

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2020

- 1. The February 11, 2020 Council meeting was called to order at 7:37 PM by Grand Knight Murphy.**
- 2. Warden's Report on Membership Cards by Dan Cincoski**
- 3. Opening Prayer offered by Grand Knight Murphy**
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
- 5. Roll Call of Officers**

Office	Name	Present (P)
Chaplain	Vacant	Vacant
Grand Knight	Tom Murphy	P
Dep. Grand Knight	Eugene Dust	P
Chancellor	Greg Pulles	P
Recorder	Jim Grube	P
Fin. Secretary	Ed Hagerty	P
Treasurer	Mark Mertens	P
Lecturer	Marty Dehen	A
Advocate	Tom Silver	P
Warden	Dan Cincoski	P
Inside Guard	Tom Lee	P
Outside Guard	Pat Karn	P (8:14 PM)
Trustee 3 Year	John Rode	P
Trustee 2 Year	Dave Stumpf	P
Trustee 1 Year	Bill Swing	P
Present: 13 Absent: 1		

6. Non-Officer Council Members in Attendance (16 members present for votes): Earl Forrence, Jim Halek, George Brockway

7. Knights of Columbus Guests: Bill Swing also attended in his role as District Deputy. Pat Farkas, a member of the Father George Council in Long Lake now attends Holy Name of Jesus Church and is interested in transferring to the Good Samaritan Council.

8. Opening Ode: The Council elected to dispense with the opening ode.

9. Chaplain's Report: No report

10. Reading of Minutes of Previous Meeting: The Council **approved** the record of the Council finances and actions of the January 14, 2020 General Membership meeting.

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11. Report of Admission Committee and Reading of Applications: Dan Cincoski reported the Council has received an application for admission from Archilefu (Archie) Anyamele. In addition, David Novak has completed a transfer form to transfer into the Council. Pat Farkas also submitted a transfer form during the meeting.

12. Balloting for Membership (new, readmission, reapplications, transfers): Archilefu (Archie) Anyamele was unanimously accepted for admission to the Knights of Columbus.

13. Initiations: Dan Cincoski reported he had escorted Matt Pokorn to the major degree exemplification at St. Vincent De Paul Parish in Brooklyn Park on January 25th. Dan noted Matt was able to complete the 1st Degree Exemplification but had to leave due to illness.

The following will be attending the major degree ceremonies at St. Timothy Parish in Blaine on February 22nd: Archilefu Anyamele and Todd Polum escorted by Bill Swing – all three degrees; Matt Pokorn and Father Colin escorted by Dan Cincoski – 2nd and 3rd degrees.

14. Grand Knight's Report: Refer to items #23, #24, #27.

15. Treasurer's Report: The Council account balance was \$ 6,585.94 as of February 11, 2020. **Motion** to accept the Treasurer's Report was **approved**.

16. Financial Secretary's Report: Total Receipts reported for the period: \$1,310.00; Total Disbursements reported for the period: \$1,670.66 (7 vouchers: \$99.00, \$500.00, \$68.99, \$756.00, \$67.68, \$18.99, 160.00). **Motion** to accept the Financial Secretary's report was **approved**.

Financial Secretary Hagerty also reported the audit report is available for signature by the Grand Knight and Trustees.

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

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

18. Report of Auditors and Trustees – No report

19. Chancellor's Report on Vocations – No report

20. Service Program Committee Reports

- Program Director: Dave Stumpf – No report
- Faith Director: Earl Forrence – No report
- Vocations Chairman: Tom Silver – No report
- Community Director: John Rode – No report
- Life Director: Pat Karn – No report
- Health Servcies; Dr. Stephen Johnson – No report

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- Public Relations: Matt Mamura – No report
- Family Director: Jim Grube – No report
- Membership Director: John Rode – No report
 - Recruitment Committee 1: Dan Cincoski – No report
 - Recruitment Committee 2: Dave Stumpf – No report
 - Recruitment Committee 3: Mark Mertens – No report
- Retention Committee: Ed Hagerty reported that there are a number of members who have not yet paid their 2020 dues, and he will review their status before proceeding with the suspension process.
- Insurance Promotion: Tom Murphy – No report
- Chaplain: Not assigned
- Lecturer: Marty Dehen – No report

21. Report of the Round Table Chairman – Not applicable

22. Report of Standing Committees – No report

23. Unfinished Business

1. Post event reviews

- A. Local free throw competition – The competition occurred January 18th at Ave Maria Academy in Maple Grove. Dave Brinza attended on behalf of the Council, and it was reported that four youth were signed up with Holy Name as their affiliation.
- B. 30th annual pro-life cinnamon roll bake sale and breakfast – Tom Silver reported that the event had a gross income of approximately \$5,300 and a net income of approximately \$4,400. He indicated that \$200 was to be given to Holy Name for use of facilities to bake the rolls, and the \$4,200 balance was split among six pro-life organizations (\$700 each).
- C. District free throw competition – The competition occurred February 8th at Good Shepard school in Golden Valley. Dave Brinza attended on behalf of the Council.
- D. Annual survey of fraternal activity – Bill Swing noted there was limited response from the members.

2. Churches of Rome presentation – Chancellor Pulles reported on the upcoming event scheduled for February 27th. The event will begin with Mass at 6:00 PM. A wine and cheese reception will follow at 6:30 PM and the presentation will begin at 7:00 PM.

It was noted that only 13 email responses have been received as of the meeting, but it is anticipated 50 may attend. The Council has reserved the Church and Good Samaritan Center for the event.

Discussion ensued regarding the need for volunteers to prepare the wine and cheese setup before the Mass and clean up after the event. An email blast will be sent out to the Council seeking volunteers for the event.

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3. Seafood buffet – Dave Stumpf reminded the Council that the buffet will occur February 28th.

Discussion ensued regarding the expected attendance at the event, and it was agreed to anticipate 300 attendees (approximately 250 attended last year). It was noted that Davone Yang is unable to coordinate the event. As a result, the Council elected to purchase eggrolls instead of making them. It is anticipated the event may cost \$3,000. Finally, it was noted that the special needs Stations of the Cross scheduled for the 28th has been postponed. Regardless of the changes, the Council elected to proceed with the event. An email blast will be sent to the Council seeking volunteers. In addition, various members who have contacts with people with culinary experience indicated they will seek assistance from those individuals.

4. Pancake breakfast – Tom Silver reminded the membership that the next pancake breakfast will be March 8th. An email blast will be sent to the membership seeking volunteers.

24. New Business

1. New member processing – It was noted that the Grand Knight, Financial Secretary and Bill Swing need to receive the name, email and address of those who are to join the Council so we can keep in touch with them throughout the fraternal year. It was agreed that any member who has a prospective member fill out a Form 100 must make sure the information is contained on the form and the form is given to Dan Cincoski. Dan will make sure the forms are complete and that the three receive the needed information.

2. Update on the new three degrees of exemplification – Please refer to #4 of the District Deputy report, #27 of the agenda. Discussion ensued regarding how the Council will approach the interim months before the new exemplification procedure is in full effect after June 30th. It was agreed that the membership would be informed of the Council's intent to inform the Parish, by way of the Bulletin and/or monthly newsletter, of the new exemplification in April. **Links to the Knights of Columbus information are provided below, and any Knight who may have reservations regarding the Parish being informed in April are invited to advise Grand Knight Murphy.**

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson and the ceremony: [VIDEO](#)

Exemplification Script: [SCRIPT](#)

Exemplification FAQ: [FAQ](#)

3. Required programs for award eligibility – Please refer to #7 and #10 of the District Deputy report, #27 of the agenda. In addition, District Deputy Swing reported that the Long Lake Council will sponsor a Night of Prayer with Fr. Lon Konold of King's House on March 5th at 7:00 PM at St. George's Church in Long Lake (satisfies the Faith category requirement). An upcoming Feed My Starving Children event sponsored by the Wayzata Council is listed in #10 of the District Deputy report.

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4. Delta church drive – Please refer to #8 of the District Deputy report, #27 of the agenda. In addition, Grand Knight Murphy reported he, Bill Swing and Recorder Grube had participated in a webinar regarding recruitment. Bill noted the webinar discussed how to present the recruitment of prospective members from the pulpit by both the Parish Priest and a Council member. It was noted that the “60 Seconds to Connect” may provide an additional avenue of introduction to the Parish. It was agreed we need to reach agreement as to how we reach out to the men of the Parish.
5. Delegate nomination for state convention – Grand Knight Murphy and Past Grand Knight Rode indicated interest in attending the for the day of May 16th only. Please refer to #6 of the District Deputy report, #27 of the agenda.
6. Tootsie Roll order – Please refer to #3 of the District Deputy report, #27 of the agenda. It was agreed the Council wishes to have three boxes of Tootsie Rolls delivered for sale.
7. Landing page – Please refer to #9 of the District Deputy report, #27 of the agenda.
8. Electronic church signs – Tom Lee reported that discussion has begun among interested parishioners regarding replacement of the static church sign with two electronic signs that offer changeable message boards. Tom circulated examples of two different signs that may be seen locally and an information sheet from Optic Displays, Inc. Tom reported that a first estimate offered for consideration was \$25,000, but he was unsure if the estimate was for one or two signs. Following discussion it was agreed Tom would advise those discussing the issue that the Council is willing to discuss with them a support role the Council may be able to fill as consideration is given to initiating a pledge drive to finance the installation of the two signs, with the understanding that Father Steve must be in agreement with the signs’ design, locations and estimated cost. This is very important as it relates to how this folds into, or is separate from, the larger capital pledge drive that will occur later this year.
9. March meeting conflict with Big/Small Dinner – It was reported that the Parish has scheduled the next Big/Small Dinner for March 10th, opposite the March Council meeting. Recognizing that a number of Council meeting attendees traditionally serve and clean up after the Big/Small Dinner, **it was agreed to move the Council meeting to March 17.**
10. Rosary distribution – Earl Forrence reported he will be presenting rosaries to the RCIA candidates on March 10th. While discussion ensued regarding other rosary needs supported by the Council no need to purchase additional rosaries was evident.
25. **Report of the Fourth Degree** – Dan Cincoski reported that the spring exemplification is to be the week after Easter in Walker.
26. **Field Agent’s Report** – District Deputy Swing reported the Field Agent position remains vacant, and calls should go to General Agent David Goedtke:
Phone:(507)-720-1652
David.goedtke@kofc.org
12 South Marshall Avenue
Springfield, MN 56087

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27. District Deputy’s Report: District Deputy Swing submitted a written report for February, 2020. Following are the subjects addressed in his report:

1. Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728) – The Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (*Form #1728*) was due January 31.
2. Semiannual Audit (#1295) – This report is due February 15th. Please send a copy to the District Deputy.
3. Tootsie Roll Orders – Please email to the District Deputy the number of boxes the Council wishes to have ordered. As in past years, one order will be placed for the District (February 15th deadline) with distribution once the shipment is received. The number of boxes that each council has been consistently ordering over the years:

3758 Wayzata	13 boxes
9601 Loretto	2 boxes
12293 Long Lake	1 box
13096 Medina	4 boxes
13506 Golden Valley	2 boxes

4. New Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity – As reported previously, this new degree ceremony will combine the 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree exemplifications into a single 30-minute exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity. While the option of conducting the new degree or continuing with the old degrees until June 30th exists, it is recommended the councils continue using the old degrees until members have had a chance to attend a new degree and feel comfortable conducting one. Members are encouraged to attend the Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity, the new degree, that is scheduled at St. Joseph in Lino Lakes on Sunday February 9th at 11:00 AM (DD Terry Wagner 651-483-0814).

State Ceremonials Director Don Trudeau (612-749-2982) suggests that a council buy a 2-foot 1/2 inch thick rope from a hardware store and use cotton thread or yarn for the fibers instead of buying the \$19 “C13 New Ceremonial Cable and Fibers” from The English Company.

5. New suspension form – Please remember to include the new form “Request for Membership Suspension” in your suspension process.
6. State convention – The convention will be at Breezy Point, May 15-17. Councils are asked to elect delegates and register for the convention:
 - Register for the convention <https://stateconvention.mnknights.org/product/convention-registration-2020/>
 - Book a room: <https://stateconvention.mnknights.org/where-to-stay/>
 - Register your delegates <https://stateconvention.mnknights.org/register-your-delegates/>

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The online delegate registration eliminates the hard copy “credentials” form.

7. Required programs – The following are required to be eligible for the Columbian award and Star Council award:

Category	Required Program	Abbreviated Description
Faith	Spiritual Reflection	Attend a retreat or day of reflection
Family	Consecration to the Holy Family	Invite families to consecrate themselves to the Holy Family
Community	Helping Hands	Help those less fortunate in your community
Life	Novena for Life	Conduct novena using KC cards, USCCB novena or other prayer

Councils are welcome and encouraged to attend the required programs being coordinated by the Wayzata Council.

8. Church drives/recruitment – As councils firm updates for church drives and other recruitment activities, please advise the District Deputy.

St Thomas the Apostle Parish – The Loretto Council is considering taking St. Thomas the Apostle parish under its wing and conducting a church drive there in March. Since Ss. Peter & Paul and St Thomas the Apostle Parishes are now a “parish cluster” and given the proximity of St Thomas the Apostle Parish to Ss. Peter & Paul Parish in Loretto, the Wayzata Council has agreed to transfer St Thomas the Apostle Parish to the Loretto Council.

9. Prospect page – The “Prospect Page” has been improved! There’s no longer a need to bother Supreme with setup. This is a great way for any member to immediately connect with their prospects. Test it out by going to <https://info.kofc.org/us.html> and enter your email address and contact information in all fields. You will immediately receive what the prospect would receive as well as what you as the council contact would receive.

10. District Council Events

THE CHURCHES OF ROME (see attached flyer)



Presented by the Good Samaritan Knights of Columbus Council 13096
 All are invited to a pictorial tour of Rome’s most special churches with Greg Pulles, author of *Sacred Places: Rediscovering the Churches of Rome*. This free event takes place February 27, from 6:00-8:00 PM at Holy Name of Jesus, 155 County Road 24, Wayzata. We will begin with Mass at 6:00 PM followed by a wine and cheese reception and the presentation. Please RSVP by Sunday February 23rd by emailing kofc@hnoj.org. Those who wish to learn more about the Knights of Columbus are especially welcome.

Medina Council Annual Seafood Buffet – Friday February 28th 5⁰⁰ – 7:00 PM.

Golden Valley Council Lenten fish fry dinners – February 28th and Friday April 3rd evenings at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 145 Jersey Avenue South, Golden Valley.

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Feed My Starving Children (satisfies required program under Community category) – The Wayzata Council will sponsor the event at 9:00 AM March 28 at the FMSC facility in Chanhassen.

Novena to Three American Saints for Life (satisfies required program under Life category) – The Wayzata Council is sponsoring the novena.

Robbinsdale Rosary – The Wayzata Council will be attending the event with Father Dufner (bring your kids along) where attendees will recite the mysteries of the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. This recurring prayer event is held the second Saturday of the month at 10:00 AM at the Pro-Life Action Ministries Chapel of the Innocents parking lot.

- 11. Free Throw Competition – The Golden Valley, Wayzata and the Medina Councils have completed their local free throw competitions. The 22 winners of these competitions will now advance to the District competition that will take place Saturday February 8th at 12:30 PM in the Good Shepherd school gym in Golden Valley. Winners of the District competition will advance to the Regional Competition to be held on Saturday February 15th at St Vincent De Paul school gym in Brooklyn Park (8:00 AM registration; 9:00 AM start). Those winners will then advance to the State Contest that is scheduled for Saturday March 28th in the new Tech High School, 4200 33rd Street South, St. Cloud.

12. District 1st Degree Exemplification Schedule

Date	Time	Host Council	Location
02/10/2020	6:45 PM	Wayzata 3758	KC Chambers, 10904 S Shore Dr, Plymouth
03/19/2020	6:15 PM	Loretto 9601	KC Chambers, SS. Peter & Paul, Loretto
04/14/2020	6:15PM	Medina 13096	Holy Name of Jesus, Medina
05/07/2020	6:15 PM	Long Lake 12293	St George’s Church, Long Lake

These 1st Degree Exemplifications will continue until we hear otherwise. A major degree ceremony in lieu of a 1st Degree Exemplification is preferred however. Councils should notify the District Deputy and the hosting council of any candidate(s) no later than one week before the scheduled degree. If the hosting council is not notified of candidates, they should assume there are no candidates and that their degree has been cancelled.

13. Metro Major Degrees

- February 9, 2020 at St Joseph, Lino Lakes, New Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity, 11:00 AM. Contact Terry Wagner 651-483-0814.
- February 22, 2020 at St Timothy, Blaine, 1st degree 9:00 AM, 2nd degree 10:00AM, 3rd degree follows. Contact Terry Wagner 651-483-0814.
- March 14, 2020 at St Andrews Elk River, Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity, for start time call host District Deputy Ray Dixon at 316-706-7751

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- March 14, 2020 at Transfiguration, Oakdale, Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity, start time 10am, Contact Josh Phinney at 515-729-4997

14. District Deputy February Visits

- Long Lake Council meeting, February 6th, 7:00 pm
- Medina Council meeting, February 11th, 7:30 pm (tentative)

15. Upcoming Webinars

Tues., March 24, 2020 – 7:30 PM CST: Turning Your Clergy into Your Best Recruiters [REGISTER NOW](#)

Tues., June 23, 2020 – 7:30 PM CST: Effective Change Over Meetings Bridge Council Action [REGISTER NOW](#)

Tues., July 14, 2020 – 7:30 PM CST: Council Officer Quick Start Fraternal Training [REGISTER NOW](#)

Past webinars can be viewed “on demand” by going to [Past KC Webinars](#)

16. Update from Supreme on Reporting – To simplify processes and better respect the time of our Brother Knights, starting January 1st, we will no longer offer participation forms for many of our program. In an effort to consolidate this process and bring it down from five forms to one, we ask that you please complete the new Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784), available for online submission at kofc.org/forms. Please feel free to retroactively report past participation online with the #10784 online submission option.

These Featured Programs and Required Programs will continue to have their own associated forms:

- Community: Habitat for Humanity, Global Wheelchair Mission, Coats for Kids®
- Life: Ultrasound Initiative, Special Olympics, March for Life and Silver Rose
- Family: Food for Families
- Faith: RSVP

28. For the Good of the Order

- Christopher “Kip” Walker and wife Susan
- Dick and Mary Alice Hargarten
- Jerry and Joanne Sisk
- George Laurance
- Kim Mertens (Mark Mertens’ wife)
- Paul Silver (Tom Silver's brother)
- Bill Rudolph
- Davone Yang and his family
- Eugene Dust
- Mary Dehen
- David Novack and his family
- Father Steve and Father Colin

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- Father Mike Van Sloun of St. Bart's Parish
- Sheri McCallum (friend of Tom Lee)
- Friends of the Knights of Columbus
- Students in college
- Those suffering from the effects of natural disasters
- 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 canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney
- For the canonization of Bishop Fulton J. Sheen
- 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 9:28 PM.

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

31. Meeting Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 9:29 PM.

Closing Reminders:

February 20 – Delta Church Drive Seminar at Wayzata KC Hall, 10910 South Shore Drive from 7:00 to 9:00 PM

February 27 – Council Churches of Rome presentation – 6:00 to 8:00 PM

February 28 – Sea Food Buffet – 5:00 to 10:00 PM

March 5 – Night of Prayer at St. George Parish in Long Lake – 7:00 to 8:00 PM

March 8 – Pancake breakfast

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Grube, Recording Secretary