

# Meeting Minutes

## March 6, 2016

### Knights of Columbus #12985

- The Regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm
- Opening prayers were offered by WGK Kodi

**Roll call: O = Officer's Meeting, R = Regular Meeting**

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Chaplain: Fr. P. Omogo		P	Financial Sec: B. Snowdin		P	Inside Guard: L. Conard		A
Grand Knight: K. Schulist		P	Treasurer: G. Horn		P	Outside Guard: R. Spoelhof		P
Deputy GK: J. Duff		P	Lecturer: K. Munson		P	Trustee (3 <sup>rd</sup> Yr): C. Grattafiori		A
Chancellor: C. Cumings		N/A	Advocate: M. Schulist		P	Trustee (2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr): S. Nagengast		E
Recorder: G. Greiner		P	Warden: J. Paszkowski		P	Trustee (1 <sup>st</sup> Yr): A. Greiner		P

### Regular Meeting:

- **Reading of minutes:**
  - Excerpts from the January 31 Fraternal Benefits meeting were read with no corrections.

### The Grand Knight reported on the following:

- There was a very brief discussion regarding new candidates, with no new vetting.

Candidate	KC Sponsor	Vetted date
Ed Gallitz	Bob Hyatt	12/07/2014
Matt DeYoung	Mike Schulist	02/08/2015
James Perigard Jr.	Mike O'Leary	04/12/2015
Dennis Blankenship	John Duff	04/12/2015
Bob Powers	Bob Hyatt	11/01/15
John Wade	David Pernesky	11/01/15
Jimmy Luttrell		11/01/15

- The next 1<sup>st</sup> Degree will be on Sunday, April 3rd, at 5:30 pm in Room 3.
- The next council meeting is on Sunday, April 3rd, at 7:00 pm in Room 3.
- The next officers meeting is on Sunday, May 1st, at 6:00 pm in Room 3.
- The next council meeting is on Sunday, May 1st, at 7:00 pm in Room 3.
- The next 1<sup>st</sup> Degree will be on Sunday, June 5th, at 5:30 pm in Room 3.
- The next council meeting is on Sunday, June 5th, at 7:00 pm in Room 3.

- There will be a Major Degree at St. Vincent's in Pentwater on March 13<sup>th</sup> and in Muskegon at Prince of Peace on March 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - Tyler Cumings is planning to attend a major degree.
  - JR Savoie / FS Bill Snowdin need to know how many will attend. JR will be cooking and needs to know how many to plan for.
- Thank you to Joe Tackx for an excellent Fraternal Benefits presentation on January 31, 2016.
- Our council needs a Chancellor – Tasks include some communication with seminarians and events tied to vocations.
- GK Kodi went to the Tri District Meeting and found that other councils are struggling to meet their membership quotas. RCIA can produce new member's ready to practice their faith and join our council.

**The Chaplain reported as follows:**

- Fr. Peter reported that he counted 51 worthy causes that we are supporting with our Fish Fry efforts. That DGK John Duff has been a huge lot to help the parish the last several months in the parish offices and with implementing new technology improvements throughout the campus, amongst many other things.

**The results of the Annual Election balloting were as follows:** N/A

**The Council conferred the following degrees:** N/A

**The Treasurer reported:**

- George Horn reported a check book balance of \$22,113.66.
  - George also noted that he is making deposits for the: Fish Fry, 50/50, 40K raffle, etc  
If you make a deposit, George and Bill need to know: When, how much, and what it is for.
- Allen Greiner noted the importance of there being receipts for all deposits and good methods of recording transactions for bi-yearly audit purposes.
  - DGK John noted that we now have four money counters, double counting the FF money.
  - Deposit slip, Account Number, Amount and SSB put on the deposit bags.
  - George verifies copy of all counting and tally's verified against SSB statement.

**The following bills were read and referred:** N/A

**The following communications were read:** N/A

**Financial Secretary Report, Bill Snowdin:**

- FS Bill reviewed the FS Report with those in attendance.
- The third and final dues notice will be going out soon.
- 110 members of 143 have paid their dues.

## Financial Secretary Report – March 1, 2016

**Payables:**      **Generated Vouchers**      **\$ 8,204.83**      **since last meeting.**

Amount	Recipient	Payment / Donation for :
\$ 500.00	St. James SCRIP	fish fry supplies at Plumbs and Walmart purchased with SCRIP
\$ 265.00	Auto Owner's Insurance	CY 2016 coverage (2-14-2016 to 2-14-2017) Acct: 012115195
\$ 50.00	RLM Conference Book Committee	Ad in their Fall 2016 Conference booklet
\$ 425.00	Quality Sound	Valentine's Dance music entertainment
\$ 1,240.00	Tom Bart	Reimburse for fish fry expenses: cash registers, paint, brackets, shelves, hardware,
\$ 3,262.15	Gordon's Food service	Initial supplies for Fish Fry 2016
\$ 713.00	Midwest Fish Sales, LLC	Saltine crackers
\$ 200.00	Bill Karchinski	Valentine's dinner catering
\$ 50.00	Jim Dingman	State Convention Booklet ad for the district - 2016
\$ 174.90	Charles H. Grattafiori	Reimbursement for cabinet purchased for KC Shirts
\$ 332.50	St. James Parish Youth Group	donation for services at 2016 Valentine's Dance
\$ 992.28	Bill Karchinski	reimbursement for food at 2016 Valentine's Dance

**Receipts:**      **Deposited Monies:**      **\$ 11,617.50**      **since last meeting**

From (Source)	Amount	Comment
Dues 2016; Donation; Take 5; shirt	670.00	Monthly donation from Ron Spring. 2016 dues from various members. 1 new shirts sold
40K Fundraiser	1400.00	2/13/2016 \$300; 2/20/2016 \$500; 2/27/2016 \$600;
Valentine's Dance; 50/50	2332.50	Valentine's Dance Proceeds
Spaghetti Dinner	7075.00	Proceeds of dinner donations and 50/50 sales
Dues 2016; Take 5	140.00	2016 dues from various members and Take 5

<b>Balance: Knights Books</b>	<b>\$ 19,479.66</b>	
<b>K of C Reserve</b>	<b>\$ 961.00</b>	<b>Council Buffer Set Aside</b>
<b>Good Cause / Needy Mbr</b>	<b>\$ 413.00</b>	<b>Donations</b>
<b>40K Fundraiser</b>	<b>\$ 1,400.00</b>	<b>Ticket Sales as of 2/29/2016</b>
<b>Financial Sec SSB Acct Balance</b>	<b>\$ 22,253.66</b>	<b>Should be same as Treasurer Balance</b>
<b>Fish Fry Reserve (Stmt. Savings)</b>	<b>\$ 23,084.27</b>	<b>Monies in Savings Account from LFF</b>
<b>Total Council SSB Funds</b>	<b>\$ 45,337.93</b>	<b>Total Available Funds</b>

**Donations Received:**

- \$20

**FY Member Gain/Loss**

- **Current Members:** 144; 143 Act, 1 inact
- **Gains:** 3
- **Losses:** 1

**FY2016 Supreme :**

	<u>Quota</u>	<u>Current</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Insur:</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>

**Other Business:**

**Dues:**

2016 Dues notices were sent out on Dec. 4, 2015. To date, we have received dues from 110 members out of 143. Second Notices were sent out via email. Second Notice hardcopy need to be sent out now.

**Miscellaneous:**

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**The Chancellor reported on Vocations:** No information

**The following committees reported:** No information

**Report on Programs:**

- **Lenten Fish Fry:** After a bumpy start with the cash register things are now going well. Help is needed though:
  - Narthex the **“Put back crew”** needs two guys to help put away the ticket sales cash registers and other minor things after the Fish Fry. *Take an active part, please volunteer to help with this.*
  - **Saturday Morning Hall / Kitchen Cleanup Crew** needs 3 more guys for 1-2 hours on Saturday mornings after the Fish Fry. *Take an active part, please volunteer to help with this task.*
- There was a review of the FF income, dinners served and the 50/50 raffle.
- **Blood Drive:** Jake Paszkowski reported that the next blood drive will be March 7.
- **Corporate Communion:** The next Corporate Communion will be at St. James on April 30, 2016, at the 5:00 pm Mass. KC members who are 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree are encouraged to wear their Knight’s shirts and the 4 Degree members are to wear their tux and baldrics. Ron Spoelhof routed a signup sheet for the next three Corporate Communions. Please see Ron if you’d be willing to help.
- **Card Program:** Bob mentioned that we have not seen Mike O’Leary since his wife passed away. We need to keep him in our prayers and see how he is doing. Please let Bob know if you know of a member who is need of a card from the council.
- **Right to Life:** N/A
- **Trustees Report:** N/A

**Unfinished business was taken up and disposed of as follows:**

- **Fund Raiser for Jacki Tutak** was a big success with proceeds of \$7075. There is concern that a check for this amount might be taxable income and could have unfavorable social security or tax implications. The council will seek financial advice before dispersing proceeds.

**The following new business was brought up:**

- Our April 3 meeting will seek nominations for the election of new offices. Think about what position you would be willing to take and ask someone to nominate you.
- Mackinaw Island Convention Delegate –
  - Fr. Peter indicated that he would like to attend. He would not attend as a council delegate, but the council would support his going to the convention.
  - Normally we select two delegates and two alternates. If you are an officer and would like to go to the convention please contact GK Kodi Schulist. We should send at least one delegate.
  - An email will be sent out seeking if any 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree member would like to go as a delegate.
  - We are budgeted to send two delegates.
  - There was discussion of possibly not sending any delegates.

## **The Report of the Fourth Degree, Bishop Baraga Michigan District #4 – (Grand Rapids - Saginaw):**

- Jake Paszkowski: There were good 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Meetings at St. Mary's in January, Sacred Heart in February and Prince of Peace in March.

### **The District Deputy Jim Digman reported as follows:**

- There will be a Major Degree at St. Vincent's in Pentwater on March 13<sup>th</sup>, with registration at 12:00 am. Wives are invited to the dinner. JR Savoie needs a head count so that he knows how many meals to prepare.
- Jim received a letter from Bob Fox that our 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter saw a decline in membership. Jim noted that our council is very active.

### **Our Insurance Agent Joe Tackx reported as follows:**

- Regarding the \$100 annuity. This does not apply to our council. It only applies to councils who are "unsigned" (who do not have an insurance agent).
- Consequently, our annuities will cost \$300 and count as an insured member.

### **Lecturers Report, Kevin Munson:**

- Kevin started out referencing the movie, "Field of Dreams", in that – "If you build it they will come." Kevin went on to tell how after a Washington DC 'March for Life' a bus full of students became stuck in a snowstorm and stranded on a Pennsylvania turnpike overnight. 'Then the rest of the story' - The next day the students built an altar out of snow. The word got out and several priests came with hosts to celebrate Mass on the snow altar with hundreds of faithful.

### **Under Good of the Order, (Read at the end of the meeting): We remember and pray for the souls of:**

- Fr. Joseph Pettit, Fr. Bob Hart, Fr. Paul Johnson, Fr. Thomas Schiller, Tony Tryban, Jerry Savoie, Carl Molnar, Glen (Buzz) Hulet, Vern Brusseau, Herb Jones, George Owen, Jim Luttrull and Chuck Gregwer (January 13, 2015). May they rest in the peace of Christ.

### **Additional prayers for:**

Bishop Walter Hurley, Fr. Donn Tufts-knee surgery, Fr. Phil Witkowski, Rev. Darrel Kempf.  
Seminarians: Jegar Fickel, Dan Schumaker and Steven Geerling. John Loss, Chuck Mosley, Ray Reinhold, Larry Conard's wife Patti, Larry Conard, Tim Bays, Bob Olcese, Dave Anderson's wife Niki, Gary Gheller's wife Karen, Allen Greiner's daughters Sarah and Crystal, Denny Flynn, Bill Karchinski, Dick Alvesteffer's son, Carl Cumings, Michael Shannon family members - Rebecca Denzer, Jacob Hayes, Benjamin Hayes, Bethany Hayes and all Knights and family members in ill-health or in harm's way.

**The next scheduled KC meetings are:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Hospitality</b>
April 3, 2016	1 <sup>st</sup> Degree 5:30 pm gathering Exemplification at 6:00 pm	Regular Meeting at 7:00	L. Conard (Inside Guard)
May 1, 2016	Officers Meeting at 6:00 pm	Regular Meeting at 7:00	R. Spoelhof (Outside Guard)
June 5, 2016	1 <sup>st</sup> Degree 5:30 pm gathering Exemplification at 6:00 pm	Regular Meeting at 7:00	C. Grattafiori (Trustee, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year)

Closing prayers were led by Fr. Peter

The Closing Ode was sung.

The meeting closed at ~8:30 pm.

The minutes were recorded by Gary Greiner