



1. The January 9, 2018 Council meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by GK Rode
2. Warden's Report on Membership Cards by Tom Silver
3. Opening Prayer offered by GK Rode
4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
5. Roll Call of Officers

Office	Name	Pres	Office	Name	Pres
Chaplain	Vacant	Vac	Advocate	Tom Silver	P
Grand Knight	John Rode	P	Warden	Vacant	Vac
Dep. Grand	Eugene Dust	A	Inside	Jose	A
		Guard		Rodriguez-Belerrari	
Chancellor	Tom Murphy	P	Outside Guard	Pat Karn	P(8:30)
Recorder	Jim Grube	P	Trustee 3 Year	Dave Stumpf	P
Financial	Ed Hagerty	P	Trustee 2 Year	Bill Swing	P Secretary
Treasurer	Mark Mertens	A	Trustee 1 Year	Earl Forrence	A
Lecturer	Marty Dehen	P			

Present: 9 Absent: 4

6. Non-Officer Council Members in Attendance (10 members present for votes): Dan Cincoski
7. Knights of Columbus Guests: Bill Swing also attended as the District 53 Deputy.
8. Opening Ode: The Council dispensed with the opening ode.
9. Chaplain's Report: None
10. Reading of Minutes of Previous Meeting: The record of the Council finances and actions of the November 14, 2017 General Membership meeting was **approved**.
11. Report of Admission Committee and Reading of Applications:
12. Balloting for Membership (new, readmission. reapplications, transfers):
13. Initiations:

#### **14. Grand Knight's Report:**

**15. Treasurer's Report:** The Council account balance was not reported due to the absence of the Treasurer.

**16. Financial Secretary's Report:** Total Receipts reported for the period: \$0.00. Total Disbursements reported for the period: \$1,325.65 (5 Vouchers - \$483.85, \$100.00, \$187.57, \$99.00 and \$455.23). **Motion** to accept the Financial Secretary's report was **approved**.

**Motion** to pay the Council bills was **approved**

**17. Grand Knight Reading of Treasurer's Receipts, Financial Secretary Vouchers for Deposit – See** Financial Secretary's Report #16 above.

**18. Report of Auditors and Trustees –** The Financial Secretary reported that the first half year audit report is due February 15, 2018.

**19. Chancellor's Report on Vocations –** No report

#### **20. Service Program Committee Reports**

- Program Director: Dave Stumpf – No report
- Church Director: Earl Forrence - No report
- Vocations: Tom Silver - No report
- Council Service Director: Ed Ayd – No report
- Culture of Life Director: Unassigned – No report
- Public Relations: Unassigned - No report
- Family Service Director: Jim Grube – No report
- Youth Activity Director: Unassigned – No report
- Membership: Dan Cincoski reported that the current membership count is 139; 55 insurance members and 84 associate members. The Council also has 3 honorary members.
- Recruitment: John Rode – No report
- Retention: Jim Grube - No report
- Lecturer: Marty Dehen – No report
- HNOJ Life Commission - No report

**21. Report of the Round Table Chairman –** Not applicable

**22. Report of Standing Committees –** Not applicable

#### **23. Unfinished Business**

**1** General Agent Ben Schleicher Update - Grand Knight Rode reported there is no new information regarding Ben Schleicher's efforts to fill our Field Agent position. For those who may wish to contact Ben, the necessary information is: 507/822-7173 or schleicherAgencymail@kofc.org

**2** Kitchen Warming Cart Repair Proposal - Tom Silver reported that he has taken over responsibility for the warmer repair. He advised that he will purchase the needed replacement parts and seek Chuck Grabowski's assistance in the actual repair.

**3** December 6 Fire for Discipleship - Grand Knight Rode reported that a handful of Knights participated in the outing.

## **24. New Business**

**1** Cinnamon Roll Preparation/Sale - Tom Silver reminded the members that this is the 28th annual cinnamon roll preparation/sale and is scheduled for January 19 - 21. Tom distributed flyers announcing the schedule of volunteers needed to assist in the production and sale of the rolls. Tom also noted that Murray Wolf is going to make a card that will be attached to the roll bag. The card will inform the reader of the January 22 March for Life, the intended use of the funds raised and other pro-life information.

**2** Recognition of Volunteers for December 24th 3:00 PM Mass Parking - Grand Knight Rode reported that 9 Knights helped directed parking for the Masses. Eugene Dust coordinated the Knights activities by providing a map of parking areas.

**4** First Degree Exemplification Schedule for District 53:

February 13 (6:00 PM) - Holy Name Council host at Holy Name (New date and time)

May 15 (6:15 PM) - Loretto Council host at Sts. Peter & Paul

June 12 (6:00PM) - Holy Name Council host at Holy Name

**5** Council Free Throw Contest - The Council will partner with the Wayzata Council to conduct the contest on January 21 at St. Bart's. Grand Knight Rode will post a request for 6 Knights to assist. Volunteers are to report to St. Bart's at 1:00 PM.

The District Free Throw Competition is scheduled for February 11th at 11:30 in Golden Valley.

**6** Tootsie Roll Sale - The Council's order is due February 15th. Dave Stumpf advised that we should order 4 boxes.

**7** Annual Fraternal Activity Survey - The survey due date is January 28.

**8** February KC Family Event - The February event is to occur on February 20. Grand Knight Rode asked the members to think about what the Council could do to make the event family friendly and inviting.

**9** Dave Stumpf reported that the Seafood Buffet is scheduled for March 23rd.

**25. Report of the Fourth Degree** - Dan Cincoski reported that a sword blessing and annual Renewal of the 4th Degree Obligations occurred January 8th. Dan also reported that the next 4th Degree Exemplification is to occur at Brainerd (Cragun's) April 20/21

**26. Field Agent's Report** - No report

**27. District Deputy's Report** - District Deputy Bill Swing challenged the members to think of ways to make the Council better and make a New Year's resolution to do so.

1. DD Swing also noted that Supreme offers webinars for members, and makes them available on the website for those who are unable to participate for the live webinar. The next webinar is "Keeping Recruitment Personal" and is scheduled for January 31st at 9:00 PM central time.
2. DD Swing noted he is attempting to gain Trustees' access to the financial information contained at the Supreme website.

3. DD Swing noted that Supreme has developed a "Father Wants You" to be a Knight of Columbus and that he intends to seek Father Steve's support for release to men of the Parish considered potential Knights.
4. The next Major Degree Exemplification is to occur at St. Vincent's in Brooklyn Park on January 27th.
5. Annual submittal dates upcoming: April 1 for state award applications; June 30 for Star Council and Columbian Award applications.
6. The State Convention is scheduled for May 18-20 in Rochester.
7. Matt Mamura is to meet with Bill Swing about website coverage while Bill is out of town between mid-February and mid-March.

**28. Good of the Order:**

- Christopher "Kip" Walker and wife Susan
- Earl Forrence
- Dick and Alice Hargarten
- Jerry Sisk
- George Laurance
- Tom Silver
- Paul Silver (Tom Silver's brother)
- Dave Brinza
- Jan Stumpf (Dave Stumpf's wife)
- Bill Rudolph
- The family of Ron Rudolph (Bill Rudolph's son) on the loss of Ron's wife
- The Shallbetter family (Carrie (Marty) Dehen) on the condition of Carrie's mother
- The family of Barb Cavanaugh (Joe Cavanaugh's wife) on the hospice care of Barb's father
- Bill Cavanaugh (Joe Cavanaugh's brother)
- Dave Novack on his transition in his new Field Agent assignment
- Ben Schleicher as General Agent for the KC's and his search for new Field Agents
- Father Steve
- Those suffering from the effects of natural disasters
- Those victims and survivors of mass shooting incidents
- Those preparing for marriage
- Those in troubled marriages
- The unborn and pro-life
- Prayers of thanks for Pope Francis
- All Bishops, Priests and Religious
- The unemployed and those seeking work
- Troubled youth
- In thanksgiving for prayers answered
- For all Brother Knights and their families in need of our prayers
- Candidates for vocations
- Police Officers
- Armed Forces
- All 1st responders

**29. Closing Prayer:** The closing prayers were offered at 8:46PM.

**30. Closing Ode:** The Council dispensed with the closing ode.

**31. Meeting Adjourned:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 PM.

**Closing Reminders:**

weekend - January 19-21

Cinnamon roll

Men's breakfast - January 19

Council free throw contest - January 21

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Grube