

February 20, 2015 Minutes
Meeting of the Otsego-Schoharie & Delaware
Masonic Charities, Inc.

Call to Order at 7:00 PM by President, Richard R. Scheiner. The meeting had been postponed from 29 January 2015 and 18 December 2014 due to bad weather. Other officers and members present: Vice-President, Roy A. Bilby; Treasurer, Alexander D. Brannan (absent); Secretary, Bruce L. Van Buren, Jordan Jaquay, Jerry Wright, Jeff Austin, Fred Hickein, Kenneth Sokolowaski, Ted Shuart, Marcus Mallon, and Joe Phillips.

Opening prayer was offered by Roy Bilby.

President Scheiner led the pledge of alligience and welcomed all present.

The Minutes of our last meeting was read for information.

Discussion of Our Scholarship issues:

- It was moved and seconded to give four \$750 scholarships starting with the 2015 class. It passed.
- Add list of lodges and contact (O-S&D officers, DDGM and Secretaries) names with phone and email to the application. Website info.
- Committee (Ken, Alex, Rick, Jordan) criteria to choose winners
 - Completed application
 - Essay about goals; 300-500 words
 - 3 letters of recommendation; need not be by a Freemason in good standing
 - Signed by Master Mason
 - Secretary's signature and lodge seal
- Scan & email applications to committee
- Committee will have a selection meeting on May 17 at 2:00 pm at Laurens Lodge
- We will have a scholarship recognition dinner at Schenevus Valley on Friday, July 17 at 6:30 pm. Pulled pork.
- **Provide a list of Cobleskill area golf sponsors to Roy Bilby.**

Cobleskill Lodge needs a new roof. They have been doing fund raisers. They would like the corp to help. An amount of \$2500 was suggested. We will consider it at our next meeting when Cobleskill can present an estimate of the work.

MMDT meeting March 12 7:30, Oneonta for the Murder Mystery Dinner: 18 April 2015.

Reading of the Bills

- Alex Brannan: \$36 for beer & wine license
- District Ass'n: \$725 for Golf Tournament

Treasurer's report presented by the President submitted by Alex Brannan. Report is attached.

The next meeting is scheduled for 23 April 2015 in Schenevus 7 pm. 6 pm Social, 7 pm

Pulled Pork Dinner \$10. Rick Scheiner organizing. Bring spouses.

The Meeting was closed with prayer by Rick Scheiner.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce L. Van Buren, Secretary

Bold items are corrections by the absent minded.