

The minutes of the 277th Regular Meeting of the North Harrow Lodge No. 6557 held at Harrow District Masonic Centre on Friday 11th March 2016.

The Officers were as follows:-

W.M.	W.Bro. Michael Breen
I.P.M.	W.Bro. Qadeer Mirza
S.W.	Bro. Rimal Shah
J.W.	Bro. Leonardo Monno
Chaplain	W.Bro. Terry Clayfield
Secretary	W.Bro. Nigel Harris-Cooksley
Treasurer	W.Bro. Andy Watterston
D.C.	W.Bro. David Russell
Almoner	Absent
Charity Steward	W.Bro. Derek Biddle
Mentor	W.Bro. Vaughan Coleridge-Matthews
S.D.	Bro. Simon Thomas
J.D.	Bro. Moses Kiwanuka (A)
Asst Secretary	Absent
A.D.C.	W.Bro. Pratik Karia
Inner Guard	Bro. Mark Romero
Tyler	W.Bro. Mike Porter
Snr Steward	W.Bro. Ken Crisp
Stewards	Bros. Navin Bhatia, Feliciano Romero, John Romero, Mark Romero, Shilen Thakker, Shaun Dias, Srdjan Susic

Members present: W.Bro Saeed Ahmad, Bros. Paolo Russo, Alkesh Shah, .James Flood

Also present: RWBro. Roger Croome, PProPGM (Bard of Avon 778) W.Bro. Mike Baker (UGLE Dir Comms) (Petswood 5435), W.Bro. Patrick Frederick V.O. (Gordon Bourne 9388), W.Bro. Ted Bentley (Marlborough 1399), W.Bro. David Chittleborough (Gradation 6368), W.Bro. Philip Scully (Herongate 4960), W.Bro Colin Wills (Edgar Rutter7196) Bro. Balwinder Heera (Denham 5950), Bro. Irfan Awan (Thames Valley 1460) W.Bro. Peter Gorman (Middx St David's 5460), W.Bro Tony Gorman (Middx St David's 5460), W.Bro. David Olive (Unattached) and W.Bro Mike Porter (Tyler) W.Bro Irving Osbourne (organist)

The Lodge was opened in due form and solemn prayer at 4.35 pm.

The minutes of the 276th Meeting held on Friday 15th January 2016 having been previously circulated with the summons were proposed by Bro. Rimal Shah & Seconded by Bro Leonardo Monno were approved and signed.

The W.M invested had pleasure in investing Bros Srdjan Susic and Shaun Dias as Stewards

Bro. Matthew William Jeffrey answered the questions that lead from the first to the second degree in a confident manner, was entrusted and retired from the Lodge to be prepared for the Ceremony of Passing.

The Lodge was opened in the Second Degree. Bro. Jeffrey was re-admitted into the Lodge and duly passed to the degree of a Fellow Craft by W.Bro Michael Breen, in an outstanding manner.

W.Bro. Saeed Ahmad delivered the charge in the S/E corner and W.Bro. Terry Clayfield gave an explanation of the 2nd degree Working Tools, both in a creditable manner.

The candidate then retired to restore his personal comforts and on his return was escorted to his seat in the Lodge.

The Lodge was resumed in the First Degree.

Bro. Moses Kiwanuka relinquished the office of JD in favour of Bro. Srdjan Susic for the Initiation Ceremony.

The WM had pleasure of vacating the chair of King Solomon in favour of W.Bro. Harris-Cooksley.

Due to the lateness of the Candidate, because of traffic conditions, the Lodge was 'called off' for a short period. The Lodge was 'called on'.

Whilst the Candidate was being prepared by the Tyler, W.Bro Harris-Cooksley had great pleasure in presenting the Grand Lodge Certificate to Bro. Shaun Dias

Mr. Harigoutham Ravindran entered the Lodge and was initiated into Freemasonry by W.Bro Nigel Harris-Cooksley in an excellent manner. The charge in the N/E Corner was confidently delivered by Bro Richard Flood and the 1st Degree working Tools by Bro. Shilen Thakker all in an exemplary manner. Bro Leonardo Monno delivered the Charge after Initiation, all in an outstanding theatrical manner.

Almoner's Report:

W.Bro Derek Biddle reported that W.Bro. David Errington was unable to be present at the meeting due to a previous fall at home. We wished him well. But stated that he had nothing other to report

Charity Steward's Report:

W.Bro Derek gave an update on the Provincial 2020 Festival and would be contacting members explaining the honorifics and options and that the MGFF raffle tickets were now in favour of the 2020 Festival and are available.

Provincial Co-ordinator's Report:

W.Bro Nigel referred the brethren to the Lodge website for all events; other items would be covered in the risings.

The W.M. rose for the First time.

Bro. Secretary stated that all communications from Grand Lodge had been circulated with the Summons and that copies of Quarterly Communications had been circulated to members.

The W.M. rose for the Second time.

Bro Secretary informed the Brethren that all members had been circulated with the Provincial Calendar and other data by email all of which is also available in the "Members' Area" on the Lodge website.

Bro Secretary had received a communication from our APGM, W.Bro Brian Fisher, welcoming Bro Ravindran into Freemasonry and Bro Matthew on being passed to the second degree. W.Bro Patrick Frederick (V.O.) also welcomed Bro Ravindran into North Harrow and had pleasure in presenting him with a copy of the Ancient Charge.

Bro Secretary had pleasure in congratulating both W.Bros Michael Breen and David Russel on their forthcoming Promotions to PPrGSwdB and W.Bro Ken Crisp to PPrGSuptWks in Provincial Grand Lodge in May to the acclaim of all present.

The W.M. rose for the Third time.

Bro. Secretary had pleasure in reading out another 2 Registration Form 'P's

For Re-Joining:

W.Bro David Robert Olive PPrAsstGReg, of 40 Windsor Road, Harrow, Middlesex, HA3 5PX, a Carpenter / Surveyor at The Original Boxsash Window Co. of 29-30 The Arches, Alma Road, Windsor, Berkshire, SL4 1QZ Proposed by W.Bro Michael Breen an Seconded by W.Bro Terry Clayfield

For initiation:

Mr. Aieden Sagayarajah of 73, Rosebank Avenue, Wembley, Middlesex, HA0 2NT, a Law Student at University of Essex, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester, Essex, CO4 3SQ D.o.B 7/03/1995 Proposed by W.Bro Nigel Harris-Cooksley and Seconded by W.Bro Derek Biddle

Apologies were received from the Brethren absent at the meeting, W.Bros Pratik Karia, Tony Moore, David Errington, Vince Haffenden, Bros. Aamir Khan, Howard Cheng, and Kam Chana

Charity collection raised £105.30.

There being nothing further offered for the good of Freemasonry in general or this the North Harrow Lodge No. 6557 in particular, the lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 7.30pm.

W.Bro Nigel Harris-Cooksley (Secretary)

12.03.2016

Signed:- _____ W.M
13th May 2016