

## K of C Council 5300

### Business Meeting Minutes

Monday January 10, 2022

The regular scheduled Council 5300 Officers meeting was called to order by GK Bill Fuhrer at 7:03 pm at the customary St Raphael church hall main assembly room. 13 brothers signed into the attendance log, Bros. Scholl, Fuhrer, Filippello, McDonald, Arnoult, Feeney, Bonsell, Bravo, Sanchez, Cardenas, Barrejo, and Patrick and Frank Donohoe. In standard protocol the GK conducted the pledge and opening prayer. Role call of the officers by the recorder showed all present except Bros. Bradbury, Marks, DiMauro, Vampola, Turney and Meza. Minutes of the last business meeting were read by the Recorder, and were voted accepted as read.

**Grand knight's Report.** GK Fuhrer reported that the pancake breakfast for Sunday 1/9/22 was successful with some 56 paying customers. Workers were shorthanded, only 3 in kitchen vs normal 5 to cook, but all went well. Most customers were after the 9 am mass, only about a dozen after the 7AM.

**Financial Secretary Report.** FS Filippello read his monthly financial report into the record. Key points included the following:

1. Several thank you cards and notes were received, in response to our donations.
2. Building fund balance is over \$921k. (See 'Old Business' below for further discussion on Building Fund balance).
3. Charity expenditures about \$6000.
4. Council expenditures about \$600
5. Widows candy gifts about \$530, distributed by Bro Scholl and his volunteer brothers.

Full report is on file with FS and Recorder.

**Treasurer Report.** Treasurer Bonsell reported Checking acct balance about \$39,000, and GK account \$569.

**Pro Life Chairman Report** – Bro Kirk filed a written report, added to these minutes, outlining recent activities and plans. Daily vigils at Planned Parenthood continue. The 'One life LA' march will occur 1/22/22, and '40 days for Life' starts 3/2/22, as lent begins.

**Membership Report** . There was none.

**Deputy GK Report**– There was none.

**District Deputy Report** – DD Arnoult discussed another upcoming committee meeting to make concrete proposals for changes in the Building fund management. Bro Sanchez and others have suggested that an amount of \$100 k or \$200K be withdrawn from our active trading account and placed in a money market or other similar passive vehicle to minimize risk. Such changes might be adopted at an upcoming council business meeting and then quickly implemented via direction to our professional manager (Terry Sliger at Edward Jones). All hope this project can be moved forward with minimum delay.

DD Arnoult reported attending a meeting in Visalia with more than 200 attendees aiming to promote the order, emphasizing recruitment via 'invitations'. Prospect cards with QR codes are tools to ease this task.

**4<sup>th</sup> degree Report** – FN Scholl reported his hope that the dinner meeting scheduled for 1/17/22 can be carried out on schedule, with no interference from COVID issues.

**Old Business.** Discussion was held on Council plans to hold Fish Fry events on the 6 Fridays of lent in 2022 as we have normally done. Adding to the logistic issues brought up at the last business meetings, Bro Feeney pointed out how steeply the problems have increased recently with COVID case rates rising. Bro Scholl again volunteered to lead the entire Fish Fry, but all hands agreed that much must go well for the project to succeed. Bro Feeney moved that we table the project, with cancellation probable at the Feb meeting if COVID does not let up.

In the same subject area, FS Filippello said he is holding up on paying alcohol license fees for the fish fries until the project is on solid footing.

**Good of the Order,** Please continue prayers for healing for Katherine DiMauro, now in the hands of God. Please pray for PGK Bob Montgomery, and for Carol McLafferty, Bro Bob Marks, and SK John Kestel, all still in chemo treatment. Please pray for SK Jim Bradbury, recovering from a 2<sup>nd</sup> bout of COVID 19. Please pray for recovery of Bro Jose Meza and for his wife Maria Meza, from her illness, and for Elaine McNamara, widow of PGK Bill who has had surgery. Pray for the souls of Bro Fred Brokaski, Bro Jim Abels, Rev Frank Colburn, PGK Bill Malloy, Nathaniel Montross, and for Julie Sanchez' sister Jenny Lopez, and for Felix's sister and niece, all having passed away, and for Julie's sister Anita Pullens who is in recovery. Further please pray for the family of Felix's brother, whose home recently burned. Please pray for Tony Cordero who has neurological issues resulting from Covid 19. And in summary, let us all pray for all the people in the world who suffer with COVID, and other illnesses, with fire, floods, war attacks, and the mental strain of dealing with all of these issues.

Meeting was closed with a prayer by the GK at 8:30 pm.