry, and

WHEREAS: Our members are all Master Masons, many of whom belong to more than one Lodge, and

WHEREAS: Many of our members are also members of one or more appendant bodies, and

WHEREAS: The scheduling of these various bodies' elections and installations leaves very little time for our members to hold elections and installations of their local Chapters, and

WHEREAS: Tulsa Chapter 52, Bartlesville Chapter 55, Texhoma Chapter 28, Indian Chapter 1, Stillwater Chapter 14, and Lawton Chapter 44 all meet on the third or fourth week of the month of December, thus causing the above-mentioned Chapters to potentially apply for and purchase a Dispensation to hold their Election of Officers out-of-time.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

ARTICLE 10, Chartered Chapters

Section 1. Elections, Chapter Officers, and Members.

The officers of a Chapter shall be the High Priest, King, Scribe, Treasurer, Secretary, and Captain of the Host who shall be elected at the first Stated Convocation in December of each year.

BE AMENDED TO READ:

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This change would make it much easier for our local Chapters to schedule and hold their elections and plan quality installation programs.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark K. McFadden (3)
Jon B. Greene (52)

RESOLUTION NO. 2a

TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF OKLAHOMA:

WHEREAS: modern technology allows for more cost-efficient communication. And

WHEREAS: the cost of printed materials has become substantial at a time of financial exigency for the Grand Chapter and more cost-effective means of distribution exist.

WHEREAS: Article 2, Section 4 subsection i, paragraph 2 requires the printing of materials that can be communicated by other means.

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ARTICLE 2, GRAND OFFICERS DUTIES

Section 4. Grand Secretary: General Duties.

i. Proceedings.

2) The Grand Secretary shall distribute the annual printed proceedings as follows: one copy to the High Priest and one copy to the Secretary of each Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction; two copies to the General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, International and two copies to each Grand Chapter with which this Grand Chapter is in fraternal correspondence; one copy to each officer of this Grand Chapter; one copy to each Past Grand High Priest; one copy to the chairman of each Standing Committee; and one copy to each Masonic Library and Masonic periodical and to any person who, in the judgment of the Grand Secretary, may be a proper recipient thereof. He shall distribute such other printed matter as may be directed by this Grand Chapter or the Grand High Priest.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2b

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WHEREAS: modern technology allows for information to be had at our fingertips. And

WHEREAS: information in printed materials is often outdated. And

WHEREAS: the Grand Secretaries contact information is readily available on their Grand Jurisdictions website.

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