

## **MHCO Nominations Committee**

Meeting Minutes  
*November 13, 2025*

Present: Speed Hallman, Jerry Gantt, Alvin Billings, Chris Allabaugh, Tabatha Boyd

Absent: Chair Steve Norris

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### **I. Welcome:**

Mr. Speed Hallman opened the meeting, welcomed everyone in attendance, and delivered the opening prayer. A motion was made to accept the minutes from the August 4, 2025 meeting as presented. Motion seconded and carried.

### **II. Board Members' Terms Concluding**

Mr. Hallman reported that GM Rob Rideout's term has concluded. Mrs. Tracy Armwood will be finishing her second term. Mr. Archie Martin will be finishing his first term. Mr. Kenneth Small and Mr. David Wicker are both finishing fill-in seats.

### **III. Recommendation for Two Nomination Committee Appointments for 2026**

Mr. Hallman announced recommended committee appointments to include Mr. Daniel Lebold and Mrs. Brenda Dickerson-Daniel. Motion was made to approve the nominees as presented.

### **IV. Recommendation for Two Grand Master Appointments for 2026**

Mr. Hallman announced recommendations for GM appointments for 2026 include Mr. David Wicker and Mr. Lee Isley. Mr. Mike Register is to move from Observer to board member per the By-Laws. Motion was made to approve the nominations as presented. Motion seconded and carried.

### **V. Recommendation for MHCO Board Officers for 2026**

Mr. Hallman announced recommendations for the 2026 Board Officers to include Mr. Hallman as Chair, Mr. David Wicker as Vice Chair, Mr. Ed Moore as Secretary, and Mr. Luther Starling as Treasurer. Motion made to approve the slate as presented. Motion seconded and carried.

### **VI. Committee Recommendations**

Mr. Hallman announced recommendations for the 2026 Finance Committee to have Mr. Luther Starling as Chair and members to include Ms. Melissa Hogan, Mr. Eddie Gaskins, Mr. Don Arnold, Mr. Ron Hensley, Mr. Steve Owen, Mr. Gilbert Bailey as GL member, and Mrs. LuAnne Clark as committee lead.

Recommendations for the 2026 Marketing Committee have Mrs. Angela Allen as Chair and members to include Mrs. Peggy Myers, Mr. Scott Sigmon, Mr. Jim Kennedy, Mr. Phil Johnson as GL member, and Ms. Charlie Roberson as committee lead.

Recommendations for the 2026 Audit Committee have Dr. Tony Cozart as Chair and members to include Mr. Ed Moore, Ms. Grayson Hollowell, and Mr. Julian Setzer.

Recommendations for the 2026 Financial Development Committee have Mrs. Peggy Myers as Chair and members to include Mr. Speed Hallman, Mr. Tim Daniels, Mr. Archie Martin, Mr. Jimmy Moore, Mr. Chris Richardson, Mr. Jerry Gantt, Mr. Daniel Lebold, and Mr. Alvin Billings as committee lead.

Recommendations for the 2026 Policy and Personnel Committee have Mr. Ed Moore as Chair, and members include Mrs. Tracy Armwood, Mr. Robert Spell, Mr. Johnny Surles, Mr. Steve Norris, Mr. David Wicker, Ms. Kim Lyda, Mr. Lee Isley, Mr. Chris Allabaugh, and Dr. Linda Mason as committee lead.

Recommendations for the 2026 Real Estate Ad Hoc Committee have Mr. Lynnwood Cherry as Chair and members to include Mr. Ron Hensley, Mr. Dana Outlaw, Mr. Steve Norris as GL member, and Mrs. LuAnne Clark as committee lead.

Recommendations for the 2026 Nominations Committee have Mr. Gilbert Bailey as Chair, and members to include Mr. David Wicker, Mr. Speed Hallman, Mr. Alvin Billings as GL member, and Mr. Chris Allabaugh as committee lead.

Recommendations for the 2026 Program Planning Committee have Dr. Tony Cozart as Chair, and members to include Mr. Devante Hicks, Dr. Sarah Moore, Mr. Eddie Gaskins, Ms. Kim Lyda, Mr. Ed Moore, Mrs. Brenda Dickerson-Daniel, Mr. Mike Register as GL member and Dr. Amy Still as committee lead.

Recommendations for the 2026 Vision Committee have members to include Mr. Jerry Gantt, Mr. Kenneth Small, Mrs. Patricia Smith, Mr. Pierrie Gingue, Mrs. Brenda Dickerson-Daniel, Mr. Daniel Lebold, Ms. Gabi Wheat, Mr. Phil Johnson as GL member and Mr. Chris Allabaugh as committee lead. It was noted that this committee currently does not have a Chair.

Recommendations for the 2026 Masonic Homecoming Festival have Mr. Johnny Surles as Chair and members to include Mr. Pierre Gingue, Mr. Steve Norris as GL member, and Mr. Alvin Billings as committee lead.

Recommendations for the 2026 Safety Ad Hoc Committee have Mr. Johnny Surles as Chair and members to include Mr. Speed Hallman, Mr. David Wicker, Mrs. LuAnne Clark, Ms. Terrie Lawson, Mr. Chris Allabaugh, and Mr. David Adcock as committee lead.

Recommendations for the 2026 Executive Committee have Mr. Steve Norris as GM, Mr. Speed Hallman as Chair, Mr. David Wicker as Vice Chair, Mr. Ed Moore as Secretary, Mr. Luther Starling as Treasurer, Mr. Phil Johnson as Observer, and Mr. Chris Allabaugh as Chief Executive Officer.

After some discussion, motion was made to approve the committee assignments as presented. Motion seconded and carried.

### **VIII. Bios**

The committee reviewed bios for Mrs. Dickerson-Daniel, Mr. Daniel Lebold, and Mr. Lee Isley. The committee then reviewed the proposed board and committee schedule for 2026. Motion was made to approve the schedule as presented. Motion seconded and carried.

With no other business to discuss, Mr. Speed Hallman adjourned the meeting at 4:17pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for May 7, 2025 at 4:00pm.

Minutes prepared by *Tabatha Boyd*