

Officers Association School Of Instruction Combined Districts #216 & #226 Meeting Minutes – October 18, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Inspector James McKasson PM (#216) at 7:00 pm in the lodge room of the Chico Lodge No. 111 in Chico . Wor. James McKasson turned the meeting over to brother James Gage PM as Acting President to take charge.

Brother James asked Brother Peterman to deliver the invocation. Brother Peterman delivered a fine invocation.

Brother James asked the brethren to stand for the salute to our flag.

Brother James asked the secretary to read the minutes of the last meeting. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved as read. A correction relating to the next OA/SOI date and place was corrected as follows: OA/SOI in Chico October 18, 2011.

Wor. Inspector James McKasson stated that we were going to do things a little different tonight. Wor, Mc Kasson reminded all the brethren that the next stated meeting will hold the election of officers. Wor. James McKasson asked if there were any questions regarding the resolutions from Grand Lodge. Brother Mallette asked to have Wor. McKasson tell us about the resolutions and the question of entered apprentices attending meetings. Wor. McKasson said that had been carried over, there were three resolutions, and one was to allow entered apprentices to attend stated meetings. The second on was to require entered apprentices to pay dues. The third resolution was (by Grand Lodge) that if an entered apprentice did no advance within five years he would be suspended. There was considerable talk that if he is paying dues how he could be suspended, etc. If the first two did not pass then the third one would apply. There was controversy and so it was held over however Wor. McKasson felt that it would pass next year. Wor. McKasson talked with Jennifer Banta and what would probably happen is demitting the EA because we could not suspend them.

A Brother asked about the brother who was trying to get back in to Masonry. Wor. McKasson said that he was a doctor that was arrested for tax evasion and he had made amends but in order to get back in he had to be approved by Grand Lodge and has been trying for the last three or four years to get back in. He had been convicted of a felony so it may never happen.

Wor. McKasson called for reports from the lodges and they were as follows:

Forbestown No. 50

Brother Davis, SD of Forbestown reported that the next stated meeting will be on Saturday November 5, 2011. Election of officers. He said that Forbestown is now on line at <http://forbestownlodge50.weebly.com/index.html> and it is a work in progress as we are continuing upgrading. There is a traveling gavel from Oroville that has been there for a long time.

Oroville No.103

Secretary James Gauge PM reported

We had our fall ball and it was a success and we raised about \$2200 this was the first time we had done this and we look forward to the next one. We have a third degree scheduled for next Tuesday at 7:00 pm at Oroville. We could always use help if anyone would like to participate. We have a 70 year pin to award to a member.

Chico No. 111

Brother Darrell Hunter PM reported

We are having a past masters night third degree next Tuesday. November 1st we have a second degree. November 12th a third degree (that is a Saturday) dinner at 6:00 pm and the degree at 7:00 pm.

Table Mountain No. 124

WM reported

We had a first degree last night with good attendance. Bill Richards is going to be holding an informal school for candidates. Monday the 24th is a Hiram award dinner at 6:00 pm and ceremonies at 7:00 pm. Stated Meeting Monday the 14th with a dinner at 6:00 pm. We have our lodge website up paradisemasons.com

North Butte No. 230

Brother Jim Gill PM reported

We are having our FIZ breakfast Sunday November 13th.

Orland Laurel No. 245

Wor. Inspector McKasson reported

They have their stated meeting on the first Tuesday. They don't do a bulletin and I am not sure what is coming up there.

Wor. Inspector Darrel Deatherage introduced two great and good men who are so dedicated that they deserve all our affections.

The next OASI meeting will be at North Butte 230 7:00pm to 9:00 pm
To tour Don McVicker's Box on November 15, 2011

Ritual Practice

Third degree second section

Meeting closed at 9:00 pm.

Refreshments courtesy of Chico Lodge were enjoyed by the brethren.

Our next meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2011 at North Butte Lodge No. 230 at 7:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted, Marvin Larson, Secretary