



1. OPENING

Tim Lyons, Grand Knight, declared the meeting open on Thursday, July 2, 2015 at 7:35 p.m. with an opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. The Warden vouched that all present held current membership cards: 18 members were in attendance.

2. ROLL CALL

<i>Title</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Status</i>
Grand Knight	Tim Lyons	Present
Deputy Grand Knight	Tony Casmus	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	Present
Treasurer	Rick Donnelly	Absent
Recorder	Michael Koenecke	Present
Advocate		Absent
Warden	Richard Villareal	Present
Trustee 1	Jerry Dreher	Present
Trustee 2	Chris Curto	Absent
Trustee 3	Mark Goedecke	Present
Outside Guard	John Danna	Present
Inside Guard	Tony Pirro	Present
Field Agent	Ryan Conklin	Excused
District Deputy	Reed Fontenot	Present

3. OPENING ODE AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Council then sang the Opening Ode. Minutes from the previous meeting of the Council were distributed to Council members. The June minutes were approved with some minor corrections, unanimously on motion made and seconded.

4. GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

The Grand Knight reported on the officers installation Mass and ceremony the preceding Saturday, and thanked all who were involved in preparing the event. He noted that the women's ACTS team has asked our Council, the Men's Club, and the Women's Guild as an act of service to provide them with lunch for their team mini-retreat on July 25. He attended a kickoff meeting for the upcoming White Rose Golf Tournament on October 23: our Council is supposed to handle the day's activities and recruit donors. Last year was a very successful event, and this year's goals will be ambitious. Mark Goedecke, Past Grand Knight, volunteered to be the point person for the golf tournament this year. Mark also commended our worthy Warden, Richard Villareal, who is our Knight of the Year. The Grand Knight noted that Bill Archer and his family are Family of the Year.



5. TREASURERS AND FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORTS

There was no Treasurer's report. The Financial Secretary, Derek Glatz, reported monthly income for June of \$112.00, expenses were nearly \$3,000 with scholarships, a wedding gift, the prison retreat, and altar servers support, yielding a net loss of around \$2,800. The District Deputy asked for our last year's recruitment total: Mark Goedecke reported that we only had one new member last year, losing two or three. The District Deputy inquired about new insurance members: we had a couple.

6. AUDITORS AND TRUSTEES REPORT

According to the Financial Secretary, the audit will commence soon.

7. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

The Chancellor reported on programs: tomorrow will be our first program, that being the independence day parade, and encouraged as many Knights as possible to attend. The Gardens of Richardson is now called Cottonwood Creek Health Care Community ("CCHC"). We have approximately ten Knights signed up for the parade tomorrow. He passed around a list of upcoming events at the Eisemann Center to consider attending with a Knights group. Tony Casmus attended the prison retreat last weekend, and reported that it went well. Bill Archer, our Youth Director, did a very good job on the altar server appreciation event, where 42 altar servers attended. Bob Seegmiller reported on a couple of dates: the Hike for Life is Saturday, September 26, and 40 Days for Life starts on September 23, running through November 1, at the Southwest Surgery Center on Greenville. He also mentioned House Bill 2, which regulated abortion facilities in the state, the lawsuit challenging some of these restrictions has made it to the U.S. Supreme Court, which has issued a stay on the law pending a ruling. Routh Street abortion clinic has closed. In 1990 there were 13 abortion clinics in Dallas; currently there are only two. He also mentioned how important our support for the White Rose Center: in their 2014 Annual Report, he noted that the golf tournament makes up 19% of their funding.

There was no information about membership retention and recruiting.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Grand Knight mentioned the proposed gift for Carlos Esparza: Mark Goedecke noted that no particular dollar amount was agreed on. He has looked at a catalog of stoles for priests, which run from \$100 to \$500. He will also check the Knights catalog, and has asked his wife Liz to check with another supplier. Bob Seegmiller noted that we need two votes to spend more than \$500, so it was moved that we spend up to \$499.99 for a gift for Carlos Esparza, S.J. The District Deputy noted that this expenditure could be put in next year's budget, so the motion was withdrawn.

9. REPORT FROM THE FOURTH DEGREE

Jim Massey reported that not much is going on; they have chosen corporate communion dates, and October 3 is the next exemplification. Applications need to be in by the end of August. He also noted that there is no longer any waiting period between becoming a third degree and a fourth degree Knight.



10. NEW BUSINESS

The Grand Knight noted that we need to complete our elections by filling the position of Advocate. The District Deputy ran the election according to the rules and procedures of the Order, and Aaron Smith was elected to that position by acclamation.

The Financial Secretary passed around a proposed budget and the prior year's figures. Jerry Dreher moved to table the budget for revisions, noting that we can vote to amend it at our next meeting, then approve the amended budget. The Grand Knight agreed to table the budget and discuss it at the next planning meeting.

The Grand Knight asked for more new business. Joe Semler noted the welcome back dinner for Holy Trinity Seminary is on September 19, and said we should be able to get ten people to attend our table at the banquet.

Mark Goedecke mentioned that we got a thank you note from Ronald McDonald House for our donation. He reminded the council that we are participating in a grocery store card program for Tom Thumb, and read thank you notes from Alexander Misbrock, seminarian, plus two requests for donations.

11. REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY

The District Deputy, Reed Fontenot, reported that our former District Deputy is in the hospital. He enjoyed attending our installation. The District Deputy recounted his personal history in the Knights, and detailed procedures for suspending delinquent Knights. He encouraged our council to reach Star Council status, for which we need nine new members and three new insurance members for our quota, plus various activities. He also suggested that our council start a Squires Circle. The District Deputy will consider hosting a Major Degree at our Parish Center in October, December, or February. There is a Diocesan meeting on July 25, which is a recommended training event.

12. MISSING REPORTS

There were no reports from the Chaplain, Treasurer, or Field Agent.

13. DDC REPORT

Bob Seegmiller reported that the DDC will not meet in July, but that we will need a DDC representation for the August meeting.

14. WRAP-UP AND CLOSING

The Grand Knight read the names from the current sick and distressed list, and accepted additions. Bob Seegmiller asked that we pray for the sanctity of marriage. The Grand Knight then closed the meeting with a prayer and the closing ode: the meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

