



1. OPENING

Tim Lyons, Grand Knight, declared the meeting open on Thursday, November 5, 2015 at 7:34 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

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

3. OPENING ODE AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Council then sang the Opening Ode. Minutes from the previous meeting of the Council were distributed. Upon motion, seconded, the minutes were approved as presented unanimously.

4. REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Tony Casmus reported that Eric Puentes has requested to transfer in to our Council, and has submitted a Form 100. He lives in Garland. The Financial Secretary will follow up on the new member. Jim Kowalski, Assistant Diocesan Deputy for Membership, then spoke about recruiting, first noting that the Honorary Life Cards are not sufficient for admittance to the State Convention or to meetings: a current paper membership card is necessary. He said the best opportunity for recruiting is after Mass: go talk to someone at their house. He no longer asks people if they want to join: that just results in frequent negative answers. He suggests talking to people and just telling them about the Knights: a Catholic, international, charitable, fraternal organization founded by Father Michael McGivney in New Haven, Connecticut. We want to strengthen our families and our



church. You don't have to memorize everything we do: just remember we support the clergy, cook and serve food at nursing homes, support fire and police, Special Olympics, pro-life events (more than \$13 million to date), recite the Rosary, hold annual Hikes for Life, support sonograms for pregnant women. In Texas we have 100,000 Knights of Columbus, the largest jurisdiction in the world. There are more Knights in the Dallas Diocese than in the State of Oklahoma. "If any member does it somewhere in the world, you're part of it." We hold parish blood drives, clothing drives, distribute prayer books and equipment for disabled. We assist at local and national catastrophes. We need to *sell* the Knights of Columbus: asking is not good enough any more.

5. DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

No report.

6. GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

The Grand Knight thanked everyone for all the activities in October, and noted we have a number coming up in the next few weeks. We have had good turnout at our activities: we are showing up, being visible, wearing our badges, and getting notices. Rosary attendance was much improved over recent years, and new commemorative bricks have been laid around the flagpole. Jim Massey was particularly recognized and applauded for managing that process. There have been some new rules handed down for the use of the Parish Hall: 1882 is the code for the Knights to enter the Parish Center. There is no published list of the rules and regulations for the Parish Center yet, but one is coming from the parish staff. We have a dinner and Bingo this Saturday. Keep up the good work, and look for opportunities to tell the story of the Knights and get some new members into our Council.

7. INSURANCE AGENT'S REPORT

No report.

8. CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

No report.

9. TREASURERS AND FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORTS

The Treasurer, Rick Donnelly, reported that we have \$19,865.44 in the bank, and we are hoping to push above the \$20,000 range. The Grand Knight noted that we have not yet received the proceeds of the most recent Spring Creek fundraiser. Joe Semler noted that Father Benito does not have a television in his room: he moved that we buy him a small one. The Grand Knight suggested that issue be moved to New Business. The Financial Secretary, Derek Glatz, reported monthly income for October of \$58.00, expenses were \$658; \$480 of that was to support the Hike for Life, \$168 to support the Habitat for Humanity, and the rest was for a veteran's barbecue at Bonham Park.

10. AUDITORS AND TRUSTEES REPORT

No report.



11. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Joe Prampin thanked all for being here, and suggested all ask someone to attend with them for the next meeting. He showed a chart of program director and sub-directors, with their assigned projects. Glenn Angel is our Church Director: Glenn reported on the October Month of the Holy Rosary, where they reached out to more organizations per Bob Fisher's suggestion. He noticed we did not have anyone from the Hispanic community who attended. Next year he would like to add another rosary after the Spanish masses. There is another ACTS retreat coming up in March, directed by David Smith. There will be another Kolbe Prison Retreat on December 4-6; Glenn asked if the Council would consider donating another \$200 to support a meal at the retreat. Joe Prampin, as Community Director, reported on the Bingo at the Gardens (now CCHC). We will also have Trains at Northpark coming up on December 18. He encouraged members to choose an event to help out at. Jim Massey reported on Special Olympics, where there is one day left tomorrow. Attendance has been low, with a number of no-shows. Basketball will start in January at Frisco and Cedar Hill. We have been doing Meals on Wheels for some time; the next one coming up is on November 12 from 10:30 to 11:30. Joe Semler reported that we deliver 20 to 22 meals at a time. They are always short of delivery people for Thanksgiving. We sponsor one low income apartment house for a couple of weeks a month. Bob Fisher, Council Director was not in attendance, but there was a successful event at Four Bullets Brewery last Saturday. On the 15th of this month will be our next blood drive; Tim Lyons stated that we need help signing people up this weekend after Masses. The blood drive is moving to the Parish Center, which may hurt donations. Mark Goedecke suggested we consider some way to shuttle people to and fro the Parish Center. He also asked if we could coordinate with the Hispanic community on breakfast. Family Director Chris Curto could not attend, but Joe reported on the dinner and Bingo this Saturday and passed around a signup sheet for setting up and clean up. Jim Massey reported on the upcoming 17th annual Veterans' Day Parade on November 11th. Frank Kormos will be 101 years old on November 16, so will be the Grand Marshal. We now have 28 total deceased veterans to be commemorated by bricks around the flagpole. Immediately after the parade we will bring up the Color Corps and rededicate the memorial around the flagpole. We have 11 bricks remaining, which he hopes will last 10 years. The Men's Club will work with 14 other bricks. It will cost around \$30 a brick, which cost should be recovered. We will have the Color Corps here for a memorial Mass, which will be held jointly with the Catholic Daughters. Bill Archer, Youth Director, had to leave, but Mark Goedecke reported on his behalf that the free throw contest coming up is well under control, and the sign up sheets are already circulating. There was another sign up sheet for the January free throw competition event made available. Culture of Life Director Bob Seegmiller was unable to make the meeting, but sent an e-mail about 40 Days for Life, which finished up this past week; he reported that 33 babies were saved in the Dallas area during the vigil. The next event is the Roe v. Wade commemorative Mass in January. The DDC meeting is November 19.

The council observed a minute of silence in honor of Len Jankowiak, council member, who died during the past week.

The White Rose Golf Tournament is coming up on November 13; Mark Goedecke reported that the



final planning meeting will be tomorrow night. The tournament was rained out, but rescheduled, and Mark hoped that all volunteers would show up at the new date. Tim Lyons said he would not be able to attend, so someone else is needed to run the long drive contest. We are running a bit behind what we did last year in terms of fund raising for the tournament. Think about the White Rose. Joe Prampin thanked all for helping out with the activities, and urged members to fill the sign up sheets. Bernie Gotway reported on the upcoming Christmas singalong, which started in 2002. It will be December 20th, as it is always the Sunday before Christmas. This is a chance to come and sing.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Grand Knight asked for unfinished business: Mark Goedecke mentioned he does have a few passbooks left to sell. They will be marketed at the Women's Guild bake sale coming up this weekend. There are about 32 left to sell: remind your fellow Knights, ask if they have bought one. Roger Seburger noted that we should be sure to have an announcement after the 5:30 Mass about the Bingo to remind people to come to the Parish Center. Bernie Gotway suggested that we have some signs up by the school, plus someone to direct people to the Parish Center for that.

13. NEW BUSINESS

The Grand Knight asked for new business: Joe Semler asked for a television for Father Benito, and Mike Koenecke volunteered a Sharp television he has for that. Jim Massey noted that we will be having a memorial Mass in November, the Color Corps will handle it. The Grand Knight got a thank you note from our scholarship winner, Theodore Uhrik. We also got a card for our help and support for Lou Lenzer's funeral back in October of 2014, one from Brian Kepovik, a seminarian in Louisiana we support, and one from Paul Wearden's family. Bernie Gotway noted that he became a Knight because his two brothers were Knights, and he knew that the Knights prayed for members who died. This is an organization that specifically prays for people. Joe Prampin again asked members to sign up on the sign up sheets.

14. WRAP-UP AND CLOSING

The Grand Knight read the names from the current sick and distressed list, and accepted additions. He asked for the Good of the Order. The Grand Knight then closed the meeting with a Hail Mary prayer and the closing ode: the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:53 p.m.

