

Knights of Columbus Meeting
Fr. Joseph Boylan, Jr. Council #15175
2/2/2016

Mary Jo Holt from St. Mary's School recognized the council for the donation of funds from the Tootsie Roll Drive for the Intellectual Disabled was conducted at the start of the meeting.

The Council was called to order at 7:15 pm with 16 members present.

The roll of officers was called and noted as follows (P – Present; A – Absent):

Chaplain (Father John Steffen)	P	Financial Secretary (Jeff Furler)	P	Inside Guard (Buddy Wallace)	A
Grand Knight (Jeff Lopez)	P	Treasurer (Tim Abel)	P	Outside Guard (Martin Culik)	P
Deputy Grand Knight (Joe Klingler)	A	Lecturer (Martin Culik)	P	Trustee (Tony McCauley)	P
Chancellor (Dan Lamboley)	A	Advocate (Steve Rudin)	P	Trustee (Rich Staley)	P
Recorder (Luke Filosa)	A	Warden (Terry Cochran)	A	Trustee (John Fruin)	P

The Opening Prayer was the "Our Father".

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all members present.

The minutes of the January 5, 2016 meeting were sent via email to the membership and provided at the meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Steve Rudin and 2nd by Jim Stangel. The motion passes by a vote of those members present.

The Grand Knight reported as follows:

- Fr. Greg Ketchum found and purchased a corpus for the church. A company from Chicago will create a cross for the corpus.
- Brian Bernhardt sent a "thank you" to the council for the recent donation and notes of encouragement. He also included some bookmarks for the membership.
- Thank you to all who participated in the 5th Sunday Rosary on January 31. Knights and other parishioners number about 20. The next 5th Sunday rosary will be held in May.
- The semiannual audit was conducted on January 26. The current membership of the council stands at 145 Knights – 53 insurance members and 92 associate members.
- The semiannual planning meeting will be held Tuesday, February 9 at 5:00.
- Night of Knights will take place on April 16 in Rock Island. Fr. John Steffen will be recognized at this year's event. Details of the even are to follow. It's possible that the council can use a CCHS mini-bus to transport Knights to the event.
- Sign-up is still open for the pre-Lent Pancake and Sausage breakfast on February 7 and for all of the Lenten Fish Frys starting February 12.

The Chaplain reported as follows:

- The Men's Lenten Reflection will begin February 12. The reflections will be shared between Father John and Father Greg.

The Treasurer reported as follows:

Beginning Balance	\$18,912.81
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Cash Receipts:

Council Dues	\$ 1,160.00
Misc.	<u>\$ 205.80</u>
Total	\$ 1,365.80

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Cash Disbursements:

Colene Hoose Special Ed-ID Drive Supplement	\$ 276.46
The Catholic Post Christmas Ad	\$ 35.00
Alan McDowell-Men's Reflection doughnuts	\$ 17.00
Knight of Columbus – Supreme	\$ 156.80
Commerce Bank Avanti's Audit meeting	<u>\$ 31.71</u>
Total	\$ 516.97

Balance (available) \$19,761.64

- A motion to approve the January 2016 Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Guy DiCiaula the motion is 2nd by Rich Staley. The motion passes by a vote of those members present.

Financial Secretary's report:

- 50 member have paid their due 2016 dues
- Working on filing a renewal of the council's tax exempt status with the IRS.

The Chancellor reported:

- Still looking to do a 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree ceremony in March. Further details will be shared once they are known.

The following committees reported:

Activities

- Sign up is still open for the Pre-Lent Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday, February 7, 2016 at the Parish.
- John Fruin reminded the members of the Men's March taking place in Peoria on Saturday, April 23.

Programs – Martin Culik

- First Friday will be held on February 5 and then every Friday in Lent.

Unfinished business was taken up and disposed of as follows:

- Sonogram machine - still in a holding pattern waiting to hear.
- Friday Fish Fry during Lent will start on Friday, February 12. As was done last year the first Friday will be for Corpus Christi Elementary School. The remaining Fridays will be in partnership with Mom's Morning Out, Boy's Scout Troop, and a 4-H Group. We are still looking for two groups to partner with us. Beer distribution will be done by our Council this year and will be distributed from the window in the kitchen. The fish used for the meals was "on sale" from the distributor, saving the council \$40/case. Notices promoting the Fish Fry were sent to other local parishes requesting inclusion in their Sunday bulletins.

The following new business was brought up:

- GK Jeff Lopez brought up the budgeted donations, requesting a motion from the floor to distribute the following:
 - Birthright - \$500
 - B-N TEC - \$500
 - CCHS Fr. Jerry Ward Scholarship Fund - \$1000
 - St. Vincent de Paul Society - \$500
 - Christ Child Society - \$200

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Guy DiCiaula moved that the donations be distributed; Carl Blomquist seconded the motion. John Fruin raised a point of order that distributions of greater than \$500 had to be presented at 2 meetings. It was noted that the budget had been approved at an earlier meeting. The motion was amended to include "as budgeted". The amendment was accepted by Guy and Carl. The motion passes by a vote of those members present.

District Deputy reported as follows:

- District Deputy Dave Newmeister addressed the Council to go over a few items:
 - Star Councils will again receive a \$4.50 rebate for each billable member on their rosters at the end of the fraternal year.
 - Financial support for any Boy Scout Troop must be approved by the Pastor starting on December 31, 2015.
 - The preferred method is to have Councils associated with a parish rather than a "Home Association" or "Club" Councils.

Closing Prayer with was the "Hail Mary".

Respectfully Submitted by,
Tony McCauley for Luke Filosa, Recorder