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MINUTES
MASONIC LIBRARY AND MUSEUM ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING
Saturday OCTOBER 4, 2022
10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Eastern

Attendance List after the Minutes
(REVISED DEC 12)

10:00: Call to Order – President Vanice

MINUTES OF 2021 MLMA ANNUAL MEETING

Motion to accept by Tyler Vanice, Seconded by Dirk Hughes
Passed unanimously

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Tyler Vanice

The year has gone by quickly!

Over the year, we had made some changes. The first change you might have noticed is our communication. I feel that as a member, one would expect more communication from an organization. I feel that I have improved that. In addition, as a member, you received a membership certificate. As a professional organization, I wanted to make sure we had a beautiful certificate that anyone would be proud of displaying.

In another manor of communication with the assistance of Tom Hauder, we created promotional handouts. If you are interested in getting them, please reach out to one of the officers. We had these flyers and a table stand displayed at Masonic Week in Arlington, Virginia.

We are also in the process of getting bids for building a new website. As a professional organization, we need a professional website.

We are looking into the process of the feasibility of holding the Quarry Project III next year in September. A survey that will be forthcoming that will ask the population what they would like to have at such a conference. Attendance is always a concern, and with a lack of attendance means less funding for the program. I will encourage everyone to share the survey so we can have a grasp on the situation.

I look forward to serving you in my last term as president and if you are interested in getting involved, please reach out to us. We always need to look towards the future.

Thank you,
Tyler Vanice
President, 2021-2023

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Glenn Visscher

Once again, the year has passed and we continue to work in the Quarries creating, documenting and preserving our History.

We welcome all current and new members to the Masonic Library & Museum Association – it is a way to create stronger networks within our community and to assist all who need direction!

Due to the Pandemic, it has been a relatively quiet year as Museums & Libraries struggle to open back up and bring consumers back to us. We would love to hear how you have gotten through the tough times!

We are focusing on better communication going forward – as you'll hear in the President's report – we are working on improved physical documentation as well as social media (Website, Facebook, Twitter, etc.)

Due to lowered attendance, we were unable to hold our yearly meeting in Arizona as originally planned. We will look to hold a meeting during Masonic Week (AMD Weekend, in Crystal City) during the February timeframe. We have received the OK from the organizers of the function to allow us to meet.

It is critical to get your input on what YOU as membership are looking for out of our organization – Do you want professional support? Meetings to discuss? A Network to share finds & ask questions? A time to gather in person and help improve each others Museum / Libraries? Something new and different?

If you know of someone who would enjoy our organization, please don't hesitate to invite them. We benefit from new blood – especially those who can bring us into the new millennia and shed light on our work!

Please don't hesitate to contact me or any of our officers with questions, comments or suggestions!

Thank you,
Glenn Visscher
Vice - President, 2021-2023

TREASURER’S REPORT – Eric Troisdahl – SEE ATTACHED

SECRETARY'S REPORT – Mark Tabbert

Transferred membership information and dues payment into MS Access database

Two mailings: one letter in February and follow-up membership certificates

As of Oct. 1, 2016	2016	2015
Institutional members	89	83
Personal members	52	48
including Past Presidents	8	7
Affiliate members	28	28
Removal (death, request)	-2	0
TOTAL	175	166

As of Oct. 1, 2022	2020	2021	2022
Institutional PAID members	1	2	29
Individual PAID	44	14	66
Plus Past Presidents			4
TOTAL	45	16	99

Motion to accept all Officers' Report - Passed unanimously

OLD BUSINESS

- a. MLMA Table Top Display – in possession of Val Korszniak, Mount Holly, NJ
- b. MLMA brochures and Hand-outs – Need Revision – Tom Hauder will review
- c. Committees

NEW BUSINESS

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Pres. Vanice made motion to Raise Annual Dues in 2023:

Individual from \$20 to 30, and Institutional from \$30 to \$50

Craig Applebaum, second

Discussion: Will mail and email dues invoices including notification of new rate in January 2023

Motion passes unanimously

QUARRY PROJECT III

The Masonic Society no longer interested in sponsoring an in-person 2-3 day event.

But willing to partner on a “hybrid event” with most lectures / talks via live streaming

Tom Hauder: Midwest Conference of Masonic Education successful live-streaming

If hybrid – set up special online payment for each talk, versus in-person

Perhaps a one-day event at GWMNMA as part of MLMA annual meeting

Tim Winkle: offer to do Smithsonian Tours or the like

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Sister Mae Ealey – finishing her OES book, now living in Connecticut

Tyler – working on book containing information on Masonic Lodge of Research, Masonic Research Societies, Libraries and Museums. He will send survey to members

Patrick Corcoran: Creating database of Scottish Rite items in the Valley of Wheeling WV

2023 MLMA ANNUAL MEETING: September 9, Saturday

MEETING CLOSED: 10:47 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

MEMBER
Tyler Vanice, President
Glenn Visscher, VP
Eric Trosdahl, Treasurer
Mark Tabbert, Secretary
Jeffrey Alexander
Timothy Winkle
Victor
Thomas Haurder
Patrick Corcoran
Cathy Giaimo
Dirk Hughes
Mark Magee
Marshal Kern
Brian Rountree
Rob Moore

Wade Massey
Craig Applebaum
Mae Ealey