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OF THE

ROYAL EDWARD LODGE



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Leominster.

The Book of Constitutions shall be referred to on every occasion for the guidance of the affairs of this Lodge, these By-Laws being only intended to provide for such matters as are not settled by the Book of Constitutions.

Should there be any objection to the introduction of a candidate for initiation, or a Brother for joining or re-joining, it is recommended that such objection be mentioned privately to the W. Master or Secretary, who may communicate with the proposer, and give him the privilege of withdrawing his candidate.

BY-LAWS.

Meetings.

1—The Lodge shall meet on the Second Thursday in every month, excepting June, July, August and September, at the MASONIC HALL, Leominster, at such an hour as the Master shall appoint.

Election of Master, Treasurer and Tyler.

2—The Master and Treasurer shall be elected by Ballot at the regular meeting in December, and the Master-Elect shall be installed at the regular meeting in January in each year; the Tyler to be elected by show of hands at the regular meeting in December.

Committee and Audit Committee.

3—The permanent Committee shall be composed of the Master, Past Masters (who are subscribing members of the Lodge) and the Senior and Junior Wardens. This Committee shall consider and report to the Lodge on all proposals for membership and any matters specially referred to it by the Lodge.

The Audit Committee shall consist of two Brethren who shall be appointed at the regular meeting in December.

Fees and Subscriptions.

4—The Initiation Fee shall be £10 10s., the Joining Fee £2 2s ; the Re-joining Fee shall be 10/6. The Annual Subscription shall be £2 2s. (payable in advance in January). After having paid the Annual Subscription of £2 2s. for 5 years, members living outside a radius of 20 miles may, on applying to the Secretary, be placed on the Country Members list at £1 1s. per annum.

The Secretary's services may be deemed equivalent to payment of Subscription. Any member whose subscription is unpaid for over one year shall be liable to be excluded from the Lodge in accordance with Rule 181 of the Book of Constitutions.

Election of Candidates.

5—The election of candidates for initiation and joining and re joining shall be conducted in conformity with the requirements of Rules 157 to 166, Book of Constitutions. On the ballot for a candidate for Initiation or Joining or Re-joining two black balls shall exclude.

Resignation.

6—Any Brother desirous of withdrawing from the Lodge may tender his resignation either personally or in writing, in open Lodge, which shall be duly recorded and dealt with in accordance with Rule 183 of the Book of Constitutions. He shall be entitled to a Certificate (under Rule 175,

Book of Constitutions) stating the circumstances under which he left the Lodge.

Expenditure of sums over £10.

7—No sum exceeding £10 shall be expended out of the funds of the Lodge for other than ordinary purposes without the sanction of the Lodge, by resolution, of which notice has appeared on the summons, except in cases of emergency, when such expenditure may be authorized by the Master subject to confirmation by the Lodge.

Charity Box.

8—A box for the voluntary subscriptions of the Brethren shall be passed round at each meeting of the Lodge, the contents of which may be disbursed in aid of distressed Masons.

Inventory.

9 Each year an inventory of the Lodge's property and Furniture shall be taken by the Junior Warden.

Reading of By-Laws.

10—Every Brother shall be supplied with a printed Copy of the By-Laws of the Lodge when he becomes a member; and the By-Laws shall be read aloud in open Lodge once in each year.

Alteration in By-Laws.

11—No motion to add to, alter or amend the fore-going By-Laws, or any of them, shall be made without first giving notice of such motion in writing, in Open Lodge, and notice thereof shall be inserted by the Secretary in the summons for the next Lodge Meeting, when the motion may be considered, and, if approved, entered on the Minutes but shall not become effective until confirmed at a subsequent Lodge Meeting, and finally approved by the R.W. Prov. G Master and the M.W. Grand Master.

In all respects the members of this Lodge shall abide by, and strictly conform to, the Laws and Regulations of the United Grand Lodge of England, as embodied in the Book of Constitutions.

Approved,

E. R. DYMOND,

Prov. G.M.

April 16, 1948.

Approved by the M.W. Grand Master,

SYDNEY A. WHITE,

G. Sec.

24/6/1948.