

**Knights of Columbus
Terence Cardinal Cooke Council #8495
Business Meeting Minutes
November 11, 2007**

Call to Order

The Grand Knight brought the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers with 26 members present. The roll of officers was called and it is attached.

Corrections to Previous Meeting Minutes

The Grand Knight asked for any changes to the Meeting Minutes for October. There were none. The GK then entertained a motion to dispense with reading of the minutes and be approved as published. Motion made, seconded and voted on. Motion passed with one **NO** vote.

Report of Admissions Committee

Three new applications for membership were presented by the Finance Secretary. Two were for transfers and one new. Transfers: Larry Colbert and Robert Ambach from Pennsylvania. New: Fr. Chistian Alimaji from Waynsboro (resident at Sacred Heart. Motion was made by the FS to accept, seconded and voted on. Motion passed.

Grand Knight's Report

1. The GK offered thanks to all that assisted with the events during the past month.
2. There will be a 1st Degree exemplification on Thursday, November 29. The GK requested that each make the effort to attend and support the team as well as the newcomers.
3. Next officers' meeting will be on December 2nd, at noon. Meeting place will be at John Anchors residence. All officers need to attend.
4. Next business meeting will be December 10, 2007 in the Annex Building, upstairs.
5. The GK yielded the floor to the Parish Council President, Bobby Christine, to address the subject of building the council's "home" on the Church property. First, Bobby thanked all of the Knights that assisted in preparing and serving dinner to the Bishop and his guests during the Bishop's last visit to St. Teresa. Then Bobby stated that the Bishop had agreed to revisit the "on campus" issue; however, Bobby warned that we should be cautiously optimistic. Bobby had an extensive conversation with Bishop Boland in which he expressed that he is now open to allow the Council to build on the church's property. There are, however, some caveats: 1) Any structure will become the Diocese's property should the Council be permanently dissolved; 2) A document has to be drawn, that would be similar to a lease agreement, to stipulate all the requirements; 3) such agreement should ensure the protection of, both, the interests of the Diocese and the interests of the Council projected well into the future. The Bishop directed

Bobby to draft such agreement that would be acceptable to the Bishop and to the Council. Bobby stated that he will ask Jerry Baine to assist him because Jerry has extensive experience in the business environment.

6. The GK handed out certificates to new members:
Peter Quinn and Andrew Justice – 1st and 2nd Degrees
Benne Bobo and Carl Heismein – 1st Degree

Chaplain's Report

No report.

Treasurer's Report

1. The balance in the account is \$6,344.76.
2. Expenses for the month were \$2,275.70 and receipts were \$2,763.77.

Reading of Communications

A note of "thanks" from Fr. Michael was read. He expressed heartfelt thanks the Council for the excellent dinner for the Bishop and for the 4th Degree Color Guard's participation in the Confirmation ceremony.

Financial Secretary's Report

We are in good standing with Supreme; no balance is due. Supreme has suggested the "Adopt a Council" program aimed at helping other Councils in need.

Report of Auditors/Trustees

No report.

Chancellor's Report on Vocations

1. A note was received and read from one of the seminarians thanking the Council for its financial support. He was very appreciative.
2. The balance in the seminarian fund account is \$448.51.
3. Four more quarterly payments were made. Members were reminded to send extra dollars when they send payments for the dues. The additional money goes into the seminarian fund account. The Financial Secretary affirmed that Supreme sends \$100 to the Council for every \$500 that we send to the seminarians.

Membership Director's Report

As of November 1 the quota for new members was 11, we have a net of 2. The quota for insurance was 5, we have a net of 3 for 60%.

Program Director's Report

1. The website has the information on forthcoming activities. The website is being kept up to date by Aaron Wahus and Joe Kise. Please visit the website often.
2. Volunteers are needed for forthcoming events:
 - a. Keep Christ in Christmas sales. Chip Harris is the lead.
 - b. Thanksgiving dinner at the Church. John Anchor is the lead.
 - c. Rectory clean-up on Saturday, November 24, from 8:30 to noon. Bob Hoeppel is the lead.
 - d. Roadside clean-up on Saturday, December 1, starting at 9:00 a.m. Larry Dreiling is the lead.
 - e. Breakfast with St. Nick on Saturday, December 8. Lead is Bryan Tuschen.
3. Aaron Wahus thanked all who assisted with the Confirmation Dinner for the Bishop.

Church Director's Report

Pietro DeGuerrero thanked all who assisted with the Veteran's Day mass. There was good attendance and participation.

Community Director's Report

No report

Family Director's Report

No report.

Council Director's Report

1. John Anchor reported that the Christmas Block sales are going well. They are being sold in conjunction with the Keep Christ in Christmas cards and are stored in the same place. The sale price is \$20.
2. John also reported that the Christmas Party will be on Saturday December 15 at 7:00 p.m. We need a few volunteers for this activity to discuss menu and other items.

Youth Director's Report

1. The Soccer Challenge was conducted. Three of the youth advanced to State level and one will be heading to the National level.
2. The next activity will be Breakfast with St. Nicholas on December 8.
3. The balance in the account is \$1,800.
4. The "Free Throw" challenge will be in late January.

Home Company Report

1. The Home Company audit was turned in.
2. The balance in all accounts is \$39,532.57 as of last statement in Ameriprise.
3. The Car Show was a success. We already have some sponsors lined up for next year as well as three pre-registered cars. We are going to obtain a Motor News subscription at a cost of \$40 to improve our advertising.
4. Tim Bair was excused from this meeting; therefore, there was no report on the status of the sale of the condo.

Roundtable Report

1. The Roundtable is taking orders for the 3rd Annual Deep-Fried Turkey. Price is \$30 per turkey cooked.
2. A motion was made to reimburse the Roundtable \$24.35 for a Halloween care package sent to Iraq. The motion was seconded, voted on, and passed.

State Convention Committee

1. Next committee meeting will be on December 1.
2. The golf tournament will be at the River Course in North Augusta on Friday, June 16. It will be combined with the Annual Father "D" Golf Tournament. Entry fee will be \$50.
3. The selling of shirts has been lined up. The provider will be the same as last years. They need a 2-week leeway to produce the shirts. Price will be approximately \$33. Need to determine the amount to be sold to recover costs.
4. The River Course has 2 new cottages with 4 bedrooms each. Price is \$75 per night, double occupancy. This needs to be disseminated to those that will be coming to the convention.
5. A suggestion was made to obtain one of the cottages to use as a hospitality suite for one evening. Comments were made that it may not be advisable because normally people move between hospitality rooms and the River Course would isolated from the rest. This suggestion will be further discussed at the December 1st meeting.

Keep Christ in Christmas Committee

1. Card sales were started during the Oktoberfest event.
2. Volunteers are needed to sell cards during all of the masses. This will take place until the second week in December.

Father O'Brien Memorial Committee

A meeting was held with Fr. Michael. He was interested in how the proposals will fit in with the Mothers Day Out process and the State rules for playground structures and activities. The Parish Council will investigate this area. Facility for multiple activities was

discussed (such as volleyball courts, basketball goals and picnic tables); however, funding is short. It will require approximately \$1800 and we have \$606 in the account. Most of the activities will be concentrated in the proximity of the Annex Building because of the “temporary” nature. When the building goes, the facilities will also go. Discussions will continue with Parish Council and Finance Council on the feasibility of the proposal.

Resolutions Committee

We have a proclamation issued to the family of our departed Brother Knight Romano Bailo. The Recorder, Carlos Collazo, will present it to the family at the funeral mass.

Unfinished Business

1. Various designs for “Keep Christ in Christmas” buttons were created by Steve Crawford’s wife. The designs were passed around for choosing and returned to Steve to proceed with production.
2. Council shirts can be ordered. See Aaron Wahus if interested. Price is \$30 each.
3. The plaque for Father D’s sword was received. It will be mounted on the back wall.

New Business

1. Pietro DeGuerrero suggested that the Council prepare a care package to send to Brother Knight Bill Kulovitz who is working in Iraq. Brother Bill is a very active member of the Council as well as a volunteer for church activities. A motion was made on the floor to approve up to \$125 dollars to cover cost and shipping. Motion was seconded, discussed and vote on. Motion passed. Brother Pietro will spearhead purchase of items and the timely shipping to Iraq. Also a suggestion was made for this to be a “Knights” only care package. Therefore, a container was passed around to collect money for the care package. A total of \$174 was collected. The surplus over the motion amount will be retained in the account for future care packages.
2. Don DeClue reminded everyone that next November is the 25th anniversary of the Council. A committee will be formed later to develop and organize activities to celebrate the anniversary.

Report of the 4th Degree

1. The Color Guard participated in 5 activities during the past two weeks:
 - a. Memorial mass at St. Joseph
 - b. Two Confirmation masses at St. Teresa and at St. Mary’s
 - c. Veteran’s Day mass at St. Teresa
 - d. Veteran’s Day mass at St. Mary’s

The activities at St. Mary’s lacked support by members of the Color Guard, only 2 showed up for the Veteran’s Day mass at St. Mary’s.

2. The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 19 at the 677 Council building on Monte Sano Avenue.

3. Certificates were awarded to all who completed 4th Degree exemplification during the past year.

Field Agent's Report

New package is being mailed to insured. Please review and make decision as to eligibility and requirements then get in touch with Pierre LeFort or, if can make contact, then will get you in touch with Tim McCarthy to connect you with another agent.

District Deputy Report

Tim Squarcette thank Bryan Tuschen for conducting the Soccer Challenge and for leading the forthcoming "Free Throw" competition. He awarded the Shining Armor Award to Jon Lundeen.

The Good of the Order

The Lector, Chris Eckert, presented a lecture on "Make my life a blessing." He used parts of the scriptures related to Abraham and how he lived a life that should be an inspiration to all. Chris stated that we should all strive to help others as did Abraham. Chris challenged everyone to not be a bystander but to use every opportunity to help others. In doing so our lives would be fulfilled with faith and blessing from God.

Prayers for Sick and Distressed

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

Chaplain's Summation

Read by the GK.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:54.

Respectfully Submitted

Carlos Collazo, Recorder
November 30, 2007

**Roll of Officers
Terence Cardinal Cooke Council 8495
August 13, 2007**

Grand Knight	Joe Kise	Present
Deputy Grand Knight	Aaron Wahus	Present
Chancellor	Chris Algeo	Present
Recorder	Carlos Collazo	Present
Treasurer	John Vigna	Present
Advocate	Tom Howe	Present
Warden	Brent Allen	Excused
Inside Guard	Bill Kulovitz	Excused
Outside Guard	Jon Lundeen	Present
Trustee, 3 Year	Mark Chapin	Present
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