



**The Grand Council  
Of Royal And Select Masters  
Of Texas**



**2020 First Report of District Deputy Grand Master**

Official visit on 02 / 01 / 2020 to TMRC PECAN GROVE Council № 42, District № 26, located at  
1501 WEST DIVISION STREET in ARLINGTON, TX 76012 (PO Box: -):

**Installed Officers Present:** TIM ☒ RIDM ☒ IPC ☒ TRS ☒ REC ☒ CHP ☐ CG ☐ COC ☐ ST ☐ SEN ☐

**PTIMs Serving as Officers:** TIM ☐ RIDM ☐ IPC ☐ TRS ☐ REC ☒ CHP ☐ CG ☐ COC ☐ ST ☐ SEN ☐

*Important: Answer ALL questions. Discuss the report with the Council Officers. List additional comments on a separate form if necessary. Mail and distribute copies according to directions. File this report within five (5) days.*

- YES ☒ NO ☐ 1. Has your Council utilized the District Instructor this year?  
a. If not, state why: DDGM Note: multiple DI team members are members of this Council.
- YES ☒ NO ☐ 2. Did the Council have more than one ritual book opened during the ritualistic opening and closing?
- YES ☐ NO ☒ 3. Is your Council capable of conferring its own degrees with its own members?
- YES ☒ NO ☐ 4. Has your Council had a gain in members over the last 5 years?  
a. Including Deaths ☐ Excluding Deaths ☒
- YES ☒ NO ☐ 5. Does your Council plan to participate in the Annual 2020 School of Instruction?  
a. If not, state why:
- YES ☒ NO ☐ 6. Does your Council plan to participate in a local, district, or area School of Instruction?
- YES ☒ NO ☐ 7. Is your Council interested in holding a local School of Instruction?
- YES ☒ NO ☐ 8. Does your Council contribute to the Texas Masonic Retirement Center?  
a. If not, state why:
- YES ☒ NO ☐ 9. Were all the minutes signed and up to date?
- YES ☒ NO ☐ 10. Does your Council own or maintain a website, Facebook page, or other social media?  
a. If so, is it up to date? YES ☒ NO ☐
- YES ☒ NO ☐ 11. Would the Council be interested in a Cryptic statewide training program similar to the Grand Lodge of Texas Officer Leadership Training program?  
a. If not, does the Council do any type of formal planning YES ☐ NO ☐
- YES ☐ NO ☒ 12. Does your Council have a budget?
- YES ☒ NO ☐ 13. Does your Council have sufficient funds to operate?
- YES ☐ NO ☒ 14. Does your Council have any special meetings (i.e. awards, family, or honor nights, etc.)?

See notes

15. What does the Council do to give it a separate identity from the other York Rite Bodies?

DDGM Note - they don't.

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*If the Council desires to make additional comments, please submit them on a separate page, make the necessary copies of the same, and submit them with this report.*

Please notate all remarks regarding the condition of this Council that Trustees of the Grand Council need to be made aware of at this time (If necessary, continue on a separate page and submit):

NOTE: This version of the report was written significantly after the fact to correct my previous use of an incorrect version of the "2020 First Report of District Deputy Grand Master." As such, while most of this report has simply been copied over from the first report, some of it has been reconstructed from memory, or filled out based on personal observation.

The camaraderie of TMRCPG Council is very good. These companions know how to have a good time. However, it seems like they're having a lot of trouble with basic ritual standards - multiple officers were reading out of the books during a GRADED opening/closing, for example. They regularly have to announce "all-calls" to summon as many visitors as possible in order to confer the work.

One companion in particular was extremely disruptive during the opening, closing, and meetings of both the chapter convocation and the council assembly. It got to the point where I was legitimately surprised that he was not gaveled down by the TIM or another officer. TIM did, however, verbally announce his frustration with said Companion's behavior, but nobody (especially the Companion in question) seemed to take TIM seriously. I felt a lot of second-hand frustration on his behalf.

The RIDM announced that after receiving a whisper of good counsel, he will not be pursuing election to the East. His stated reasons were that he has been absent a lot in the past and will continue to be absent in the future due to his professional commitments as a band teacher. I respect his decision and his desire to serve the greater good of his Council. I will be monitoring them closely regarding this as having a dais officer drop out of line can occasionally be disruptive to a council.

I can't recall for sure whether or not they've had growth over the past five years excluding deaths regarding their total membership, but their active participating membership has exploded. As of right now, TMRCPG has five candidates in the pipeline. They are seriously growing and thriving. It's a far cry from their previous state, when they were almost wiped out of existence by lack of participation and other masonic troubles. I am very proud of the progress that TMRCPG has made, and I'm optimistic for their future.

## Recommendations for District Deputy Grand Master:

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Signed,



Gabriel Allen Jagush

District Deputy Grand Master, Cryptic District №

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