

K of C Meeting Minutes for St. Thomas More Council # 7121, Jun 27, 2019

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

A quorum of members was determined present (18 members) by the 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		— P Warden – Br. Alex Stamatelos
— X Chancellor – Br. Bill Remy		— X Outside Guard – Br. Brian Foy
— P Recorder – Br. Rick Cozby		— X Inside Guard – Br. Tommy Murphy
— P Financial Secretary – Br. Dave Look		— X Trustees – Br. Don Fox (1 year)
— P Treasurer – Br. Greg Meese		— P Br. Paul Doran (2 year)
— X Lecturer – Br. John Alexander		— P Br. Chuck Nitsch (3 year)

Dignitaries/visitors/new members: None.

The minutes from the May 23rd business meeting were approved as read.

Membership/Admissions/Initiations: None.

Grand Knight's Report: The GK provided an overview of the activities for the coming year as follows:

- Supreme Council has advised that, as of July 1, 2019, the old 4th degree regalia will NOT be worn under any circumstances. No exceptions.
- Social meetings will resume in January rather than in the fall, as there are already many activities scheduled for the fall quarter.
- The food drive schedule for the upcoming year has been established.
- Coffee and doughnuts after mass will begin in September.
- The Family Football Fest will be on November 2, 2019 in conjunction with the Florida-Georgia game.
- The Oktoberfest will be held on October 5, 2019 following the parish garage sale. It will be referred to as the Parish Picnic to emphasize the family-friendly nature of the event. All other aspects of an Oktoberfest will remain.
- The annual Memorial Mass will be held on November 3, 2019. Bob Wesselman agreed to take lead and secure the date.
- Veterans Day mass details are TBD.
- The Parish Christmas Party will be held December 14, 2019; Dave Look is the lead. This will also serve as the Council Christmas Party. We will seek to have a live band depending on price and availability. The Fish Fry Team will take lead for the food and is planning on baked ham as the main course. The team would appreciate a close-to-final head count a week in advance.
- The Father Seamus Scholarship Dinner will be held on January 31, 2020. No lead yet identified but the Hall should be booked ASAP.
- Lenten Fish Fries will take place as usual. The Council's primary role will be to collect the money and sell raffle tickets if desired.
- The SAMOPS Arts & Craft Show will take place in the spring as usual; Bob Wesselman is the lead.
- The St. Patrick's celebration will be on March 14, 2020; Bill Remy is the lead.
- The Corporate Communion event is TBD.

The GK concluded his report by noting that this was his last meeting as the GK. He thanked everyone for their support and encouraged others to consider serving as GK as he has found the job to be very rewarding and faith enhancing.

FINANCIAL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report: Brother Greg Meese reported that the balance in the Fr. Seamus Scholarship fund is \$13,128.36. Interest income was \$10.53 and expenses were \$1000 for St. Joseph Academy and \$4500 for Cathedral Parish School, leaving a balance of \$5500. The council checking account opened the month with a balance of \$4738.99. Income from the June social 50/50, Food for Families Reimbursement and Dues was \$1430.66; expenses for State Council Per Capital, the June social, supplies and mailing expenses was \$1279.83, leaving an ending balance of \$4889.82. A copy of the Treasurer's Report is enclosed.

Reading of Bills and Communications:

- Seminarian Filippo Schiavo sent a letter of thanks for the \$500 check from the council. Also, several thank you letters have come in from the Fr. Seamus scholarship winners. One of the scholarships was not accepted and the funds will be returned.

Financial Secretary: Council membership stands at 138, including 32 Honorary Life members and 2 inactive members. Membership dues are now due and 35 members have not yet paid; a second notice will go out on July 15th. The Food for Families form was submitted on May 21st and a refund check for \$500 was received and deposited. The State and Supreme Form 185 Lists of Officers for the 2019-2020 fraternal year have been submitted as was the Columbian Award Application Form SP-7. The Financial Secretary's records have been reconciled with Vystar Credit Union and should be ready for trustee audit in the July 15th timeframe. The actual vs. proposed budget for the upcoming fraternal year will be available by the end of July.

Trustees Report: No report.

Chancellor's Report on Vocations: On behalf of Bill Remy, John Parkey announced that a "Keep Christ in Christmas" lawn decoration will be available in two sizes, 2x2 feet and 4x4 feet and they sell for \$60 and \$120, respectively. Bill has asked the council to consider purchasing one of the signs to serve as a sales sample. Bob Wesselman moved to purchase one of the large signs and the motion carried.

SERVICE PROGRAMS and COMMITTEES:

Social: Tom Mina thanked Dave Look and his team for the excellent support of the Vacation Bible School lunch that was held on June 14th. The Grand Knight echoed the appreciation and noted that we are successful when we seek to fulfill the needs of the parish in deference to our own desires.

Bar Report: No report.

Coffee & Donuts: No report.

Food Drive Report: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Following up from the heads-up provided by the GK last month, the DGK noted that our support has been requested for the Respect Life Conference on October 12, 2019. Organizers expect up to 500 participants who will be accommodated via stadium seating in the Celebration Hall. The hall then needs to be converted for dinner seating for up to 300 attendees and there will only be about two hours available to make the conversion. The church is asking the council if it can assist with this conversion and provide a cash bar. Informal discussion indicated that providing the cash bar should not be a problem, but the room conversion will require the commitment of at least ten knights. The DGK is hesitant to agree to providing this support until he is confident that he can get enough knights to support.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The DGK asked for a couple for volunteers to assist in selecting the next Alter Server of the Year. Steve Barthelmes and Kevin Monroe volunteered.

- The installation of officers will be held on July 23, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. All officers are required to attend; spouses and guests are welcome.

FOURTH DEGREE: No report.

FRATERNAL AGENT: No report.

DISTRICT DEPUTY: No report.

GOOD OF THE ORDER/Welfare &/or Distress: Prayers are requested for Tom Drygas, who is still in rehabilitation, Francis Foy, who recently received the Last Rites, and Lee Stamatelos, who is recovering from illness.

The closing prayer and ode were led by the GK. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Submitted by: Rick Cozby

Approved by the members on July 25, 2019 per the Grand Knight.

Attested by *Rick Cozby*, Recorder

Council 7121 Treasurer's Report			
MAY23 - JUNE 27 2019			
Father Seamus O'Flynn Scholarship Fund Savings Account			
Membership Savings Account		\$ 5.00	
Father Seamus O'Flynn Scholarship Fund Money Market Account		\$13,128.36	
Interest (5/31)		\$10.53	
			\$13,138.13
St Joseph Academy		\$1,000	
Cathedral Parish School		\$4,500	
			\$5,500
Fund Balance			\$7,638.13
Council 7121 Checking Account			
Balance as of 4-25-2019			\$4,738.99
Income :			
Interest (5/31)		\$0.66	
BBQ 50/50 (1/2)		\$85.00	
Food for Families - Reimbursement		\$500.00	
Dues		\$805.00	
Lost Check Replacement		\$40.00	
			\$1,430.66
Expenses:			
Check Replacemeent		\$40.00	
Florida State Council Per Capita		\$1,034.40	
Chicken for BBQ		\$58.44	
Supreme Council Supplies		\$76.05	
Mailing Expense		\$70.94	
Total Expense for the Period			\$1,279.83
Balance as of 6-28-2019			\$4,889.82