

**MINUTES OF CALLED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THE MASONIC HOME OF FLORIDA
OCTOBER 14, 2023**

The Members of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Home of Florida met in called session on Saturday, October 14, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. at the Masonic Home of Florida with the following members present:

PRESENT:

R.: W.: R. James Rocha, Chairman
R.: W.: Kevin D. Smithwick, Vice Chairman
R.: W.: Michael S. Griffin, Secretary
R.: W.: Charles A. Dyer
R.: W.: Glen L. Garner
Brother Michael R. Pender, Jr. (online)

ABSENT:

M.: W.: Stanley L. Hudson, P.G.M.
R.: W.: R. Patrick Jacob
R.: W.: Douglas L. Ankeny

ALSO PRESENT: (In person or online): M.: W.: Glen B. Bishop, Grand Master; R.: W.: Donald W. Cowart, Deputy Grand Master; R.: W.: Taleb T. Atala, Senior Grand Warden; R.: W.: Haskell R. Vest, Jr., Junior Grand Warden; R.: W.: Rudin J. Boatright, Grand Treasurer; M.: W.: Richard E. Lynn, P.G.M., Grand Secretary; M.: W.: Robert Lambert, P.G.M.; M.: W.: J. Dick Martinez, P.G.M.; R.: W.: Ben Schwartz, P.D.D.G.M.; R.: W.: J. Paul Stellrecht, P.D.D.G.M., Grand Marshal; R.: W.: Jack W. Hampton, Jr., W.: Grand Historian; R.: W.: Rick Wendling, Grand Sword Bearer; R.: W.: Jorge Filgueira, P.D.D.G.M.; R.: W.: Joseph Fleites, P.D.D.G.M.

CALL TO ORDER: R.: W.: R. James Rocha, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. The Chairman welcomed all assembled.

PURPOSE OF THE CALLED MEETING: To re-present the “Future Pathways for the Masonic Home of Florida” to the Corporate Board, for their consideration and subsequent vote during their November regular meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: R.: W.: James Rocha re-introduced and re-presented a PowerPoint presentation (see attached) as to the options for the future of the Masonic Home gathered by the Board of Trustees. Options include: Divestiture of the property; Refurbishment of the Assisted Living Rooms; Outreach/Outsource; Transition to a foundation based model and/or continue with the status quo. The presentation included a review of the current situation/need for action. Presentation concluded with notifying the Corporate Board that the Board of Trustees voted, unanimously, for Refurbishment of the Assisted Living Rooms and respectfully requested that the Corporate Board approve said option, after due consideration, at their next meeting.

A question and answer period ensued.

NEW BUSINESS: None

R.: W.: R. James Rocha, Chairman, adjourned the meeting at 8:50 AM..

Respectfully submitted,

R.: W.: R. James Rocha
Chairman

R.: W.: Michael S. Griffin
Secretary to the Board of Trustees