

*Minutes of Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Meeting*

A meeting of the Maryland Masonic Research Society was called to order at 1:15 P.M. at the Silver Spring Lodge # 215 by Michael Hughes, President of MMRS.

The minutes of our August 3rd, 2015 Festive Board meeting were approved as distributed in the notice for today's meeting.

Following bills were ordered to pay:

- \$ 1,238.88 – to Sharonlee Vogel, P.P. (\$1,163.88 for a Festive Board Dinner and \$75 for MMRS website hosting)
- \$193.02 – to Michael Hughes (lunch)
- \$20.00 – to Inessa Mischenko (certificates)
- \$35 – to James Dean – return for not-delivered glass
- \$35 – to Robert Lumbert – return for not-delivered glass

Sharonlee Vogel, Treasurer, P.P., presented her Annual Report – see attached.

The collection in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Festive Board collection, lunch collection, donations, and dues) will be deposited by the Treasurer.

Sharonlee Vogel, P.P., proposed \$50 donation to Silver Spring Lodge # 215 – for hosting MMRS. The proposal was approved, the checks will be sent by Treasurer.

There were donations made to MMRS:

- \$25 by John Austin, P.P.
- \$25 by Ed Johnson, P.P.
- \$25 by Inessa Mischenko, P.P.

The petitions were read, discussed and following candidates were approved for the membership (in alphabetical order by the last name:

- Priscilla Gathoni
- Martha Hilton
- Michael Taldo
- Christopher Ray
- Maria Isabele Tejero del Rio

Pierre Gaujard, P.P. thanked all people who came to the meeting, and spoke about the increased diversity of the group today vs. early 2000.

Michael Hughes, President of MMRS, thanked all officers of MMRS for their great job and support.

Election of Officers for 2015 followed. They are:

- Charles Crossett, President
- Joseph Martellotta. First Vice President

- Anne Marie Moody, Second Vice President
- Eric Serejski, Secretary
- Sharonlee Vogel, P.P., Treasurer
- Inessa Mischenko, P.P., Chaplain

The procedure of Installation of the officers was conducted by Pierre Gaujard, P.P., as an Installing Officer, and by Melvin Mason as an Installing Marshall.

Following officers were installed:

- Charles Crossett, President
- Joseph Martellotta. First Vice President
- Eric Serejski, Secretary
- Sharonlee Vogel, P.P., Treasurer
- Inessa Mischenko, P.P., Chaplain

In absence of Anne Marie Moody, Second VP will be installed during the next meeting.

The new President of MMRS, Chuck Crossett presented Michael Hughes with the Past President medal

The presentation by Michael Hues on Freemasonry and Tarot was followed by a questions about connection (or, the lack of) between Tarot and Freemasonry; about Order of Rosicrucian; about use of the different spiritual tools (Tarot being one of such tools), etc.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:48 P.M. with peace and harmony continuing.  
Attendance – 17.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Serejcki,  
Secretary