

**RULE 13.**—All matters not specially provided for are to be decided by a majority of the votes, unless the Grand Lodge think proper to leave them to the determination of the Grand Master; the votes of the members are to be signified by each holding up one of his hands, and the motion is then to be declared as carried or lost; but if two members demand that the votes be counted, the brethren in favor of the motion shall pass to one side of the Lodge, and those against it to the other, when they shall be counted by the Grand Deacons—the Grand Master to have a casting vote in case of a tie.

**Section 35.**—No confirmation of minutes is requisite if they have been correctly taken; and if no brother objects to them on that account, they must stand approved. It shall not be competent for a brother, on hearing the minutes of a previous meeting read, to discuss or question anything done thereat, unless he has at such previous meeting given notice of reconsideration.

**Section 36.**—The Grand Lodge is declared to be open in Ample Form when the Grand Master is present; in Due Form when the Deputy Grand Master or a past Grand Master presides; at all other times only in Form, yet with the same authority.

