

## MINUTES OF THE NINTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PROVINCIAL GRAND SENATUS OF SURREY

## Held at Surbiton Masonic Hall on Wednesday 18th August 2021 at 11.15 a.m.



The visiting Right Distinguished Companions entered the Temple in Procession

The Right Distinguished Provincial Grand Summus entered the Temple in procession accompanied by the Provincial Grand Officers of the Year

- 1. Provincial Grand Senatus was Opened in due Form at 11.15 a.m.
- 2. The Right Dist Provincial Grand Summus was saluted with *SEVEN* under direction of the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies

Other Right Distinguished Companions were saluted with *SEVEN* under the direction of the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies. R Dist Comp Keith B Ferguson, Provincial Grand Summus for South Wales and Monmouthshire responded.

- 3. The Provincial Grand Summus said that it is with deep regret that he has to advise the Companions that since our last meeting three Companions have been called to Higher Service. The Companions stood to order to remember Dist.Comp. Brian Clifford WAREHAM, Past Deputy Grand Summus, of Hill of Zion Preceptory No 52TI; Dist.Comp. Duncan BELL, P.A.G.D.C. of Guildford Consistory No 53TI; and Comp. Michael Christopher FRANGOS, a member of the Provincial Tzadikiim, of Hill of Zion Consistory No 52TI, The Provincial Grand Episcopus gave a short valedictory prayer.
- 4. The Grand Director of Ceremonies, Very Distinguished Companion Phillip Purves, entered and announced that Most Distinguished Companion Ian Stanley Currans, Grand Summus, is without and demanded admission. The Most Distinguished Grand Summus entered with the Grand Director of Ceremonies and was welcomed by the Right Distinguished Provincial Grand Summus.

The Most Distinguished Grand Summus was saluted with *ELEVEN* under direction of his Grand Director of Ceremonies.

5. The Most Distinguished Grand Summus had much pleasure in investing the Provincial Grand Summus with his Chain of Office and Install him in the Chair. He said that 13 months ago, on the 13<sup>th</sup> July 2020, we had such a marvellous Virtual Business Meeting with over 170 attending from all over the world. He invested our Provincial Grand Summus in a formal way albeit on Zoom. The Patent was read and the Provincial Grand Summus was installed, but he could not invest him with his Chgain of Office and put him in the Chair in charge of the Province.



- 6. The Provincial Grand Summus welcomed honoured guests of the Province and other Distinguished Companions.
- 7. To confirm the Minutes of last year's meeting of the Virtual Business Meeting of Provincial Grand Senatus held on 16<sup>h</sup> July 2020.
  - a. The Minutes were proposed for adoption by Dist Comp Nigel Thomson, Deputy Provincial Grand Summus, and seconded by V.Dist Comp Jack Love, Past Assistant Provincial Grand Summus.

The Proposition was duly approved.

8. To Call the Roll of Provincial Grand Officers.

The Provincial Grand Recorder reported that with the exception of six officers who have all given good reason for their absence all Active Provincial Officers were present.

9. To Call the Roll of Consistories in the Province

The Provincial Grand Recorder called the Roll of Consistories as follows, and the members of each Consistory rose and indicated their presence with a court bow to the East: -

Surrey Consistory No 4 T.I.

Hill of Zion Consistory No 52 T.I.

Guildford Consistory No 53 T.I.

Warlingham Consistory No 134

Upon completion of the Roll Call, the Provincial Grand Recorder announced that all Consistories were in attendance and well represented

10. To Welcome those Companions admitted to the Order since the last Annual Meeting

The Provincial Grand Recorder mentioned that there were five newly admitted Companions, and three of them was able to be present today: -

Comp Alan Boniface, Surrey Consistory No 4 TI Comp. Jeffrey Flint, Surrey Consistory No 4 TI Comp Dejean McEwan, Hill of Zion Consistory No 52 TI

They were presented to the R Dist Provincial Grand Summus who warmly welcomed them into the Order and the Province.

11. To Receive the Report of Provincial Grand Recorder



The Provincial Grand Recorder stated that his Report was distributed prior to the meeting and can be found on the Provincial website. The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus thanked the Provincial Recorder for his Report and his work during the year.

12. To Receive the Audited Accounts for the year to 31st December 2020

The Provincial Grand Treasurer stated that the Audited Balance Sheet and Accounts were distributed prior to the meeting and can be found on the Provincial website and he has nothing further to add.

The Provincial Grand Summus asked if there were any questions regarding the accounts. As there were no questions, the R Dist Provincial Grand Summus called upon V.Dist Comp Jack Love, Past Assistant Provincial Grand Summus, who proposed the Accounts for adoption and Dist Comp Chris Eley, Provincial Grand Recorder, seconded the proposition. The proposition was duly approved and the Accounts were adopted. The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus thanked the Treasurer and Account Auditors for their endeavours.

13. To Elect a Provincial Grand Treasurer

The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus announced that he had received only one nomination for the post of Provincial Grand Treasurer: - Dist.Comp. David M Willmott

He therefore declared Dist.Comp D Willmott elected Provincial Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year.

14. To Elect the Account Auditors for the year

Dist.Comp. Chris Eley, Provincial Grand Recorder, proposed the following two Companions for election as Account Auditors for the year: -

Dist Comp Alan J Brockwell & Comp. Walter Maynard.

Dist.Comp. Ian Parsons, Provincial GDC, seconded the Proposition, which was put to the members and duly carried.

15. To confirm the amount of Provincial Dues for 2021-22

The Provincial Grand Treasurer announced that Provincial Per Capita Dues for 2019-20 will remain at £6.00 per member.

- 16. The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus announced that he was re-appointing Dist.Comp. Nigel Thomson as Deputy Provincial Grand Summus.
- 17. The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus announced that he was re-appointing Dist.Comp. Christopher Hatton as Assistant Provincial Grand Summus.
- 18. To Appoint and Invest the Provincial Grand Officers for the year – the Provincial Grand Recorder read out the dispensation(s) and The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus appointed and invested his Officers, with appointments as shown in the Order of Proceedings.
- 19. To appoint the Captain, Deputy Captain and Members of the Tzaddikim

The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus appointed Comp. Steven Rowlands as Captain of his Tzaddikim and Dist.Comp. Robert Anderson as Deputy Captain.

He then inspected his personal Tzaddikim'

20. To Address Provincial Grand Senatus





The R Dist Provincial Grand Summus delivered his Annual Address to the assembled Companions, a copy of which is on the Provincial web site.

21. To take a Collection for Charity

The Charity Collection amounted to **£60.95.** 

22. The Most Distinguished Grand Summus retired in procession from Provincial Grand Senatus.

23. To Transact Any Other Relevant Business

The Provincial Recorder announced that he had received apologies from: 10 Members of the Province and 21 Provincial Grand Summi, Deputy & Assistant Prov Grand Summi. All the Companions have sent greetings and best wishes for a successful and enjoyable meeting

- 24. To Close Provincial Grand Senatus.
- 25. There being no further business, Provincial Grand Senatus was closed at 1.25pm and the first verse of the National Anthem was sung.

The Right Distinguished Provincial Grand Summus retired in procession accompanied by his Deputy and Assistant Provincial Grand Summi, Right Distinguished Companions and Honoured Guests.

Following a pre-lunch drinks reception 62 Companions later enjoyed an excellent and convivial Festive Board.



Date: 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022.....

Provincial Grand Summus