

K of C Meeting Minutes for St. Thomas More Council # 7121, March 22, 2018

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

A quorum of members was determined present (13 members) by Warden Alex Stamatelos.

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

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

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| — P Grand Knight – Br. Tom Kelly | — | — P Advocate – Br. Bob Wesselman |
| — X Chaplain – Rev Fr Timothy Lindenfesler | | — P Warden – Br. Alex Stamatelos |
| — P DGK – Br. John Decknick | | — X Outside Guard – Br. Greg Meese |
| — X Chancellor – Br. Bill Remy | | — X Inside Guard – Br. Tommy Murphy |
| — P Recorder – Br. Dave Look | | — P Trustees – Br. Tom Peckenham (1 year), |
| — P-X Financial Secretary – Br. John Parkey | | — P Br. Don Fox (2 year) |
| — P Treasurer – Br. Paul Doran | | — A Br. Fred Hernandez (3 year) |
| — P Lecturer – Br. John Alexander | | |

Dignitaries/visitors/new members in attendance: Fraternal Agent Stan Hetrick

The opening ode was led by the DGK, followed by opening prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

The minutes from the February 22, 2017 business meeting were approved as read.

Membership/Admissions/Initiations: No report.

Grand Knight's Report: No First Degree tonight, difficulty getting all 3 candidates together at the same time. Tomorrow starts weekend #2 of tootsie rolls @ WinnDixie, 2 spots open tomorrow, 1 open on Saturday. Rick Cozby volunteered for 1-2 tomorrow, Bob Wesselman took 2-3 Friday. John Richards will do 2-3 Saturday.

FINANCIAL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report: – Br. Paul Doran reported the balance in the Fr. Seamus Fund to be \$14520.25. Treasurer's report showed income of \$65.17, expenses of \$1777.12, and balance of \$3819.72.

Reading of Bills and Communications: We received a small stack of solicitation form letters from local charitable organizations-Florida School for the Deaf & Blind, Sisters of St. Joseph, Special Olympics, and St. Johns Ecumenical Ministry Food Pantry. We will come up with a council budget to try to satisfy some of these requests.

Financial Secretary: No report.

Trustees Report: No report.

Chancellor's Report on Vocations: No report.

SERVICE PROGRAMS and COMMITTEES:

Social: Corned beef and cabbage dinner Mar 1 by chef Tom Peckenham was enjoyed by around 50 people. Other remaining socials Apr 5 – John & Sammi Decknick (pulled pork bbq); May 3-Don & Carol Ann Fox; Jun 7 – Fred Hernandez.

Bar Report: No report

Coffee & Donuts: Upcoming 2nd Sundays: Apr 8; NOT May 13 - Mother's Day; June 10

Food Drive Report: Collected over 3200 lb of food and \$1845(!!) in cash, checks, and gift cards. Final food drive of the fraternal year is May 12-13 and May 19-20. We received an offer from Karen Hensel, assistant director of St. Francis House, to speak at one of our socials. Motion made by Dave Look to invite the general parish, youth group, and St. Francis house donors to the June 7 dinner and program. Seconded by John Richards. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

April 2018 marks Council 7121's 40th anniversary of their charter, no special event planned. Election of delegates to state convention: Bob Wesselman and Bill Remy offered to attend as delegates, With John Decknick and Fred Hernandez as alternates. GK Tom Kelly made a motion to increase the delegate stipend from \$400 to \$500 for this convention. Seconded by John Richards. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

We have a Corporate Communion set for the 8:00 am Mass on Sunday May 6. Anybody want to be in charge of scheduling a breakfast afterwards?

Nomination of officers for the next fraternal year needs to be done. John Decknick has been the nominating committee of one for the last 3 years, will do it again with John Alexander offering to help.

Deacon George Murati is retiring Apr. 2, needs someone to volunteer to be flag ministry director, replace the flag every few months. The parish is planning some sort of retirement event, but details are TBD. "We should do something for him."

Church lock-up ministry needs volunteers to take on occasional 1-week shift, now down to 5 people.

Social Apr.5 will feature pulled pork barbecue by John and Sammie Decknick. Bring picnic-style side dishes.

Wording for the corridor plaque for the St. Enda Christian Formation Building will be:

Knights of Columbus

Council 7121

Charity Unity

Fraternity Patriotism

John Richards and Steve Barthelmes, who ran the parish fish fry, are willing to donate another seminarian sponsorship to the RSVP program and qualify for another rebate from Supreme. John Alexander added that Michael Hanes, one of our sponsored seminarians, is a graduate of St. Joseph Academy, his father is a local attorney, attended one of our scholarship award banquets. We can possibly invite to one of our socials when he is in town.

Bob Wesselman thanked all the Brothers who helped with the SAMOPS Arts & Craft Show, especially Brian Foy, Dan Donelin, Rick Cozby, Dave Look, and others. The help was much appreciated.

Paul Doran announced that there is only \$3800 in the checkbook, and we just this evening committed to spending at least \$1500, with another \$1000 due for state per capita assessment.

Bill Remy has a source for beautiful handmade rosaries, will coordinate presenting them to the parish new initiates with Denise Pressley.

FOURTH DEGREE: No report

FRATERNAL AGENT: Stan Hetrick introduced himself as the new fraternal agent for 7 councils in St. Augustine and Palm Coast. He is here to help us and our families, and wants to be invited to social meetings.

DISTRICT DEPUTY: No report

GOOD OF THE ORDER/Welfare &/or Distress: Ed & Nellie Mulvey; Tom Drygas post-knee surgery Lee Stamatelos is going in for back surgery, Bill Remy for knee surgery; Tom Peckenham also having problems.

The closing prayer and ode were led by the GK. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Submitted by:

Approved by the members on **April 26; 2018** per the Grand Knight.

Attested by *Dave Look*, Recorder

