

## K of C Final Meeting Minutes for St. Thomas More Council # 7121, Dec. 27, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:56 PM by the Grand Knight, Br. Tom Kelly.

A quorum of members was determined present ( 15 members) by Grand Knight Tom Kelly.

The opening prayer was offered, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Roll of officers (P=present, X=excused, A=absent):

— P Grand Knight – Br. Tom Kelly	—	— P Advocate – Br. Bob Wesselman
— X Chaplain – Rev Fr Timothy Lindenfelser		— X Warden – Br. Alex Stamatelos
— P DGK – Br. John Parkey		— P Outside Guard – Br. Brian Foy
— X Chancellor – Br. Bill Remy		— X Inside Guard – Br. Tommy Murphy
— P Recorder – Br. Rick Cozby		— X Trustees – Br. Don Fox (1 year)
— X Financial Secretary – Br. Dave Look		— P Br. Paul Doran (2 year)
— P Treasurer – Br. Greg Meese		— X Br. Chuck Nitsch (3 year)
— P Lecturer – Br. John Alexander		

Dignitaries/visitors/new members: None

The minutes from the Nov. 15, 2018 business meeting were approved as read.

**Membership/Admissions/Initiations: None**

### Grand Knight's Report:

- GK noted that our Chaplain has been very pleased with the support from our council of late. He would like to attend the meetings but has other obligations on Thursdays; will try to send a message of support in the future. The Bishop also complimented the Knights during the 4 p.m. Christmas mass.
- The recent football event was a great success; kudos to Jim and Derrick for their efforts – they are our Knights of the month!

### FINANCIAL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Treasurer's Report:** Brother Greg Meese reported the balance in the Fr. Seamus Scholarship fund to be \$9545.91. Income was \$3712.69, expenses \$1217.57, leaving a balance of \$10,486.62.

**Reading of Bills and Communications:** GK noted that we have received several letters of appreciation for our financial and other assistance to various organizations over the past couple of months. Letters available for review as desired.

**Financial Secretary:** Council Statement from Supreme dated 12/1/2018 shows 137 members (loss of 1 – Dick Connally transferred back to Council 2473 in Alexandria VA) and a balance due of \$7.49 for freight. Ten members, each with dues arrears capped at \$100 each, were submitted for suspension on 9/17/18. Review 12/12/18 to SD Don Kahrer by John J. O'Toole, Florida State Council, Admissions /Retention Chairman consisted of expected state officer response:

Worthy State Deputy,

There seems to have been very little done by the St Thomas More Council # 7121 in St Augustine to retain the 10 members that were submitted on September 28

Fraternally, John J. O'Toole

All ten suspensions were denied. We are appealing this decision. 98 Brothers did pay their dues, in the amount of \$2525. There are currently only 2 Brothers whose dues are in arrears: Bill Boozang \$25 (moved to Walpole MA in Jan 2018) and Brian Walls \$50.

**Trustees Report:** No report; semi-annual audit due Feb 15, 2019

**Chancellor's Report on Vocations:** No report.

**SERVICE PROGRAMS and COMMITTEES:**

**Respect Life:** Ed O'Sullivan reported that he has 10 crosses for the Preserve Life Display. He will place these in the green shed by the Community Center. GK noted that this is in addition to the \$100 that the council donated for the new monument. GK will discuss next steps with Pat Greenfield.

**Social:** 12/8/18 Christmas Party dinner and "Twelve Knights of Christmas" Party Basket raffle took in donations of \$2631, had expenses of \$1044.56, with a net profit of \$1586.44.

**Bar Report:** Concert # 2 on 11/16 had a net profit of \$76.

Final concert in Celebration Hall will be held Saturday evening, Feb. 23.

**Coffee & Donuts:** Next Coffee and Donuts by the Knights will be Jan. 13

**Food Drive Report:** Food drive weekend of Nov 17-18 collected 2040 lb of food and \$1330 in gift cards and donations. Next food drive is bag handout Jan 12-13 and bag pickup Jan 19-20.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Fr. Seamus dinner tickets go on sale this coming weekend Dec 30. Dinner tickets are \$15 per person if paid for before Jan. 20, or \$20 at the door. DGK announced the seller schedule and roster for this weekend. Need to ensure donations are kept separate from ticket proceeds to ensure proper accountability. Steve Barthelmes and John Richards are overseeing the food operation. Steve and Tom Alexander agreed to replace Fr. Seamus and Tom Peckenham on the scholarship selection committee. Fr. Seamus will not attend the Fr. Seamus dinner this year; need a substitute guest speaker/emcee/program.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Knights have volunteered to host a cash bar at the Family Movie Night in Celebration Hall Friday night, January 18 at 6 pm. Movie will be "*The Secret Life of Pets*".
- Steve Barthelmes announced that the Lenten Fish Fry team would like to make a donation in memory of Rusty Durling. He also noted that the team is open to partnering with the council on the execution of the fish fry. Bob Wesselman thanked the team for their efforts, eliciting applause from all attendees.

**FOURTH DEGREE: No report**

- FN John Alexander asked 4<sup>th</sup> Degree members to contact him if they are not receiving his emails.
- Their outing at Flagler Auditorium was a great success; regular meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at Martins Restaurant, Flagler Beach.

**FRATERNAL AGENT:** No report.

**DISTRICT DEPUTY: No report**

**GOOD OF THE ORDER/Welfare &/or Distress:** GK noted that Gene Behrends appreciates short visits; DGK can coordinate as needed. Prayers of healing requested for Tom Peckenham, Ed Mulvey and Dave Look. Tom Mina thanked the council for prayers for his wife, which are still needed.

The closing prayer and ode were led by the GK. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Submitted by: Rick Cozby

Approved by the members on Jan 24, 2019 per the Grand Knight.

Attested by Rick Cozby, Recorder

*Richard S. Cozby*