

Minutes of the Knights of Columbus Council 5604

Meeting: January 9, 2020

Meeting opened at 7:00 hours by GK Ed Coletta

Recognized Dignitaries or visitors:
Joe Scalise, DD
Rob Forcella, Insurance Agent

A prayer was offered by Father Shawn.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call of Officers was made and noted as follows:

Chaplain Father Shawn; Ed Coletta, GK; Tom Reese, DGK; Rob Belville, Chancellor; Dave Wagner, Warden; Larry Locascio, FS; Vince Colonnese, Treasurer; Andy Minor, Recorder (excused); Diego Estigarribia, Inside Guard (excused); John Diedam, Inside Guard (absent); Edmond Francois, Outside Guard (absent); Phil Indovina, Advocate; Tony Cane, Lecturer/1 year Trustee; Jose Estigarribia, 3 year Trustee; Mike Cotter, 2 year Trustee.

The Opening Ode was Sung

The Meeting is now officially opened for business. Grand Knight opened the meeting at 7PM.

Report of the Chaplain: Father Shawn gave a report on vocation and how important it is to keep them in our prayers. Also mentioned the new seminarians that may need our help.

Minutes of the preceding meeting of December 5, 2019 were read and a motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as Al Connizzo made the motion and James Vanderhorst second and the minutes were approved by voice vote.

Report of Admissions Committee: Mike Cotter no new members at this time; however, we have 3 new Brothers taking their 1st Degree on January 14, 2020 at Holy Cross starting at 7PM.

Grand Knights report:

Ed Coletta delivered his report –

- Thank Al & Sue Connizzo for their work for the Christmas Dinner with the Ladies of St. Joseph.
- Thank Vince for all the work he does running our Youth Programs (Essay Contest and Keep Christ in Christmas (poster contest).
- Jim Frame with Habitat for Humanity would like to know if the Knights would be interested in volunteering to cook at their Spaghetti Dinner in March (?)
- Form 1728 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity has to be turned in to the Department of Fraternal Mission by January 31, 2020.
- Vince will need help on January 15th at 3:30 pm at the Gym for the Basketball Free Throw Contest.
- All Officers should take the Safety Course as soon as possible.
- Haven't heard anything from the State or Supreme on all the hard work and money spent on the Retention Committee issues.
- Prayers need for James Vanderhorst's wife RuthAnn.
- 1st Degree will be on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at Holy Cross starting at 7PM.
- The next Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday, January 19, 2020 after 7:30 and 9 AM Masses.
- All members should go to our Website (kofc5604.org) for all minutes.

- Next Officers meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2020 at 6 PM.
- Golf Cart --
 1. Sold tickets at St. Bernard's on AMI
 2. January 11, 2020 - Tony Cane set up to bring golf cart to Flea Market to sell tickets.
 3. Andy Minor to see if we can bring golf cart and sell tickets at the Manatee County Fair (not sure yet).
 4. Need to start selling golf cart tickets after Masses on Sunday. Only have a month left!!
 5. Need all Members who have ticket money to turn in collected money and ticket stubs on or before February 6 at our next Business Meeting.
 6. There will be a Sugar Bowl Meeting, January 25, 2020 at 9AM at the Knights Hall. All interested parties are invited to help out.
 7. Andy Minor is setting up sales of the Golf Cart Tickets at the Manatee County Fair for Saturday, January 18, 2020. Need Help getting Golf Cart there and help sell tickets.
- Held our first Fraternal Benefit Knight meeting at 5:30PM at the KofC Hall. Field Agent Rob Forcella hosted an informal meeting to help out members and families in our Council about new plans that the KofC Insurance has for its members and new members.

Report of the Treasurer:

Balance Forward from previous month.....:	<u>\$10,230.86</u>
Monthly Receipts:	<u>\$ 3,664.00</u>
Bills paid as authorized by FS and trustees:	<u>\$ 791.79</u>
Balance.....:	<u>\$13,103.07</u>

Notes: Larry Locascio moved to approve and second by Al Connizzo the Treasurer's Report as read. The report was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Reading of Bills and Communications:

Ed Coletta read the communication. (1) Thank you card from our Seminarian Daniel Scanlan for our \$100 donation. (2) Thank You letter from Deborah Suddarth, Principal of St. Joe's School for our donation of \$200. (3) Received a letter from 4th Degree Monsignor Charles L. Elslander Assembly containing 8 tickets for the Annual Valentine Dinner Dance to be held on February 14, 2020. Anyone interested in going, tickets are \$20 per person or \$160 for a table of 8.

Larry Lacascio read the vouchers - all Vouchers have been signed.

Financial Secretary's Report. The Financial Secretary read the bill's and vouchers for the month as proposed to the Trustees.

Notes: Larry Lacascio read the FS secretaries report.

Trustees Report. The books are reviewed and passed to the Grand Knight. Vouchers are approved for payment.

Notes: Mike Cotter, Tony Cane and Jose Estigarribia signed the vouchers.

Chancellor's Report on Vocations: No Report

Report of Service Program Committees:

Membership: Mike Cotter – No new members at this time; however, we have 3 new members taking their 1st Degree on January 14, 2020 at 7PM at Holy Cross.

Program Director: Rob Belville – No Report

Church Director: David Leghorn – No Report

Community Director: Mike Sutherland – No Report

Council Director: Jose Estigarribia – No Report

Culture of Life Director: James Vanderhorst – Jim spoke on Nine Days of Life. You can find more information on the Nine Days of Life on the KofC website.

Family Director: Tom McGill – No Report

Youth Director: Vincent Colonnese, Jr. – Basketball on January 15th at 3:30PM – Needs help 4-6 members at St. Joe's Gym.

Standing Committee Reports: Bocce Ball - Phil Indovina - Bocce Tournament cancelled, lack of interest.

Unfinished Business: Update Catholic Charities Sugar Bowl. Meeting January 25, 2020 at 9AM at KofC Hall. Columbian meeting February 6, 2020 at 6PM KofC Hall.

New Business: No new business.

Fourth Degree Report: Assembly Meeting January 23, 2020 at 6:30PM - Potluck Dinner. Sun Coast Mummers and String Band is Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 6:30PM at the Parish Center, tickets are \$10. Catholic School Week, would like Knights to consider lead a Flag Raising Ceremony on Thursday, January 30, 2020 at 8:15AM at St. Joe's School.

Field Agents Report: Rob Forcella spoke on Fraternal Benefits regarding insurance to our members and families.

District Deputy Report: Joe Scalise gave his report on the new 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degrees that will be installed in the near future. District Meeting on January 18, 2020 at St. Peter and Paul, 9AM-? At the Morretti Center on 75th Street in Bradenton. Please make every effort to attend this meeting. Attendance is for Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Director, Retention Committee members and any other Knights that would like to attend.

Knight's Knowledge: Tom Reese, Deputy Grand Knight Provided knowledge on how to address the Grand Knight and how to say the Rosary and explained the mysteries.

Good of the Order: Pray for James Vanderhorst's wife Ruth Ann, John Sinclair's daughter, David Wagner's daughter and prayers for all their families. Tony prepared Italian subs for dinner. Golf Cart tickets are for sale, need more Knights to be involved.

Closing Prayer: Father Shawn offered the closing prayer.

Closing Ode was sung by all.

Meeting Adjourned (time): Grand Knight Ed Coletta officially closed the meeting at 8:03PM.