

The minutes of the 282nd Installation Meeting of the North Harrow Lodge No. 6557 held at Harrow District Masonic Centre on Friday 13th October 2017.

The Officers were as follows:-

W.M.	W.Bro. Rimal Shah
I.P.M.	W.Bro. Vaughan Coleridge-Matthews (Acting)
S.W.	Bro. Leonardo Monno
J.W.	Bro. Simon Thomas
Chaplain	W.Bro. Terry Clayfield
Secretary	W.Bro. Nigel Harris-Cooksley
Treasurer	Bro. Alkesh Shah
D.C.	W.Bro. David Russell
Almoner	W.Bro. David Errington
Lodge Mentor	W.Bro. Vaughan Coleridge-Matthews
Charity Steward	W.Bro. Derek Biddle
S.D.	Bro. Kam Chana
J.D.	Bro. Moses Kiwanuka
Asst. D.C.	W.Bro. Pratik Karia
Asst. Secretary	W. Bro. Howard Paton Barnes
Inner Guard	Bro. Srdjan Susic
Snr Steward	W.Bro. Ken Crisp
Stewards	Bro. Navin Bhatia, Feliciano Romero, Mark Romero, John Romero, Hari Ravindran
Tyler	W.Bro. Mike Porter
Acting Organist	W.Bro. Nigel Ball

Members present: W.Bros. Tony Moore, Saeed Ahmad Bros. Paolo Russo, Aiedan Sagayarajah, Richard Flood, Harshad Raja, **Also, present:** W.Bro. Ted Bentley (Gradation 6368), W.Bro. David Chittleborough (Gradation 6368)), W.Bro. Philip Scully (Hergate 4960), W. Bro Maurice Ndirika (Wealdstone 5236) Bro Rick Beets (Hundred Elms 5749), W. Bro Peter Miller (Hegeston 5220), Kevin Darling (Basildon 7798)

The Lodge was opened in due form and solemn prayer at 4.40pm.

The minutes of the 281st Regular Meeting held on Friday 10th March 2017 having been previously circulated with the summons were proposed by Bro. Leonardo Monno & Seconded by Bro Richard Flood were approved and signed.

Brother Secretary read the dispensation allowing the election of a Treasurer, following the resignation of W. Bro Watterston on the 30th June 2017 *and subject to Provisions Rule 112(b) BoC*, Bro. Alkesh Shah was duly elected Treasurer of the Lodge

Bro Alkesh then presented the Accounts for 2016/17, previously prepared by W. Bro Watterston which were in excellent order and audited by W. Bro Haffenden. These were proposed by W. Bro David Errington and Seconded by W. Bro Derek Biddle and unanimously passed by the Lodge.

W. Bro Maurice Ndirika was asked to retire from the Lodge whilst a Ballot was taken which proved successful. WBro Ndirika re-entered the Lodge and was presented and welcomed as a Joining Member by the WM, Warden and Brethren and was escorted to his seat in the Lodge.

W. Bro Rimal Shah then asked W. Bro Derek Biddle to occupy the SW chair, W. Bro Howard Paton Barnes the JW chair and W. Bro Saeed Ahmad to act as inner guard for the installation.

The W.M then asked all the officers of his year to line along the north so that he could thank them for their help and assistance during his year of Mastership. He then thanked them individually before they resumed their seats.

The WM asked Bro. Harshad Raja to retire from the Lodge. The Lodge was opened in the Second Degree and Bro Leonardo Monno was presented and took the Obligation of Master Elect.

Bro. Hari Ravindran was asked to retire from the Lodge. The Lodge was opened in the Third Degree. All master Masons retired from the Lodge. A Board of Installed Masters was declared and Bro. Leonardo Monno was duly installed in The Chair of King Solomon according to ancient custom by W. Bro Rimal Shah in a very creditable manner.

The Board of Installed Masters was called off. Refreshments were served in the bar. The Board of Installed Masters was called on and duly closed.

W. Bro Vaughan Coleridge-Matthews assumed the position of Installing Master and all Master Masons were admitted to the lodge and W. Bro Monno was greeted as W. M was Saluted and Greeted in the Third Degree. Bro. Moses Kiwanuka presented the Working Tools of the 3rd Degree in an exemplary manner.

The lodge was resumed in the Second Degree and all Fellowcrafts were admitted. The W.M was Saluted and Greeted in that Degree. Bro. Srdjan Susic presented the Working Tools of the 2nd Degree also in an exemplary manner.

The Lodge was resumed in the First Degree and all EAs were admitted and the W.M was Saluted and greeted in that degree. Bro. Paolo Russo presented the Working Tools of the 1st Degree in Italian to the acclaim of those present.

The Worshipful Master then proceeded to appoint and invest his Officers for the ensuing year as follows:

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| • S.W. | Bro Simon Thomas | • I G | Bro. Feliciano Romero |
| • J.W. | Bro Kamaljit Chana | • Snr. Steward | W.Bro. Ken Crisp |
| • Chaplain | W.Bro. Terry Clayfield | • Steward | Bro. Sanjay Kotecha |
| • Treasurer | Bro Alkesh Shah | • Steward | Bro. Navin Bhatia |
| • Secretary | W.Bro. Nigel Harris-Cooksley | • Steward | Bro. Mark Romero |
| • D. C. | W.Bro. David Russell | • Steward | Bro. John Romero |
| • Almoner | W.Bro. David Errington | • Steward | Bro Shilen Thakker |
| • Charity Steward | W.Bro. Derek Biddle | • Steward | Bro Matthew Jeffrey |
| • Mentor | W.Bro Vaughan Coleridge-Matthews | • Steward | Bro. Harigoutham Ravindran |
| • Senior Deacon | Bro. Moses Kiwanuka | • Steward | Bro. Aiedan Sagayarajah |
| • Junior Deacon | Bro. Srdjan Susic | • Steward | Bro Harshad Raja |
| • Asst D.C. | W.Bro. Pratik Karia | | |
| • Asst Secretary | W.Bro. Howard Paton Barnes | • Tyler | W.Bro. Michael Porter |

The addresses were given in an excellent manner by the following Brethren: To the W.M. by W.Bro. Nigel Harris-Cooksley, the Wardens by W.Bro. Vaughan Coleridge-Matthews and to the Brethren by W.Bro. Terry Clayfield.

W. Bro Nigel Harris-Cooksley then had pleasure in presenting the Grand Lodge Certificate to Bro. Aiedan Sagayarajah

Almoner's Report:

W.Bro. David Errington informed the brethren that W.Bro. Terry Clayfield has, as many of you will know, been in hospital, for 10 days no less, but has thankfully returned to us in his usual role. We sincerely hope he has fully recovered and able to enjoy life again and that W. Bro Mirza is suffering with a severe back problem, but has been able to be present this evening. I have no new news to report, but Brethren please let me know if there is

Charity Steward's Report:

W. Bro Derek was delighted to announce that the Lodge had achieved the **Vice Patron of the 2020 Festival** and was only about £5,000 away from being Grand Patron and that with brethren making a small covenant donation are over a 5-year period, this could easily be reached.

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 electronically and that a position of Vice Chancellor at Grand Lodge was vacant if any brother would like to apply.

The W.M. rose for the second time.

Bro secretary had received letters of congratulations to WBro. Leonardo Monno, on attaining the Master's Chair from W. Bro Brian Fisher, APMG and W. Bro Patrick Frederick, Visiting Officer who also welcomed W. Bro Maurice Ndirika to North Harrow Lodge. Bro Secretary informed the Brethren that all members had been circulated with the Provincial Calendar, which is also available on the Lodge website and that he along with other members would be attending the Provincial Service of Thanksgiving at St. Alban's Cathedral on Sunday 5th November and all brethren would be welcome.

The W.M. rose for the third time.

Bro. Secretary read a letter from W. Bro Michael Breen informing him of his resignation from the Lodge as of 30th June 2017, and likewise WBro. Andy Watterston's request to go on the Country list

Bro Secretary read a Registration Form P for initiation for:

Mr. George Walker of 9, Clauson Ave, Northolt, Middlesex, UB5 4PR, a Sales Executive at Renault Retail Group, Concord House, Western Ave, W3 0RZ.

D.o.B. 25/05/1988

Proposed by W. Bro David Russell and Seconded by W. Bro Terry Clayfield.

Proposal read in open Lodge on Friday 13th October 2017

Apologies were received from the Brethren absent at the meeting, W. Bros Vince Haffenden, Adam Clayfield, Andy Watterston, David Olive, Bros Shilen Thakker, Sanjay Kotecha, Aamir Khan, Howard Cheng, Shaun Dias, James Flood, Nigel Lanchbury,

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 8.10pm.

W. Bro Nigel Harris-Cooksley (Secretary)

15.10.2017.

Signed:_____ **WM**

19th January 2018