

## Minutes of the Knights of Columbus Council 5604

July 06, 2017

The Meeting was opened at 7:01 p.m. by Grand Knight Larry Locascio.

- Welcomed our Chaplain, Fr. Lawton Lang, and our new District Deputy, James Vanderhorst and District Warden, Joe Scalise.

An opening prayer was offered.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call of officers:

- Grand Knight - Larry Locascio - Present
- Chaplain - Fr. Lawton Lang - Present
- Deputy Grand Knight - Jose Estiggaribia - Present
- Chancellor - Mark Rettig - Excused
- Warden - Thomas Reese - Present
- Financial Secretary - Warren Peterson - Present
- Treasurer - Vincent Colonnese, Jr. - Present
- Recorder - Michael Sutherland - Present
- Advocate - Thomas Flynn - Absent
- Inside Guard - Richard Andrade - Absent
- Outside Guard - Diego Estigarribia - Present
- 1 Year Trustee - Phil Indovina - Present
- 2 Year Trustee - Al Connizzo - Present
- 3 Year Trustee - James Vanderhorst - Present
- Lecturer - Tony Cane - Present

The meeting is now officially opened for business:

**Chaplains Report:** Fr. Lawton spoke about vocations are on the rise and most notably so when reported in the secular magazine Time!

**Grand Knights Report:**

- Our new Grand Knight spoke to the incoming officers about knowing the requirements of their office and then fulfilling the role they chose to fill. We need **serious time** dedicated to successfully complete the positions YOU have chosen to fill.

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- Chancellor Rettig what is going on to the Council and Committees MUST have committee meetings. Let's get this right as next year Brother Jose will be the BOSS!
- Our Council installation of officers will be on Friday the 18th of August at 7:00 pm immediately following a mass. The installation will be followed by desserts.
- There will be a Past Grand Knights dinner on Saturday, September 30th, honoring the efforts of two Past Grand Knights. Dinner is \$20 per person. The event is open to visitors but THEY MUST BE CATHOLIC! Reservations are made in CASH.
- Our December meeting will be shared with our sisters, The Women of St. Joseph's, with each holding a short meeting and then followed by a dinner for both Knights and WOSJ at McLaughlin Hall.
- The Council will begin trimming membership following this dues cycle by submitting suspension paperwork for all members 3 years in arrears of dues.
- Fund Raisers - we have gotten lazy living off of the Trust Fund produced by the members of the council we inherited with the sale of the old council hall on 30th Avenue. The CAR SHOW will return
- If you have thoughts of being Grand Knight some day YOU MUST RUN A COMMITTEE OR FUND RAISER!
- NEW MEMBERSHIP - if you are going to propose an individual for membership it will come with the following commitment from you as a proposer:
  - you will take the member to his First, Second and Third Degree ceremonies
  - you will take the member to his first three business meetings.
- Our next officers meeting will be July 27th at 7:00pm in the Hall kitchen
- Due to cost the mailing of council newsletters is coming into the modern era. After the August posting of the newsletters all future monthly news letters will be by email with information available on the Council web site.
  - to go along with this a motion was made to change the "Patrons of the Bulletin" to "Patrons of the Knight of Columbus 5604 Web site." A second was made to the motion. It was approved by voice vote.
- The Council will be selling off excess tables and chairs from the assembly hall. Cost is \$5.00 each. See the Grand Knight if you are interested.

### **Treasurers Report:**

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| - Balance Forward from the previous month:              | \$24,991.82 |
| - Past months receipts:                                 | \$349.00    |
| - Past months balls paid as authorized by the Trustees: | \$11,849.94 |
| - Current Balance:                                      | \$13,490.88 |

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- The Treasurer asked if we were to continue the support payments to Seminarian Carlos Encinas. After discussion of Carlos' status it was determined to continue the monthly RSVP to support him.
- A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurers Report as made. It was approved by voice vote.

### **Communications:**

- A thank you card in recognition of the passing of John P. Atanasio (father of Brother Alfred Connizzo) was read to the membership.

**Financial Secretary's report:** The Financial Secretary read the bills and vouchers for the month as proposed to the Trustees for payment.

**Trustees report:** The Trustees reported they viewed the bills and vouchers of the FS and have approved all for payment.

**Chancellor's Report:** No report.

### **Report of Admissions Committee:**

- A new member was proposed and presented by Brother Diego Estigarribia, he is Patrick Keller. A motion was made for his acceptance and a second was made for his acceptance under the notice that the proposer MUST be willing to follow the guidance to proposers as noted in the Grand Knights report. The motion for acceptance was approved on voice vote.

### **Service Programs:**

- the Grand Knight took volunteers for the filing of Service Program heads requesting that general membership take positions and not expect them all to be filled by council officers.
  - Service Programs - Andrew Powers
  - Membership - Michael Cotter
  - Community - Michael Sutherland
  - Youth - Vincent Colonnese, Jr.
  - Family - Diego Estigarribia
  - Church - John Sitterly
  - Council - Jose Estigarribia
  - Pro-Life - James Vanderhorst

### **Standing Committee Reports:**

**Bocce -**

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Br. Indovina reported (1) the need for young members with strong backs to assist with heavy lifting in resurfacing the playing field and (2) the need for additional team players for Wednesday evening Bocce. There is a core group that needs new blood to come out and play under the lights.

### **Unfinished Business:**

- DGK Estigarribia solicited volunteers for the St. Joseph School Carnival Committee

### **New Business:**

- Pickle Ball was presented to the council with suggestion that we get permission from the pastor to utilize the Parish Center basketball courts (outside) as Pickle Ball courts as well. This could be a fund raiser using the courts to form a tournament as Pickle Ball is becoming a very popular pastime. Brother Powers was given permission from the GK to make initial inquiries of the pastor for using the basketball courts.

**Field Agent Report** - Brother Bob Terasco was not present.

### **District Deputy report:**

- As this is first meeting with you as your new District Deputy introducing the District Warden, Joe Scalise of St. Patrick's and Padre Louis DeSoto Assembly.
- Announced St. Joseph Council made STAR Council for the past year.
- Upcoming 1st Degree at Ss Cosmas and Damian.
- Pro Life fund raiser continues for the placement of an ultrasound across from Planned Parenthood in Sarasota.

**Fourth Degree** - No report.

### **The Good of the Order:**

#### **- Please pray for:**

- Vincent Colonnese, Sr.
- Mike and Peg Cotter
- Phil Indovina
- Sheila and Charlie McLaughlin
- recently deceased Brother George Hagle whose funeral is Today July 10th at 10:00am

**The Closing Ceremony was held.**

**Grand Knight Larry Locascio officially closed the meeting at 8:04 pm**

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Michael Sutherland, Recorder 07/08/17

As scribed from notes provided of the meeting.