



1. OPENING

Mark Goedecke, Grand Knight, declared the meeting open on Thursday, November 4, 2014 at 7:36 p.m. with an opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. The Warden vouched that all present held current membership cards: 21 members were in attendance.

2. ROLL CALL

<i>Title</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Status</i>
Grand Knight	Mark Goedecke	Present
Deputy Grand Knight	Tim Lyons	Present
Chaplain	Rev. Fr. David Flori	Excused
Assistant Chaplain	Rev. Fr. Benito Tamez	Excused
Assistant Chaplain	Rev. Carl Thelin	Excused
Assistant Chaplain	Rev. Paul Reittinger	Excused
Financial Secretary	Derek Glatz	Present
Chancellor	Joe Prampin	Excused
Treasurer	Rick Donnelly	Present
Recorder	Michael Koenecke	Present
Advocate	Tony Casmus	Present
Warden	Richard Villareal	Present
Trustee 1	Carey Leslie	Excused
Trustee 2	Jerry Dreher	Present
Trustee 3	Chris Curto	Present
Outside Guard	John Danna	Excused
Inside Guard	Tony Pirro	Present
Field Agent	Scott Shaw	Present
District Deputy	Bernie Grant	Present

3. OPENING ODE AND MINUTES

The Council then sang the Opening Ode. Minutes from the previous meeting of the Council were made available to Council members online, with paper versions at the meeting. The minutes were accepted as written via motion made, seconded, and approved unanimously.

4. RECRUITING REPORT

One application from William Krueger was reported. He was a Knight in a council in Austin. Two members spoke in his favor, and Tony Casmus added that he is an Aggie. Despite that factor, William Krueger was approved unanimously.

5. GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT



The Grand Knight, Mark Goedecke, said he had some interesting news: on Saturday, he will get a key to a dedicated storage room/office on the second floor of the Parish Center. We will keep our ceremonial supplies there, so meetings will be a bit easier to organize in the future. Last month we had many activities: October 4 we cooked for the Hike for Life at Breckenridge Park: 120 hot dogs and 160 hamburgers, as the hikers were hungry. He received a message from Bob Seegmiller, who had hoped to attend tonight's meeting, but was not able. Bob expressed his thanks for all those who helped out with the Hike for Life; he and the other Hike for Life Board members will be meeting to plan for the future, and will coordinate with Kim Garza, Youth Director, to coordinate. On October 5 we had the Living Rosary in the church, and had plenty of participants. October 17 was the White Rose Classic golf tournament: the Grand Knight thanked everyone who helped and who participated. There will be a meeting in the next couple of weeks about the tournament to plan future tournaments, particularly with respect to rebranding it to focus more on the White Rose and expand to other parishes and organizations. This year it earned approximately \$29,300, which is a nice step up from last year's \$24,000 or so. We hope to continue expanding participation in the tournament in the future. October was the Month of the Rosary, where we prayed the Rosary after 9:15 Mass each Sunday. There was good attendance by our council, but not many parishioners participated. We also had a nice visit to Lakewood Brewery, where 13 people attended, including three prospects: good food, good beer, a good time. Bob Fisher suggested that we schedule a wine tasting, where wives could participate as well, so we will be looking into that. Our blood drive has been cancelled: Tim Lyons, Deputy Grand Knight, noted that there was a mixup on the dates with Carter Blood Care, so that will be rescheduled for a later date. Joe Semler noted that we can always go by their donation facility and credit St. Paul Church. The Grand Knight delivered some checks: \$100 to an assembly for a veterans' barbecue, and \$400 to the school for the Fall Festival and also to print some Safe Environment badges with pictures for us. He also delivered \$150 to Mary Kaniss, chairperson of the rosary makers, which will enable them to make 750 more rosaries. There will be a Bingo this Saturday night after 5:30 Mass in the Parish Hall, and the Grand Knight encouraged our members to assist parishioners, especially those with mobility issues, to help get down to the Parish Hall for Bingo so that we will not suffer a drop in participation. The Mass will be a corporate communion, and RSVPs have been requested from widows of deceased Knights for that. Next Tuesday, November 11, will be the Veterans' Day Parade: Jim Massey has been rounding up automobiles and dignitaries. We will start around 9:00 a.m. here at the Parish Center and parade to the school and church. Jerry Dreher said that Jim has been tied up: we may have to furnish up to four drivers for cars to bring vehicles from the local Dodge dealer. Joe Semler noted that the drivers should be at the Dodge dealership by 7:30, and will need drivers' licenses and insurance cards.

6. TREASURERS REPORT.

Rick Donnelly, Treasurer, reported that we have \$20,759.52 in the bank.

7. FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Financial Secretary, Derek Glatz, reported that he has one receipt and six vouchers prepared.



8. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

The Chancellor was excused. Pablo Gonzales brought a DVD of activities and passed around three lists for people to help out with Bingo at the Gardens for Tuesday, November 18 at the Gardens, and Trains at Northpark for December 19. There is another murder mystery in "living black and white" put on by the Pegasus Theater at the Eisemann Center on December 29, which we are hoping to get a group to go attend.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chris Curto talked about the Bingo this Saturday, noting that we need people to help out by serving food and passing out cards, and also encouraged people to attend the preceding memorial Mass. He is planning on cooking for around 120 participants, but it is hard to tell what kind of crowd we will have. The Women's Guild bake sale will be in the cafeteria all that weekend as well. We will start serving dinner at around 6:30, just after Mass. Helpers will meet at 3:00 p.m. at the shed to help set up. He needs extra help this time since this will be the first time using the new kitchen in the Parish Hall. The Grand Knight noted that this building has "shunt breakers," which will turn off the power via an internal shunt: David Schirm suggested that we turn all the breakers off and on again before using the kitchen to make sure they are working.

The Grand Knight said he is still trying to get our support checks to our seminarians. We sent in four checks, but got a letter back from the diocese saying that one of our seminarians had left the seminary, and they could not locate another one of them. We have chosen another seminarian to support, Miguel Saltillo, at Holy Trinity Seminary, but have found that he is being supported by another Council as well. The council voted to find someone else who is not being supported by anyone. Joe Semler suggested running the check personally up to Rita at the seminary, who would make sure it is delivered. We will be submitting a full page ad to the Knights of Columbus basketball tournament shortly.

10. NEW BUSINESS

The Grand Knight asked for new business, and Rick Donelli encouraged members to participate in the upcoming Men's ACTS Retreat. It was noted that some members will be missing next month's meeting due to that retreat.

11. FIELD AGENT'S REPORT

The Field Agent noted that the Knights are now carrying term policies to age 85, which can be issued to those up to age 70. On the younger side of the spectrum, we have young adults insurance for very good rates. He asked anyone who has any questions with respect to insurance to give him a call.

12. DISTRICT DEPUTYS REPORT



The District Deputy asked if any members here were on the Membership Committee, and clarified that everyone is on the Membership Committee. He has five councils in this district, and this council is fifth in membership. He asked all Knights to ask their neighbors about joining the Knights: one person, per month, for each man in the room. Do not be afraid of people saying "no." One fellow said "no" thirty six times, then eventually relented, and now is saying he does not understand why he did not join earlier. He thanked our Membership Chairman for at least starting the process and getting it rolling. He asked our Council to contribute \$50 for a District ad for the basketball tournament, and the Grand Knight agreed on behalf of the council. The Assistant District Deputy said the State goal for membership this year was to increase by 5,239. There are five dormant Councils in the state. 67% of all parishes in the state have Councils. We recruited 574 new members last year, and our goal this year is 645. Quotas are, of course, the minimum required number to achieve something (in this case, Star Council). The quotas are based on an average, and this area is way above average. He encouraged all of us to achieve better than the set quotas, because the way Dallas goes, the state goes, and the way all of the Knights go. About half make their quota, and half do not. Often people have excused for not recruiting, all these problems have been solved. If we do not do it, who will? It is all of our responsibility to keep recruiting, or we will go the way of organizations which were once successful, but have died out. The District Deputy added that, for any council in this district that makes Star Council, there is a free keg of beer this year.

13. FURTHER NEW BUSINESS

Joe Semler noted that Frank Kormos, in attendance at the meeting, will be 100 years old in a week. Also, at Special Olympics bowling, Jerry Dreher and our Assistant District Deputy have attended and helped. The Grand Knight said we would proceed with recruiting as soon as possible: we can grow this council, it will just take a bit of effort.

14. FURTHER GRAND KNIGHT REPORTS

The Grand Knight asked for additions to the sick and distressed list, which were appended to the list attached to these minutes. The District Deputy will be having a heart procedure soon, and asked for our prayers in support.

15. MISSING REPORTS

There were no reports from the Chaplain, the Auditors and Trustees, or the Fourth Degree.

16. WRAP-UP AND CLOSING

The Grand Knight closed the meeting with an Our Father, Hail Mary, and a Glory Be, in thanks for the return to health of some of our brother Knights, and for those on our prayer list. The closing ode was sung, and the meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

