

# Meeting Minutes

## July 12, 2015

### Knights of Columbus #12985

- The Regular meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm
- Opening prayers were offered by WGK Kodi Schulist
- Number of regular meeting attendees: ~ 26

**Roll of Officers was called:**

Chaplain: Fr. P. Omogo	P	Financial Sec: B. Snowdin	P	Inside Guard: L. Conard	P
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	P
Chancellor: C. Cumings	P	Advocate: M. Schulist	P	Trustee (2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr): S. Nagengast	P
Recorder: G. Greiner	P	Warden: R. Edgerton	P	Trustee (1 <sup>st</sup> Yr): A. Greiner	E

**Regular KC Meeting:**

**Reading of minutes:**

- June 7, 2015 meeting minute excerpts were read with no corrections.

**The Grand Knight reported on the following:**

- There was a very brief review of potential new members with no new candidates announced.

Candidate	KC Sponsor	Vetted date
Ed Gallitz	Bob Hyatt	12/07/2014
Ruben Llano	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
Vince Bonczyk	After RCIA	
Bob Powers	Bob Hyatt	

- The next Corp Communion will be : Sunday, August 2, at 8:30 at Our Lady of Assumption
- The next officers meeting will be on: Sunday, August 2, at 6:00 pm, in the Parish Hall
- The next council meeting will be on: Sunday, August 2, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall
- The next 1<sup>st</sup> Degree will be on : Sunday, Septem 13, at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall

- The Knights have a campus flower garden by the road, near the St. James sign, that we are responsible for. We need to ensure it is cared for.
- Diocesan Training – July 15<sup>th</sup> , at 6:00 pm, Assumption of the Virgin Mary, Belmont (Kodi, John, Carl)
- [June 7, 2015] Annual Budget Creation and Review:
  - The members present reviewed the proposed budget in detail, line-by-line.
  - 4 changes were suggested to the budget.
    1. The Fish Revenues will need to be adjusted from \$18,000 to \$27,025.39.
    2. Church Expense - remove the line item to the KC Auxiliary desserts for \$1000.
    3. Remove - St James Parish \$1000. Annual expense of new equipment.
    4. Change the CHWC donation from \$500 Man., \$500 Discr., to \$1000 Discretionary.
      - There was a motion to accept the budget, with the four changes, the motion was seconded and the motion was carried. Hard copies will be emailed to members for review and there will be budget copies at the next council meeting for review. *This is the first of two required votes when the amount discussed exceeds \$500.*
  - [July 12, 2015] The budget was reviewed again, line by line, with the 4 changes above included. Afterward the table was opened for discussion. One question was asked confirming that the only changes made were those listed above and GK confirmed those as the only ones.
    - *A motion was made to vote the second time on the budget and the motion carried.*

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

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

**The Chaplain reported as follows:**

- Fr. Peter thanked the Knights for all they do for the parish.

**The Treasurer reported:**

- Treasurer George Horn reported a check book balance of \$36,743.39, which agreed with the SSB statement. This includes a deposit of \$27,000 on June 10<sup>th</sup>. [\$27,025.39]

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

**The following communications were read:**

- The following thank-you's were received:
  - Ken Mahoney – condolences of his wife Mary's passing.
  - SOF - \$1,000
  - Peace Corp - \$499
  - Giving Tree - \$393.25
  - Wesley Schools - \$500

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**Financial Secretary Report, Bill Snowdin:**

- Bill reviewed the FS Report line by line. He also noted that we will need 10 new members next year to quality for Michigan Star Council. We may lose three members this year due to lack of dues payments. That would bring our required new member count up to 13.
- He noted that his three year term is coming to an end.

**Financial Secretary Report – July 1, 2015**

**Payables:      Generated Vouchers      \$2,178.92      since last meeting.**

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Payment / Donation for :</b>
\$ 600.00	David J. Schmitt	reimburse for expenses to the State Convention
\$ 600.00	Ronald A. Spoelhof	reimburse for expenses to the State Convention
\$ 150.00	Leona Perigard	charitable donation to reimburse for food for youth picnic fund-raiser
\$ 148.92	Leona Perigard	charitable donation to assist 4 youth to DYMO camp for 2015
\$ 540.00	Trophy Center of W. Michigan	15 new red emb dress shirts and 5 new red emb vests
\$ 140.00	Michigan State Council, KofC	Take 5 Proceeds from members from 3/2/2015-6/19/2015

**Receipts:      Deposited Monies:      \$27,025.39      since last meeting.**

<b>From (Source)</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Cash - St James Catholic Church	27,025.39	Proceeds from the 2015 Lenten Fish Fries

<b>Balance: Knights Books</b>	<b>\$ 35,419.39</b>	
<b>K of C Reserve</b>	<b>\$ 961.00</b>	<b>Council Buffer Set Aside</b>
<b>Good Cause / Needy Mbr</b>	<b>\$ 363.00</b>	<b>Donations</b>
<b>Financial Sec SSB Acct Balance</b>	<b>\$ 36,743.39</b>	<b>Should be same as Treasurer Balance</b>
<b>Fish Fry Reserve (Money Market)</b>	<b>\$ 14,055.18</b>	<b>Monies in Savings Account from LFF</b>
<b>Total Council SSB Funds</b>	<b>\$ 50,798.57</b>	<b>Total Available Funds</b>

**Donations Received:**

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**FY Member Gain/Loss**

- **Current Members:** 143; 142 Act, 1 inact
- **Gains:** 10
- **Losses:** 1

**FY2015 Supreme :**

	<b><u>Quota</u></b>	<b><u>Current</u></b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Insur:</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>

**Other Business:**

**Dues:** 13 members left to pay their 2015 dues. ☺ I have sent out a 3<sup>rd</sup> notification to those members who have not paid. After July 1, several members should be approached about removing them from the roster. ☺

**Miscellaneous:**  
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**The Chancellor reported on Vocations:**

- Carl Cumings reported that Fr. James Brook of Loveland (Cincinnati), Ohio, a young priest, has pancreatic cancer and has requested our prayers for healing.

**Report on Programs:**

- Blood Drive – Jake Paszkowski reported that the St. Mary of the Woods blood drive collected 52 units on July 6th. The next blood drive will take place on August 31st .
- George Horn reported on the upcoming MI Drive – we now have the two additional captains that were needed. JR Savoie and Dave Schmitt. We were reminded to sell Tootsie Rolls at work, if you can. [Weekend of September 19<sup>th</sup>. Team Captains should begin lining up their volunteers.]
- Adoration – Was tabled until next meeting.
- JR Savoie was presented a placard for his all of his efforts in leading the Lenten Fish Fries the last many years.
- Steve Nagengast reported on the Lenten Dinner Raffle. Bill Bartholomew and Jim Bolger will no longer have time to help on this project. Steve’s time will be limited also, but he is willing to help coach people who would be willing to take on this project. Steve suggested 2 couples might work best to run this fundraiser.

**Right to Life:**

- Bob Hyatt has reported that the ‘Baby Bottle Boomerang’ has netted \$2,941.88 so far for the Muskegon Pregnancy Services (MPI).

**Trustees Report:** N/A

**Membership:** N/A

**Round Table Report:** N/A

**The following committees reported:** N/A

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

- [June 7, 2015] Fish Fry Profit Sharing:  
This discussion continued from the Officers Meeting. Again, there was another long and extensive discussion regarding several options and ideas of how best and fairly to share the proceeds of the Fish Fry with Auxiliary and the church. After much discussion, the general consensus was that a *percentage* should go to each of the parties involved. In that way, whether proceeds are up or down, all parties involved will get a fair distribution.
  - The Fish Fry profit distribution would be as follows, based on the net proceeds:
    - 30% - Capital Appropriation – Money to purchase fish and other supplies (~ \$30,000).
      - If in the future the Auxiliary wanted to provide capital for purchase of the fish and supplies, then the Auxiliary percentage would increase.
    - 20% - General Manager – this is a task that continues throughout the year.

- If in a future year the Knights did not fill this role, and an Auxiliary member was willing to, then the Auxiliary could potentially receive this 20%.
- 20% - Auxiliary members – volunteering during the Fish Fry
- 20% - Knights members – volunteering during the Fish Fry
- 10% - Facilities (church) – This is a stipend for the use of the facilities.
  - This would replace the historical annual \$2,000 donation to the church (a flat fee).
    - [June 7, 2015] A motion was made to establish the Fish Fry Profit Sharing as stated above. The motion was seconded and the motion carried. (*As this vote is for more than \$500 of revenue there will need to be a second vote on this motion*).
    - [July 12, 2015] There was a quick review of the June 7 decision above and little discussion. *A motion was made to vote the second time on the budget and the motion carried.*
      - JR noted that the first five 50/50 raffle proceeds go toward the RSVP. The balance go toward CHWC and the Giving Tree.

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

- Bill Snowdin suggested that we might consider sending our Alter Servers and Lenten Fish Fry youth workers to an August 22 Tigers baseball game, rather than the Whitecaps. WGK Kodi thought we should stick with the West Michigan Whitecaps.
- Re the Mary Garden – the parish is asking some of the parish ministries to help defer the cost of moving, reconditioning, garden area, trellis, etc. The KC's were asked if they could donate \$3,000 toward this effort. The total project cost if ~ \$15,000. It was suggested that this could come from our \$2,700 building fund donation.  
WGK Kodi wanted a breakdown of the expenses before we commit to this expense and offer some of this work to the Knights. Fr. Peter said that there is such a breakdown available. A motion was made to table this decision for now, it was 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion carried.
- St. James Day will be on August 16<sup>th</sup> from noon to 3:00 pm. We will need help with setup, clean-up and with the KC train. ~ 15 volunteers would be good.
- Matt Kaley approached the council regarding Carmen Wood and her needing a ramp. Funding is available, but the project lacks manpower. Willie Josephson has offered to design it. Help will be needed in the future with construction. Van Vanguilder's name was mentioned as someone who might be able to lead the project.

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

JR Savoie noted the following:

- The 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month with 6:30 social, 7:00 meeting.
- DGK John will be giving this report going forward.

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

- District Deputy Jim applauded the council for our great efforts. The mantra will continue to be membership and retention. Jim handed out a ‘Fraternal Leader Success Planner’ for officers to review.

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

- Joe congratulated the council on having met our Michigan Star Council quota for insured members.
- This is the last year that a new member can purchase an annuity for \$100. A current member of more than one year can purchase an annuity for \$300.
- It is acceptable, if we want, to have more than one fraternal benefit night per year. Joe noted that we will start offering members the insurance opportunity earlier in the year.

**Lecturers Report, Kevin Munson:**

- Kevin read an excerpt from the ‘Joy of the Gospel’ which is the teachings of Pope Francis. In it, it regards Mary as the Mother of Evangelization and that she is the mother of our church which evangelizes.

**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, Fr. Phil Witkowski, Rev. Darrel Kempf. Seminarians: Jegar Fickel, Dan Schumaker and Steven Geerling. Deacon Greg Anderson, John Loss, Chuck Mosley, Ray Reinhold, Butch Conard’s wife Patti, Butch Conard, Tim Bays, Tyler Cumings, Bob Olcese, Dave Anderson’s wife Niki, , Gary Gheller’s wife Karen, Allen Greiner’s daughters Sarah and Crystal, Jarrett Savoie, Fred Painter, Larry Painter, Ken Mahoney - whose wife Mary passed away, Denny Flynn, and all Knights and family members in ill-health or in harm’s way.

**The next scheduled meetings are:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Hospitality</b>
August 02, 2015	Corp Communion will be: Sunday, August 2, at 8:30 at Our Lady of Assumption.	Regular meeting at 7:00	
August 02, 2015	The next officers meeting will be: Sunday, August 2, at 6:00 pm, in the Parish Hall.	Regular meeting at 7:00	

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Closing prayers were led by Fr. Peter  
The Closing Ode was sung.  
The meeting closed at ~8:20 pm.  
The minutes were recorded by Gary Greiner