

K of C DRAFT Meeting Minutes for St. Thomas More Council # 7121, Jan 24, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by the Grand Knight, Br. Tom Kelly.

A quorum of members was determined present (20 members) by Grand Knight .

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

Dignitaries/visitors/new members: Visitors: Patrick Kasmar, Len Rafuse and Nick Modock

The minutes from the Dec 27, 2018 business meeting were approved as corrected.

Membership/Admissions/Initiations: Processed transfer request for Carl Oehmann, a 4th Degree Knight transferring from Co. 9903 McKinney TX

Grand Knight's Report:

- Received a note from the Worthy Chaplain thanking the council for its support.
- GK offers thanks and praise for the life and membership of recently deceased Brother Gene Behrends. He has been named Council 7121 Knight of the Year. Please attend his memorial service on 28 Jan.
- GK verified readiness for the Fr. Seamus dinner on 25 Jan. Will need volunteers to rotate shifts at the bar; please stay after the meeting to help set up.

FINANCIAL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report: Brother Greg Meese reported the balance in the Fr. Seamus Scholarship fund to be \$9541.40. Income was \$2047.69 (for the Fr. Seamus Dinner), expenses were \$854.24 leaving a balance of \$11,680.07.

Reading of Bills and Communications:

Financial Secretary: Council statement shows 137 members. Abandoning efforts to suspend 10 lost brothers. Not worth the wasted time and aggravation. Will try to do a few at a time. Received bill from Supreme for \$161.25 per capita, \$54 Catholic advertising, and \$102 culture of life assessment totaling \$317.25.

Trustees Report: No report

Chancellor's Report on Vocations: Chancellor brought several copies of the book, Knights of Christ: Daily Devotions for Knights Seeking Christ, produced by the Colorado Knights of Columbus Charities Fund. All attendees were invited to take a copy.

SERVICE PROGRAMS and COMMITTEES:

Social: We cooked and served tacos to Director of Religious Education Denise Pressley and 65 confirmands and their sponsors on Sunday, Jan 20 at a cost of \$196.51, including soft drinks and desserts. John Parkey received a thank you note from Denise.

Bar Report: Bar account transferred \$142 to the council treasurer from the Nov 16 concert, \$178 from the fall football fest, \$136 from the Christmas Party, and \$77.08 from the parish Christmas concert reception. Bar account is still holding \$76.50 from two small parish events and has a balance of \$142.80.

Coffee & Donuts: No report.

Food Drive Report: Food drive Jan 19-20 totaled 2150 lb of food and \$1085 in cash, checks, and gift cards. Thanks to Chuck Nitsch, Fred Hernandez, Tom Kelly, John Parkey, Dan Donelin, Brian Foy, Greg Meese, Joe MacDonald, and all others who helped distribute, load and deliver bags.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Form 1728 Annual Survey of fraternal Activity for 2018 was completed online and submitted on Jan 23 by FS.
- Bill Remy has 50 ticket books remaining for the state fundraiser at \$12 per book; our council receives half of the proceeds. All books must be sold by May 24th. He also has 50 "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets for purchase.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mark Hansen noted the new Knights of Columbus 'Building the Domestic Church' kiosk in the narthex. The kiosk is a collection of pamphlets focused on the issues and needs of living a faith-based life in ways that involve, strengthen and grow our parish family. The pamphlets in the kiosk are free, but a donation box might be a nice addition.
- John Richards invited the council to help with the Lenten Fish Fry this year. John Decknick noted the St. Augustine Lions Seafood Festival, March 22-24, at St. Francis field. Many volunteer jobs are available, and he is willing to submit our council for participation if desired.
- GK noted that the church would like for our council to support a St. Patrick's Day brunch fundraiser on March 17th. John Parkey agree to lead the effort.
- The church will host a blood drive during the weekend of 26-27 Jan. Need volunteers to assist with signing up participants.
- Bob Wesselman noted that the annual arts & crafts show is coming up. Revenue from this has historically been provided to the Missionaries of the Poor. The Wesselman's would like some help from the council on this event and could share in the proceeds.
- GK announced that the state convention in Orlando will be held 24-26 May. Need 2 primary and 2 alternate delegates.
- Dave Look noted that Tara Provini, coordinator at Catholic Charities, has agreed to speak at an upcoming social event to describe what they do and what we could do to help them in addition to our regular food drive support.

FOURTH DEGREE: No report.

FRATERNAL AGENT: No report.

DISTRICT DEPUTY: No report.

GOOD OF THE ORDER/Welfare &/or Distress:

- A memorial service for Brother Gene Behrends will be held Monday 28 Jan. at the 9 am Mass at St. Anastasia Catholic Church, St, Augustine. Immediately followed by an open house celebration at Gene and Sherry 's house at 5337 1st Street, St. Augustine, just south of the church. The Fourth Degree color Guard has been requested. A graveside service will be held the next day, Tuesday 29 Jan, at 4 PM at Jacksonville Memorial Gardens, 111 Blanding Blvd, Orange Park, FL 32073.
- Prayers requested for Francis Foy, Carol Mina and Tom Peckenham.

The closing prayer and ode were led by the GK. The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Submitted by: Rick Cozby

Approved by the members on Feb 28, 2019 per the Grand Knight.

Attested by *Rick Cozby*, Recorder