

Dania/Dannebrog Joint Meetings Ritual

Joint Opening Ceremonies



President: The meeting will please come to order.

President: Vice President, will you assist me with the opening.

President: Ladies and gentleman, we are about to begin our deliberations. Let us remember that our mottoes are unity gives strength and not for pleasure only.

Vice

President: Let us visit the sick, bring cheer and comfort to those who are sad and depressed, and to the best of our ability, be a support to the Danish Societies of Dania and Dannebrog.

President: Let us put aside all personal feelings and with mutual strength work for the interest of our cause; thus, our efforts will result in benefit to our Branches and Societies of Dania and Dannebrog.



President: Please join in saluting the Flag of the United States of America.
Join in singing the opening song. (Optional)

I now declare the meeting open for business.



(Introduce and escort any Grand Officers Present.)

Drape the charter for any member deceased since the previous meeting.



(Read from Dania or Dannebrog Ritual)

Order of Business

Roll call of officers
Application for membership
Initiation of new members
Reading of Minutes - *(Each branch to receive a copy of approved minutes)*
Cheer committee report
New cheer committee (Optional)
Members reported sick since last meeting
Drawing drafts for sick member benefits
Reading of communications
Reading of bills
Auditors report
Motion to pay the bills *(Motion should include the name and number of branch payment will come from)*
Report of standing committees
Report of Trustees *(One from each branch)*
Unfinished business
New motions and new business

Other:

Employment wanted *(Optional)*
Help wanted *(Optional)*
Cheer fund march
(Coin box may be passed by the Marshal, placed on the altar or on the Vice Presidents podium)
Discussion for the good of the order *(Call on visitors, new members, etc. at this time)*
Name a new refreshment committee
Financial Secretary report (If your branch has one)
Treasurers report *(One from each branch)*

President: Is there anything else to report, before we close?

Joint Closing Ceremonies



President: Ladies and gentlemen! Before we part, let me remind you that the interest for our cause must not be forgotten until we meet again. Let us, in the meantime, work for Dannebrog and Dania's welfare. Let us therefore endeavor to conduct ourselves in such a manner that Dania and Dannebrog members will always be known as highly respected members of the community, bringing light and sunshine to the well and sick, not alone in our Society's narrow circle, but wherever we find deserving Danish and American women and men. Also, to promote the Danish heritage and customs. For as we sow, so shall we reap. If we, with willing hearts, fulfill our duties toward another, then our harvest will be our countrymen's respect and confidence, and thereby, our Societies will prosper.

The meeting is adjourned.



List of Officers for Joint Meetings

The following five offices should alternate Dania/Dannebrog or Dannebrog/Dania.

- 1 Past President
- 1 President
- 1 Vice President
- 1 Marshal
- 1 Vice Marshal

You need:

- 1 Secretary
- 2 Treasurers (*One from each branch*)
- 1 or 2 Financial Secretaries (*Optional*)
- 2 to 6 Trustees (*At least one from each branch*)
- 3 Auditors, mixed (*2 from Dania and 1 from Dannebrog, or 2 from Dannebrog and 1 from Dania*)

This character  means you hit the gavel once.

This  means you hit the gavel three times.