

**Knights of Columbus
Terence Cardinal Cooke Council #8495
Business Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2008**

Call to Order

The Grand Knight brought the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. in the council chambers with 32 members present. The roll of officers was called and it is attached.

Corrections to Previous Meeting Minutes

The Grand Knight announced that the Meeting Minutes of December 10, 2007 were posted to the website. He asked if there were any changes to the Minutes as published. There were none. The GK accepted a motion for approval. Motion was made, seconded, voted on and passed.

Report of Admissions Committee

There were two requests for transfers into our Council: Scott Earwood and Felix Quiñones. Both transfers were accepted unanimously by the membership present.

Grand Knight's Report

1. The GK offered thanks to all that assisted with the events during the past month.
2. A 2nd Degree Exemplification is scheduled for January 27 in Statesboro. All are encouraged to come out and support the Brother Knights that will be advancing to this degree.
3. A 1st Degree Exemplification will be held on Wednesday, January 16 at Council 677 on Monte Sano Avenue. Please come out to meet and support the new members.
4. Next officers' meeting will be on Sunday, February 3, at John Vigna's residence. All officers should attend. Directions to John's house will be provided later.
5. Next business meeting will be February 11, 2008, in the Annex Building, upstairs. All members are encouraged to attend and get involved. Please pass the word to members not present.
6. The GK announced that he nominated Carlos and Brenda Collazo as the Family of the Month for January 2008.
7. The GK announced that he nominated James "Chip" Harris as the Knight of the Month for January.
8. The GK announced that Steve Crawford had accepted the vacancy of Communications Director. He will be responsible for disseminating information via letters, flyers, etc. Please render your assistance to Steve in any way possible.

9. The GK presented a 1st Degree certificate to Bill Piddy.

Chaplain's Report

No report.

Treasurer's Report

1. The balance in the account is \$6,174.22.
2. Expenses for the month were \$888.42 and receipts were \$1,949.52.

Reading of Communications

1. The GK informed those present that a bill was received for \$950.00 to support the SNAC program on their trip to the Diocese to attend the Youth Conference in St. Simons Island on January 26 and 27. It will support 10 of our youth at \$95.00 each. This expense was discussed at the December 2007 meeting and the vote was tabled because the expense is over \$500. The GK asked for a vote to approve the motion that was tabled the previous month. Approval was unanimous.

Financial Secretary's Report

1. We are in good standing with Supreme. We received a bill for tax and catholic advertising. This assessment is done on a per capita basis. The tax is \$375.92 and the catholic advertising is \$107.50. In addition we have a bill for \$113.22 for supplies and \$39.00 for "Guide to Confession" booklets (1,000) that Fr. Michael asked for the Church. We will be sending a check to Supreme for \$635.64.
2. The dues for the coming year will be \$36.00. Notices were mailed out in December. All members are requested to mail payment on time to avoid the cumbersome process of collection and/or suspension of membership. Also do not forget to complete the survey for volunteer hours and return it with your dues. If not with the dues, please forward to Bob Hoeppe as soon as possible. Second notices will go out at the end of January for those members that are in arrears.
3. The State determined that the revenue received from dues is not enough to reimburse delegates who attend the State Convention each year. Therefore, the State has increased their assessment to the Councils. The per capita will rise from \$4.50 to \$8.50 per year. These dollars come out of the dues paid to the State. Our Council normally pays expenses incurred by our delegates. In essence, our Council will have to pay less money; therefore, it is almost a wash. As result of this new assessment, this year our Council will have to send a check to State for \$1,810.50.

Report of Auditors/Trustees

No report.

Chancellor's Report on Vocations

Thanks to all members that have sent extra money with their dues for the Seminarian Fund account. Members have been generous this year. So far almost \$1,200.00 have been received. This supports 4 seminarians at \$500.00 per year (\$125.00 each quarter). We receive \$100.00 back from Supreme for every \$500.00 that we send to the seminarians. Four checks will be written tonight for the 4 seminarians that we are currently supporting. This is the 3rd quarter of the fraternal year and the balance in the account is \$1,336.34.

Membership Director's Report

No report.

Program Director's Report

An email was sent to all informing of the new events calendar through June 2008. Please consult the calendar and see which events you can support by volunteering. Any questions, contact Aaron Wahus.

Church Director's Report

A rosary and mass will be conducted to remember the Roe v. Wade decision to legalize abortion. The rosary will be on Monday, January 21, at 6:30 followed by a mass at 7:00. Volunteers are being sought for reading of the decades and for Eucharistic Minister duties. Joe Soparas is the coordinator.

Community Director's Report

1. Annotate your calendars for next roadside cleanup that will be on March 8. Larry Dreilling needs assistance in this area. The more that come out, the faster the task gets done.
2. Sometime in April the Council will conduct the Annual Tootsie Roll Drive. All collections will benefit the Special Olympics. We have always done well in this fund raiser. Please continue to support this drive by volunteering your time.

Council Director's Report

No report.

Family Director's Report

No report.

Youth Director's Report

1. This position is vacant. If anyone would like to direct the youth activities, please see Joe Kise or Aaron Wahus. It is important to support our youth. Please guide your thoughts to this area and see if you would like to be the Youth Director.

2. The next activity will be the Basketball Shootout. Since the Director's position is vacant, a volunteer is requested to take the lead for this activity. It would be appreciated. The lead will not have to do this alone, assistance will be available.
3. There will be an Art Auction on February 9. The youth are conducting it. Tickets are \$7 per person. However, the youth receive more revenue by "attendance" numbers. Please by ticket(s), but most of all, make a concerted effort to attend this function. It will provide additional monetary benefit to the youth of the Church.
4. There is tentative Spaghetti dinner scheduled for March 29. Details have not been finalized.
5. On February 5th we will conduct the annual Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper. We need volunteers to help set up, collect money, cook, and clean up.
6. The first Fish Dinner for the Lenten Season will be on February 8th. Need volunteers to help set up, collect money, cook, and clean up.

Home Company Report

1. The balance of the Home Company funds is \$46,109.81 (Checking \$11,940.06 and Ameriprise CDs \$34,169.75).
2. We are continuing to work with the Church and Diocese on drawing a suitable agreement for utilization of land on campus.

Roundtable Report

1. The balance in the account is \$758.91.
2. There is a new coordinator for the Round Table.
3. Sacred Heart has a new priest who is not a Knight but wants to join. He will be at the next 1st Degree Exemplification.
4. One or two fish fries are being planned for the Lenten Season.

State Convention Committee

1. We have received the packet. This year's convention is here in Augusta on May 15-18. Keep these dates in mind. Lots of volunteers are required to stage this function.
2. Delegates to the convention need to be named/elected at the February business meeting.
3. John Vigna needs assistance in setting up and conducting the golf tournament that will be a part of the convention package. This event will take place at the River Course (North Augusta) on Friday, May 16, with a shotgun start at 9:00 a.m.

Father O'Brien Memorial Committee

We have spent \$350.00 from the fund. We are working to get additional funds from the Church, possibly \$1,800. Need volunteers to assist setting up the various activities (horseshoe, basketball, additional picnic tables, etc.).

Resolutions Committee

A Resolution of Condolence was offered to Sandy Bonsecur on Sunday at the memorial service.

Unfinished Business

Shirts are in. See Benie Bobo. Two shirts are on back order.

New Business

Chuck Bonsecur requested that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Knights of Columbus building fund. We have received \$325 that will be transferred to the building fund account.

Report of the 4th Degree

1. Next meeting will be on January 21st at the Council 677 building, Monte Sano Avenue.
2. The Faithful Navigator meeting will be on February 9th.

Field Agent's Report

No report.

District Deputy Report

No report.

Prayers for Sick and Distressed

A list was circulated for update. The GK lead the members in prayer.

The Good of the Order

1. Study sessions will be conducted on Wednesdays during Lent. All sessions start at 6:25 p.m.
2. A lecture was offered to the members present. The gist was to accept God's plan and gifts given to us, whether we believe to be bad or good, and trust that God knows best.

Chaplain's Summation

Continue to pray for the sick and the needy and continue to do God's work.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:59

Respectfully Submitted

Carlos Collazo, Recorder
January 4, 2008

**Roll of Officers
Terence Cardinal Cooke Council 8495
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Grand Knight	Joe Kise	Present
Deputy Grand Knight	Aaron Wahus	Present
Chancellor	Chris Algeo	Excused
Recorder	Carlos Collazo	Present
Treasurer	John Vigna	Present
Advocate	Tom Howe	Present
Warden	Brent Allen	Present
Inside Guard	Bill Kulovitz	Excused
Outside Guard	Jon Lundeen	Present
Trustee, 3 Year	Mark Chapin	Excused
Trustee, 2 Year	Tim Bair	Excused
Trustee, 1 Year	Bryan Tuschen	Present
Financial Secretary	Bob Hoeppel	Present
Chaplain	Fr. Michael Roverse	Excused
Lecturer	Chris Eckert	Present