

# Proceedings of the 49<sup>th</sup> DeMolay International Congress

Thursday, June 16, 2016

## Informal Opening (8:00AM – 8:33AM)

- Welcome by IMC Chandler R. Gordon and Introductions were made
- Inspirational Video presented by ICS Quentin J. Cockerham
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Prayer
- Presentation by Tom L. Denslow, 26th IMC

## Reviewal of Procedures (9:20AM – 10:16AM)

- Presented by Dad Kemerley
  - Presentation of Call Item #1 articles, Q/A
  - Started Call Item #1 at 10:17 am

## Roll Call (10:18)

- Delegates present

Adriatics	0	Italy	1	North Carolina	2	Washington	2
Alabama	2	Kansas	2	North Dakota	0	West Virginia	1
Arizona	2	Kentucky	2	Northern California & Hawaii	2	Wisconsin	2
Arkansas	2	Louisiana	2	Ohio	2	Wyoming	2
Bolivia	0	Maine	2	Oklahoma	2		
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Colorado	2	Michigan	2	Pennsylvania	2	<b>2/3 MAJORITY: 76</b>	
Connecticut	2	Minnesota	2	Rhode Island	2		
Delaware	2	Mississippi	2	Romania	1		
District of Columbia	0	Missouri	2	South Carolina	2		
Florida	2	Montana	2	South Dakota	0		
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## Legislation (10:17AM – 11:00AM)

### Call Item # 1

Motion made by: International Supreme Council Congress Committee

Motion Seconded by: Greg Fyffe (OH)

Delegates who spoke for: James Porter (Wyoming), William Blake (MA)

Delegates who spoke against:

Amendments to the original motion:

Jake Vermeulen (IND) – “The text of Call Item #1 to be amended from Section IV to article IV.” Eric (PA) spoke for. **Amendment passed.**

Jake Eres (North CA) - The congress add to the Article V section 1 “**and formally communicated to the delegates**” between the words “regarded” and “as”. Zach Williams (NY) seconded. **Amendment passed.**

Greg Fyffe (OH) – Article 2 Section 1 be replaced with the “**International Master Councilor and International Congress Secretary are nominated following the process laid out in the Congress Bylaws.**” Zach Hall (ARK) seconded, Daniel S. (North Carolina) spoke against. Vote called, division was called and a standing vote taken. FOR: 39 – AGAINST: 61. **Amendment failed.**

William Blake (MA) – Article IV Section 3 of Call Item 1 be amended to read, “In the event that problems arise with behavior of congress delegates, the Executive Officer of the delegates jurisdiction will be consulted by the congress advisor of his designee. Disruptive behavior could result in the suspension of a member’s rights and vote as a delegate of the International congress for that given year. **The final decision on punishment shall be decided by a 2/3 vote from the congress.** - Michael Gendreau (CT) seconded and spoke for the amendment, Eric (PA), Zach Hall (AR) spoke for the amendment. Danny Johnson (Montana) spoke against. McLean Haughey (FL) motioned to table the amendment, Daniel Cunningham (VT) seconded. McLean rescinded the motion to table. **Passed.**

- Zach Williams (NY) motioned to amend the amendment “**punishment shall be decided by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote from the Congress Officer, after which it will go to Executive Officer decision**”, seconded. Tony Peebler (TX), James Porter (Wyoming) spoke for. Greg Fyffe (OH) spoke against. Moved to table Call Item 1 for lunch at 11:00 AM. James Porter (Wyoming) moved to bring off table, seconded. Motion carried, resumed at 12:27PM. Alex (MA) moved to call the question, Chris Little (TX) seconded. Motion to call the question passed. **Amendment to amendment passed.**  
“**punishment shall be decided by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote from the Congress Officer, after which it will go to Executive Officer decision**” **Original amendment passed.**

McLean Haughey (FL) moved to limit debate, seconded. Motion passed. Debate for this call item limited to 2 for, 2 against.

Chris Fechisin (VA) moved to amend Article IV and Section 1 by crossing out “it’s” before “members” and replacing it with “its” due to grammatical error, seconded. Amendment passed.

Motion passed?: **Yes. Passed on 12:36pm.**

**Roll Call (12:20)**

- Delegates present

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Alabama	2	Kansas	2	North Dakota	0	West Virginia	1
Arizona	2	Kentucky	2	Northern California & Hawaii	2	Wisconsin	2
Arkansas	2	Louisiana	2	Ohio	2	Wyoming	2
Bolivia	0	Maine	2	Oklahoma	2		
Brazil	1	Maryland	2	Oregon	2	<b>TOTAL: 98</b>	
Canada	1	Massachusetts	2	Paraguay	0	<b>MAJORITY: 50</b>	
Colorado	2	Michigan	2	Pennsylvania	2	<b>2/3 MAJORITY: 66</b>	
Connecticut	2	Minnesota	2	Rhode Island	2		
Delaware	2	Mississippi	2	Romania	1		
District of Columbia	1	Missouri	2	South Carolina	2		
Florida	2	Montana	2	South Dakota	0		
Georgia	2	Nebraska	2	Southern California	2		
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Illinois	2	New Jersey	2	Utah	1		
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**Legislation (12:27PM – 1:40PM)**Call Item # 2

Motion made by: Chase Gordon, Arizona, DSMC

Motion Seconded by: Zach Williams (NY)

Delegates who spoke for: Ben Allphin (OR), Michael Gendreau (CT), Donald Riddle (NorCal)

Delegates who spoke against: Jason Golec (MI)

Amendments to the original motion:

Ben Allphin (OR) moved to amend the topic portion to add after “the following impairments but not limited to at the discretion of the Executive Officer,” and then add after “cerebral palsy”, “and those on IEPs and 504 plans”, seconded. Eric (PA), TJ Elliot (South CA), Zach Williams (NY) spoke for. **Amendment passed.**

Michael Gendreau (CT) moved to amend the 750 word count required for the essay to 500 words, seconded by James T. (Wyoming). James T. (Wyoming) spoke for. Chris Little (TX) spoke against. **Amendment passed.**

Tony Peebler (TX) moved to change all instances of 750 to 500 in the proposal. **Passed.**

Motion passed?: **Yes. Passed at 12:57PM.**

### Call Item # 3

Motion made by: AJ Brendel, Minnesota

Motion Seconded by: Jared Trutner (AZ)

Delegates who spoke for: None.

Delegates who spoke against: Jake Vermenlen (IND)

Amendment to the original motion:

McLean Haughey (FL) moved to amend the motion and cross out “close of the annual meeting” and replace it with “following their vote at the meeting following the International Supreme Council Session”, seconded.

Michael Gendreau (CT) spoke against.

- Michael Gendreau (CT) amended the amendment to following their vote at the end of each meeting” and deleting the rest, seconded by Samuel Jenkes (New Hampshire). McLean (FL) spoke for.

Vote was taken, division called. FOR: 48; AGAINST: 50 **Motion failed.**

**Original amendment passed.**

Motion passed?: **Yes. Passed at 1:11PM.**

### Call Item # 4

Motion made by: Jared Truettner, Arizona, SMC

Motion Seconded by: Donald Riddle (North CA)

Delegates who spoke for: None.

Delegates who spoke against: None.

Amendments to the original motion:

Michael Gendreau (CT) moved to amend the motion to “A delegate is an active DeMolay in good standing and **who is appointed by the Executive Officer of the Jurisdiction.**” and the rest crossed out, seconded by Will (MA). Samuel Jenkes (NH), Greg Fyffe (OH), William Blake (MA) spoke for. Adam Prichard (PA), AJ Brendel (Minnesota), Jake Eres (North Cal) spoke against. -

Samuel Jenkes (NH) proposed an amendment to the amendment to change “**who is appointed by the Executive Officer and resides within the Region that the Jurisdiction is from of the Jurisdiction**”, seconded by Sean (SC). TJ Elliot (South CA), Alex Dyer (MA), Michael Gendreau (CT) spoke for. Daniel Cunningham (IA), Daniel Johnson (MT) spoke against. **Motion fails.**

**Original amendment failed.**

Motion passed?: **Yes. Passed at 1:40PM.**

### **Order of the Day (1:48PM – 2:22PM)**

- Dad Jeffrey C. Kitsmiller Jr. (MO, Active ISC) gave an inspirational presentation.

### **Break (2:25PM)**

### **Candidate Nominations (2:48PM – 3:40PM)**

#### International Congress Secretary Nominations:

1. **Br. Nicholas Pierce (Delaware)** – Br. Louis Rice (NC) nominated, Br. Keegan Salts (VA) seconded.
2. **Br. Cameron Newman (Maryland)** – Br. David Strang (NE) nominated, Br. Alexander (DC) seconded.
3. **Br. Gabriel Jones-Gallardo (Oregon)** – Br. Chase Gordon (AZ) nominated, Br. Zach Williams (NY) seconded.

#### International Master Councilor Nominations:

1. **Br. Braden Zimmerman (Oklahoma)** – Br. Mason Sellars (CO) nominated, Br. Jesus Martinez (SoCal) seconded.
2. **Br. Darien Koons (Indiana)** – Br. Luke Walker (WA) nominated, Br. McLean Haughey (FL) seconded.

Friday, June 17, 2016

**Roll Call (9:08AM)**

- Delegates present

Adriatics	0	Italy	1	North Carolina	2	Washington	2
Alabama	0	Kansas	2	North Dakota	0	West Virginia	2
Arizona	2	Kentucky	2	Northern California & Hawaii	2	Wisconsin	2
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**49th Committee Reports (9:15AM -10:18AM)**

Br. Braden Zimmerman (OK) gave a presentation over his ritual committee.

Call Item # 8

Motion made by: Braden Zimmerman, Oklahoma, SMC

Motion Seconded by: Justin Brian (OK)

Delegates who spoke for: None.

Delegates who spoke against: None.

Amendment to the original motion: None.

Motion passed?: **Yes. Motion passed unanimously at 9:40AM.**

IMC Chandler R. Gordon gave a presentation over the Retention Committee.

Call Item # 7

Motion made by: Jared Truettner, Arizona, SMC

Motion Seconded by: Chris Little (TX)

Delegates who spoke for: None.

Delegates who spoke against: None.

Amendment to the original motion: None.

McLean Haughey (FL) moved to call the question, seconded. **Motion to call the question unanimously passed.**

Motion passed?: **Yes. Motion passed unanimously at 10:18AM.**

**Break (10:23AM)**

**Roll Call (10:45AM)**

- Delegates present

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Alabama	2	Kansas	2	North Dakota	0	West Virginia	2
Arizona	2	Kentucky	2	Northern California & Hawaii	2	Wisconsin	2
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Colorado	2	Michigan	2	Pennsylvania	2	<b>2/3 MAJORITY: 67</b>	
Connecticut	2	Minnesota	2	Rhode Island	2		
Delaware	2	Mississippi	2	Romania	1		
District of Columbia	1	Missouri	2	South Carolina	2		

Florida	2	Montana	2	South Dakota	0
Georgia	2	Nebraska	2	Southern California	2
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Idaho	2	New Hampshire	2	Texas	2
Illinois	2	New Jersey	2	Utah	1
Indiana	2	New Mexico	2	Vermont	2
Iowa	2	New York	2	Virginia	2

### Legislation (10:53AM – 11:13AM)

#### Call Item # 5

Motion made by: Luke Walker, Washington, SMC

Motion Seconded by: Jake Vermenlen (IND)

Delegates who spoke for: Michael Gendreau (CT)

Delegates who spoke against: None.

Amendment to the original motion:

James Porter (Wyoming) motioned to amend the motion and add a semi-colon at the end of section B, seconded by Missouri delegate. **Amendment unanimously passed.**

William Blake (MA) moved to amend the motion and cross out “a time span of one year” in section A and to replace it with “one term lasting from the International Session they are elected at, until the following International Congress.”, seconded by Samuel Jenkes (NH).

- McLean Haughey (FL) moved to amend the proposed amendment and change “International Congress” to “International Session” **Amendment to amendment passed.**

- “one term lasting from the International Session they are elected at, until the following International Session.”

**Original amendment passed.**

Motion passed?: **Yes. Motion passed unanimously at 11:04AM.**

#### Call Item # 6

Motion made by: International Supreme Council Congress Committee

Samuel Jenkes (NH) moved to table until after Call Item #9, seconded by Jake Eres (NorCal). **Motion to table passed and tabled at 11:06AM.**



Garrett F. (VA) motioned to return from table, seconded. **Motion to return from table unanimously passed at 4:23PM.**

Motion Seconded by: Jake Eres (Wyoming)

Delegates who spoke for: None.

Delegates who spoke against: None.

Amendment to the original motion: None.

Motion passed?: **Yes. Motion passed at 4:26PM.**

#### Call Item # 9

Motion made by: Luke Walker, Washington, SMC

Motion Seconded by: Jake Vermenlen (IND)

Delegates who spoke for: None.

Delegates who spoke against: None.

Amendment to the original motion: None.

Motion passed?: **Yes. Motion passed unanimously at 11:11AM.**

IMC Chandler Gordon entertained a motion to recess for lunch, so moved and seconded. **Motion unanimously passed.**

#### **Lunch (11:30AM)**

#### **Roll Call (1:15PM)**

#### **IMC Candidate Caucus (1:21PM – 2:20PM)**

Question: Joseph Gronski (PA) – What would you do to promote DeMolay in LGBT and special needs communities?

Question: What is your DeMolay elevator speech?

Question: If you were a Disney princess, who would it be?

Question: Marcos Perez (Philippines) - What innovative quality or trait separates you from the other candidate?

Question: Alexander Foly (DC) – Where do you think you would be at this time in your life if you never knew DeMolay?

Question: Kansas – If you were a shoe, what kind would you be? How would you be worn?

Question: Richard Ables (MO) – What incentive would you offer to the chapters and jurisdictions to encourage membership growth during the Rush Months?

Question: McLean Houghey (FL) - How do you plan to promote and market DeMolay to the general public?

Question: Justin Brian (OK) – What experiences do you have in building/rebuilding a chapter?

Question: Dad Edward White (PA) – What is your membership recruitment and retention plan?

Question: Willy (Germany) – What are your plans to spread DeMolay around the globe or will you focus your work mostly on America?

Question: Jesus Martinez (SouthCal) – How has your year as SMC prepared you for the office of International Master Councilor?

Question: Santiago Dominguez (Bolivia) – What is your plan to create a better integration program between foreign jurisdictions and jurisdictions in the USA?

Question: Matt Hoffman (NJ) – What would a 12 year old get out of DeMolay that wouldn't just be from the added maturity from growing older?

Question: James Hawkins – What do you think the greatest pressure facing an IMC or ICS is and how will you overcome it?

Question: Michael Gendreau (CT) – What qualities of your opponent would you like to have in order to have a successful term?

Question: What cardinal virtue do you think is the most important?

Question: Tucker Hill (NE) – What is your greatest weakness and how will you overcome it?

Question: Can you name 2 members not from the USA that you met at session this year? If so, who were they and how do you plan to extend brotherhood between the US and our foreign brothers?

Question: In the movie Marvel Captain America: Civil Way, what side would you pick: Captain America or Iron Man?

Question: Jonah LaBeau (Wyoming) – What will you do if you are not elected to your position?

Question: Zach Clawson (MT) – What does running for IMC mean to you?

Question: Zach Hall (ARK) – If you could be any one thing in the world, what would it be?

Question: Matt Gerow (OK) – What is your existing experience working with DeMolay International?

Question: Bradley Pitman (MO) – As you are both cabinet members/communication liaison how much time and effort did you put into your assigned projects?

**Break (2:21PM)**

**Roll Call (4:22PM)**

**ICS Candidate Caucus (3:09PM – 4:00PM)**

Question: Michael Gendreau (CT) - If you were president, what would you make the department of?

Question: Doug Van Anda (OR) - There are two officers, how will you keep your relationship professional if you disagree?

Question: (Online) What would you do for a Klondike bar?

Question: John Jacobson (WA) – How do you live DeMolay every day and in every way? What message will you bring to the members to inspire them to live and promote DeMolay in that way?

Question: Matt Hoffman (NJ) – How do you plan to improve public relations, simultaneously bringing DeMolay into the 21<sup>st</sup> century in order to keep up with today's society?

Question: Donnie Riddle (NorCal) – If you would have to add one more virtue to the seven we have now, what would it be?

Question: Nigel Lunsford (NJ) – What is the one thing you want to get out of being International Congress Secretary?

Question: Alexander Foly (DC) – If you could help start a chapter on any planet, what planet would you choose?

Question: James McMahan II (MS) – You've developed a program and a region does not participate in your program. How would you respond and how would you handle that situation?

Question: Alex Dyer (MA) – What piece of advice have you heard that you have taken most to heart?

Question: Why did you run for ICS instead of IMC?

Question: Sean Wood (Southern Nevada) – Do you consider a “spork” an actual utensil?

Question: What is your favorite part of our ritual and why?

Question: Luis Roman (NC) – If you were to be elected for your position, what would be one of your biggest fears?

Question: Gerrit Stultz (VA) – How do you plan to further upgrade and improve the DeMolay App?

Question: Justin Brian (OK) – If you could be any other International Congress Secretary, who would you be and why?

Question: What was a program from the 49<sup>th</sup> International Congress that you didn't like?

Question: Sarah Leeper (MIJD) – What’s your favorite ice cream and how can you relate it to DeMolay?

Question: How would you work to improve the region meetings from this year’s programs?

Question: West Virginia – Looking around the room, there is a noticeable lack of diversity in our organization. Do you believe there is something we are not currently doing to be more inclusive or something we could do better?

Question: John Jacobson (WA) – How have you changed DeMolay for the better? Also, how have you made the difference in a 12 year old’s DeMolay life?

Question: Zach Williams (NY) – Do you believe the ICS is second to the IMC?

**Break (4:00PM)**

**Roll Call (4:16PM)**

- Delegates present

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Call Item # 6

Garrett F. (VA) motioned to return Call Item #6 from table, seconded. **Motion to return from table unanimously passed at 4:23PM.**

Motion made by: International Supreme Council Congress Committee

Motion Seconded by: Jake Eres (Wyoming)

Delegates who spoke for: None.

Delegates who spoke against: None.

Amendment to the original motion: None.

Motion passed?: **Yes. Motion unanimously passed at 4:26PM.**

**Congress discussed ISC Call Items due to time from 4:27PM to 4:50PM.**

**Presentation (4:51PM – 5:05PM)**

- Sr. DeMolay and Game Designer CJ Conroy gave a presentation.
- IMC Chandler Gordon called for recess until Saturday morning.

Saturday, June 18, 2016

**Roll Call (8:30AM)**

- Delegates present

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Bolivia	2	Maine	2	Oklahoma	2		
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Colorado	2	Michigan	2	Pennsylvania	2	<b>2/3 MAJORITY: 68</b>	
Connecticut	2	Minnesota	2	Rhode Island	2		
Delaware	2	Mississippi	2	Romania	1		
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**49th Congress Report (8:40AM – 8:53AM)**

ICS Quentin J. Cockerham gave his report in regards to his Office during his term

IMC Chandler R. Gordon gave his report in regards to his Office during his term

**Candidates Final Statements (8:54AM – 9:05AM)**

ICS Candidates spoke

IMC Candidates spoke

## **Candidates Election (9:06AM – 9:48AM)**

International Congress Secretary

- Gabriel Jones-Gallardo (OR): 78
- Cameron Newman (MD): 8
- Nicholas Pierce (DE): 11
- Abstains: 5

**WINNER: GABRIEL JONES-GALLARDO (OR)**

International Master Councilor

Darien Koons (IN) moved for unanimous ballot, seconded. **Motion unanimously passes.**

**WINNER: BRADEN ZIMMERMAN (OK)**

## **International Jurisdictions Presentations (10:05AM – 10:25AM)**

Brazil gave a jurisdictional presentation.

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