

## Minutes of the Knights of Columbus Council 5604

November 02, 2017

The Meeting was opened at 7:03 p.m. by Grand Knight Larry Locascio.

- Welcomed our Chaplain: Fr. Lawton Lang, District Deputy, James Vanderhorst, new transfer in member Ed Tracy (North Carolina), new Brother Joe Cucculelli and Tom Marray.

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 - Present
- 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 - Absent

The meeting is now officially opened for business:

**Chaplains Report:** In recognition of All Souls Day Fr. Lang requested call out of names of individuals we requested prayers for.

**Reading of the Minutes:** The minutes of the preceding meeting held on 10/05/17 were read. A change was proposed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as corrected. The minutes were then approved by voice vote.

**Report of the Admissions Committee:** Brother Cotter noted (1) we have an applications for a transfer into the Council: Brother Ed Tracy from North Carolina. (2) This weekend is a membership drive after all but the Sunday 5:30pm mass. We need brother at all of the doors at all of the masses. Prospective individuals will be invited with their spouse (if applicable) to a Q & A session with Brats and beer on November 17th at McLaughlin Hall.

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### Grand Knights Report:

- Grand Knight Locascio noted the persons signing up individuals to come to the Membership drive Q & A are not responsible for attending all 3 degrees with the individual, The person who actually signs them up will. Brother Al Connizzo will be speaking before all of the masses about the K of C to rally individuals attention to joining.
- Florida State Council raffle tickets will be able to be sold at the St. Joseph School Carnival this month. We will be provided a booth to do so. Brother Larry will meet with our FS and raffle chairman, Frank Sweeney, do determine how to handle the ticket stubs and cash generated from the sales and let the council know how this is to be done.
- Brother Connizzo hopes to bring stubs from sold raffle tickets and cash for the sales to the next State Officers meeting in order for those sales to qualify for a quick start raffle prize.
- A reminder that ALL items to go into the Council web site and monthly enews letter is to be submitted in writing to Brother Sutherland via email.
- Our December meeting will be a joint meeting with the WOSJ on Thursday December 7th. This is a combined meeting for each and Christmas get together.
- Our last pancake breakfast was good but clean up was noted by the parish supervision as not quite adequate. Brother Larry noted and asked for a 10am cleaning crew to come in as the cooks finish up and take it to the end. If we can not support this the pancake breakfasts will come to an end.
- YOUR council is RUNNING OUT OF MONEY! We have not had any serious fund raisers in years other than the pancake breakfast and we have been living off of the older members past efforts through the spending of the funds from sale of the old council hall. We MUST HAVE A FUND RAISER BY JANUARY.

**Communications** A letter was read from Principal Suddarth approving our sale of raffle tickets at the carnival and requesting our presence to cook at the carnival and thanking us for all we do as a council.

### Treasurers Report:

- Balance Forward from the previous month: \$17229.27
- Past months receipts: \$430.00
- Past months balls paid as authorized by the Trustees: \$771.55
- Current Balance: \$16887.72
- Brother Coloneso noted of these funds that \$6779.00 is earmarked for the ultrasound fund and \$2365.00 for the vocation fund.
- A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurers Report as made. It was approved by voice vote.

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

**Trustees report:** The Trustees noted they reviewed the pending bills and vouchers for such and have approved payments.

### **Chancellor's Report:**

- Brother Rettig noted there are 10 thousand baby boomers retiring each day. We are in need of new members so don't be afraid to ASK A RETIREE.
- Upcoming and ongoing are (1) Florida State Raffle and (2) our car show early next year with Brother Vanderhorst in charge.
- Golf cart ministry is ready to move but needs more volunteers. The donated cart is repaired and a location on the north side of the church is where it will work from. It will make rounds at the 4:00pm mass on Saturday and the 9:00 and 11:00am masses on Sunday. It is requested we have 6 volunteers per mass for a designated driver and standby driver so you would drive about once a month. You would need to be at mass about 30 minutes early to transport those in need. Training to be announced.
- Youth -
  - Soccer challenge awards were given out and the regionals held here at St. Joe's. One local individual moved on to state.
  - The annual Spelling Bee is November 15th in the St. Joseph Room at school. Volunteers are required to grade the event.
  - upcoming is the Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest.
  - Scholarship inputs for those on Knights Scholarships are due to Brother Connizzo.
- Thank you to those brothers who signed up to work all four days of the carnival. Please sign up for a specific day if you have not already done so.

**Un-finished Business: None.**

**New Business: None**

**Field Agent Report** - No report.

### **District Deputy report:**

- DD noted the Need to get along. We are a Brotherhood and need to work with one another and to SUPPORT OUR PRIESTS.
- Provided recognition
  - 2016 Star Council for 5604 with GK Vanderhorst, Program Director Connizzo and Membership Director Cotter

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- Brother Diego Estigarribia as Outstanding Knight award.

**Fourth Degree** - Fourth Degree the November 4th Military Ball at IMG Country Club.

Good of the Order:

- **Please pray for:**

- Vincent Colonneso, Sr.
- Mike Cotter (upcoming surgery)
- Phylis Godrella
- Tom Murray (upcoming surgery)

**Recognition:**

**First Degree Certificate - Brother Joe Cuccilleli**

**The Closing Ceremony was held.**

**Grand Knight Larry Locascio officially closed the meeting at 8:10 pm**

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Michael Sutherland, Recorder 11/06/17

As scribed from notes provided of the meeting.