

MEETING: 5 July 2018

Council was called to order at: 6:30 pm by: GK. Prayer was offered by: GK.

The roll of officers was called and noted as follows (P-Present, A-Absent, E-

Excused, V-Vacant): Chaplain: E

Grand Knight: P

Deputy Grand Knight: A

Chancellor: A Recorder: E

Financial Secretary: P

Treasurer: P
Lecturer: A
Advocate: P
Warden: P
Inside Guard: P
Outside Guard: A
Trustee (3rd Yr.): E
Trustee (2nd Yr.): P
Trustee (1st Yr.): P

There were also three non-officer members present at the meeting: Paul Osemene, James Gunter and Bill Ranson.

The Minutes of the previous meeting: Minutes for June business meeting as published on line on the Council's website was approved.

Membership Report: Chancellor was not present - there was no report.

The Grand Knight reported as follows:

- Budget The Budget as prepared by the budget committee including the financial secretary and grand knight was thoroughly discussed. Attached hereto is a copy of the draft budget as discussed. After the discussions, some proposed revisions to the budget were proposed including (a) eliminating some of the pass through expenses like the convention seed money which is \$200 expense and a \$200 income; (b) including \$250 for the father's day bar-b-que (this last event costs\$530 and we received \$207 in donations the volunteers at the bar-b-que expressed concern that they were vey busy and it was explained that Fathers' Day this past year conflicted with a boy scout event and thus resulted in us loosing many of the usual Knight volunteers) and (c) other expenses were included in the budget. The GK proposed to increase the dues from \$36 per year to \$48 per year. The members had a discussion and felt that increasing the dues might discourage participation and that we wanted to encourage participation more than raise the funds. The financial secretary agreed to post the new budget on line so that it could be voted upon at the next meeting.
- Fund Raising the GK discussed the possibility of having a wine tasting as a new fund raiser. Bill Ranson has been investigating this fund raiser with the assistance of the GK. The idea would be to do the wine tasting as a fund raiser for the seminarians instead of the traditional pancake breakfast. Ron has reached out to Total Wines and they have agreed to host the wine tasting and lead the discussion of the wines during the tasting. They have agreed to do this at no cost and to provide discount coupons to the attendees as an additional incentive to attend the tasting. It was estimated that to give 30 people a taste, two bottles would be needed. They proposed to do a tasting of 8 different wines for the thirty people and we would need to purchase the 16 bottles. The bottles would

average \$20 per bottle and thus if we had 30 people we would need to spend \$320 for the wine. Bill also discussed the possibility that Total Wine would provide souvenir glasses for the tasting. It was discussed about cheeses and food for the tasting and the GK indicated that the menu was still in the development stage. The wine tasting is presently proposed for August 25, 2018 after the Saturday evening mass. Some members expressed concern about the status of the planning for the wine tasting. The GK indicated that he would provide greater detail at the August meeting.

- The Events calendar:
  - Rob McBurney is working on the next 1<sup>st</sup> Degree
  - October on the 7<sup>th</sup> we will have the breakfast for the Blood Drive; we will be selling tickets for the Boy Scout barb-b-que sales and we will likely have the raffle for St. Joseph School.
  - November begin Christmas Tree Sales, hand out grocery bags for the St. Vincent de Paul society, and all souls reception.
  - December collect groceries for St. Vincent de Paul, deliver Christmas Trees.
  - January pro-life march, other pro-life events including a possible pro-life breakfast, start selling super bowl bar-b-que tickets, financial audit.
  - February cook and deliver of bar-b-que.
  - March Ash Wednesday and Shrove Tuesday, lent begins
  - April Easter is 21<sup>st</sup> Lenten soup diner.
  - May 12 is Mothers' Day.

The Treasurer reported as follows: Provided by Rob Wiggs.

Checking balance: \$6,360.34Savings balance: \$7,092.33

The following communications were read: None.

Financial Secretary report: Provided by FS.

Vouchers: 4 vouchers for total of \$845.40
Receipts: 2 receipts for total of \$271.00

The Trustees reported as follows: by John Long.

- Audit is scheduled for July 24, 2018.
- The trustee have received 45 names of members that were in arrears in their dues. They have contacted 20 and focused on getting the members to become more involved rather than focusing on the dues issue. Messages have been left for others. 2 of the members contacted came to this nights meeting. In addition, 1 member paid by credit card and 2 others promised to pay by credit card in the near future. The trustees are working on the list. The financial secretary mentioned the possibility of getting a disability waiver and the process for getting that waiver.

Report on Service: DG K discussed upcoming Operation HOPE

drive for this fall. The Chancellor reported as follows:

Chancellor was absent - No report.

The following committees reported:

- Membership: None.
- Fundraising: None.
- · Youth: None Tom Militello.was absent.
- Community: None.
- Family and Council Committee. None.

Church: None.Retention: None.

Discussion on Council Calendar: Included in GK report.

New business was taken up and disposed as follows: None.

Report of Patriotic Degree: Sam Kopack was absent - no report.

The Insurance Agent reported as follows. Insurance agent was not present - no report.

The District Deputy reported as follows:

- · There are new guidelines for the Knights of Columbus. They will be referred to as Faith in Action.
- Instead of 6 categories there will be 4 categories with 8 sub-items in each category.
- The focus will be on more prayer, and more church involvement.
- · The booklets should be delivered soon and should be available for distribution at the next meeting.
- July 21<sup>st</sup> will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree installation at Corpus Christie
- · July 28 will be the GK workshop
- If we get 8 members by December 31, the state counsel will prepare a breakfast for us.

Announcements: None.

Knights in Distress:

 Please keep the following Brothers in your prayers: Lester Johnson, Damien Masse, Johnny Nix, William Gatling, Bernard Corbett, Sam Kopack, Albeto Alvarez, and Terry McWaters.

Under the good of the Order: The Lecturer was absent. The Financial Secretary wanted to thank the Grand Knight for all of his efforts and for all of his good will. The Financial Secretary mentioned the feeling of community, fellowship and friendship brought by the Grand Knight in his recommendation to have a dinner, with family, after the installation of officers. The message was received with a round of applause as a sign of gratitude for all that the Grand Knight is doing for our order.

Chaplain's summation: None.

Closing prayer was offered by: GK al 8:20 pm.

Attest.

Richard R. Gleissner, Advocate and Temporary Recorder.

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## Financial Secretary's Report 5 July 20 18

Receipts:	
1) Father's Day Donations	207.00
2) Dues & Initiation Fees	64.00
TOTAL	271.00
Vouchers:	
1) Mother's Day Brunch Expenses	204.24
2) Robert Startz - Officer's Dinner June	67.53
3) Father's Day Expenses (Sam's Club)	532.00
4) Robert Startz – Budget Meeting	41.63
TOTAL	845.40