



Minutes of Business Meeting

January 5, 2017

Call to Order By: Grand Knight Walter Dworak

The Warden certified that all present were members of the Knights of Columbus and have their Membership cards: Yes

The meeting began with an opening prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance and the opening ode.

Roll Call of Officers and Trustees: All present.

Attendance: 35

Minutes: Minutes from the last meeting of December 1, 2016 were read and approved.

Correspondence: None

Grand Knights Report:

Due to cold weather the crèche will be taken down on Saturday 1/14/17.

Volunteers are needed to set up for the Polish Night Dinner on January 28th.

To review and comment on Council donations and cash flow John Pantaleo and Ed Biebrich provided handouts. It was questioned why as Catholics are we donating to the Moore County Free Clinic who support birth control and abortions. A motion was made and passed to instead add those donations to the Life Care Pregnancy Center. Ed reported that without the 300 Club and the EXPO our main income is dues. John stated that with an unsure future we need to rely on programs such as Bingo and State Raffles. It was noted that 50% of Parish Poor Box goes to the Coalition and 50% to our parishioners.

Deputy Grand Knight Tom Ross reported that donations made by attending member's is to pay for the food served after the meeting with any overage going to a lucky member

Chaplain's Report:

Reverend Burch reported the following Brothers in Distress: Jeff Sylvester, Bob Casey, Neil Cote, David LaLonde, Jack Duvall, Stephen Coppola as well as Jean Brady. Please Remember them in your prayers. Father also reminded all that Bill Jones funeral mass is Friday January 6th at 11AM.

Treasurer's Report:

As of 12/1/16 our account was at \$30,294.99 and \$28,408.57 on 12/31/16

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Financial Secretary's Report:

Dues for this year are \$36. Ed reported that he put a widow's report on email showing 19 Knights to stay in touch with 34 widows.

Service Programs:

Joe Chavez thanked all those who helped in the Christmas Card sales. LAMB, John Palacios reported that \$3245 was collected outside church and was deposited. We will continue to collect this way in 2017. He is preparing letters to stores for permission to collect in the April/May and Sept/Oct timeframe. Another letter is being prepared to send to council members for donations. Lastly, a letter to The Pilot newspaper on council letterhead is being drafted to arrange for an article in the paper requesting donations for LAMB

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Report of Fourth Degree:

Al Siano reported the next meeting late January or early February will be a Renewal of Obligation.

Unfinished Business:

Polish Night. Tom Ross reported that so far he has 61 signed up. Payment will be at the door, cash or check, checks made out to the Council. Essay Contest. Marty Matula reported that he has collected two more essays than in past years. First prize is \$100, second \$50 and third \$25. Veterans Angel Tree. Dan Conrad reported that \$2825 was collected this year.

New Business:

Joe Harenski talked about whether Knights were interested in working at various jobs at Habitat. meeting for a Habitat rep could be arranged.

Sick or in Distress:

See Chaplains Report.

District Deputy's Report:

None

Miscellaneous Notes:

None

Concluded with a closing prayer and the closing ode.

Respectfully Submitted,

George Nagel, Recorder