

# Business meeting : November 6, 2019

**Pre-meeting:** The rosary was said at 7:00.

**Call To Order: Grand Knight Bill Lahr at 7:40 PM**

*Grand Knight* (One rap of gavel): Brothers, we are about to open this council in the first section. All persons not having received the honors of membership in the first section shall please retire from the chamber. The doors shall now be closed, and the guards assume their positions. (In their absence, the grand knight shall appoint guards for the time being.)

**Warden's Report on Membership Card: Mark Majdosz (Warden Frank Williams was not present)**

*Grand Knight:* Worthy warden, do you vouch that all present are in possession of the current membership card? (Warden salutes and proceeds to inspect membership cards.)

*Warden:* Worthy grand knight (salutes). I vouch that all present are in possession of the current membership card. (Salutes grand knight and deputy grand knight.)

**Opening Prayer: Chaplain Paschal Onunwa**

**Pledge of Allegiance: Grand Knight Bill Lahr**

**Roll Call of Officers:**

*Grand Knight:* The recorder will call the roll of officers. (Two raps. The recorder calls the roll of all officers. The warden answers in his place for all officers called. As each officer is declared present, he is seated. In the absence of chair officers, the grand knight shall appoint officers for the time being.)

Grand Knight:	Bill Lahr	
Chaplain:	Father Onunwa	
Deputy Grand Knight	Ken Bucker	
Chancellor	Rob Hessler	
Recorder	Rich Rospond	
Treasurer	Gerry Monagle	
Lecturer		
Advocate	Earl Walton	
Warden	Frank Williams (Excused)	
Inside Guard	Rich Szczurowski (Excused)	Gary Driscoll
Outside Guard	Noel Pelletier (Excused)	Josh Linden
Trustee for One Year	Jim Brennan	
Trustee for Two Years	Mike Dougherty	
Trustee for Three Years	Mark Majdosz	
Financial Secretary	Chuck Nicholson	

**Chaplain's Report (Fr. Onunwa):** This is the month of all saints and all souls. The church suffering is all souls, those awaiting heaven. The church triumphant is all saints, those in heaven. The church militant is us...those on earth fighting for God. Remember to always serve others, something that is an inconvenience to us is pleasing to God.

**Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting** - minutes were approved as posted.

**Report of Admission Committee and Reading of Applications** - one new application; James Johnson from St. Robert Bellarmine. Motion to approve for membership carried.

**Grand Knight's Report.** Remember that OLMC 40 hours is coming up in November (10 and 11) and the council has promised to ensure that someone will be in church overnight. Thanks to all those who have signed up. Opportunities to sign up still exist.

**Treasurer's Report** - All funds are now in a single bank - Covenant - who sponsored our dance. Overall balance of funds is \$45,343.78 See the council website for detailed breakdown of our funds.

**Reading of Bills and Communications / Financial Secretary's report.**

Nothing to report.

**Report of Auditors and Trustees.** None

## Report of Standing Committees

**Fundraising/Budget:** no new report

**Golf bash:** date will be Feb 22 at St. Robert's. Planning is underway. Excellent prizes available.

**Dance:** this needs a chairman or a committee to step forward.

**Golf Outing:** Tom Hendricks reported roughly \$18,500 net proceeds this year. Scott Whitney will take over as committee chairman. Outing will take place September 21 2020.

## Unfinished Business

- Mark Majdosz is setting dates for the "Special Needs" bucket drives. Signup sheets will be created and sent. Deacon Fowkes reports that the parish will meet the \$500 that the council has pledged, totaling \$1000 for the budget of the special needs CCD program. He also communicated to Fr. Twal in Jordan that we commit to \$10,000 over 5 years at \$2,000 per year. Checks for that can be written to OLMC parish Jordan fund.
- Legacy of Life baby bottle drive raised \$10,871, an increase of \$4,000 over previous year. This is attributed to the involvement of the Knights. Thanks to all who took part.
- The ultrasound machine was finally delivered to Legacy of Life in Philadelphia this week. Plans are being made to have a blessing ceremony, hopefully with Archbishop Chaput.
- Degree team practice will take place Sunday evening Nov 10 at St. Robert's. On Sunday November 17 a first and second degree ceremony will be held. Candidates to arrive by 7 PM.
- Coats for Kids - deliveries were made, 3 cases to St. Vincent dePaul at OLMC, 3 cases to FEAST program at St. Robert Bellarmine.
- Keep Christ in Christmas banners - new banner was purchased for display at St. Robert Bellarmine; the old banner was given to the school for display inside. OLMC will reuse their outside banner from last year.

## New Business

- 40 hours at OLMC Nov 10 and 11.
- Recruiting drive at OLMC on Nov 23/24 at all Masses, with bagel sale after all Sunday Masses. New bagel supplier has been found.
- Christmas part will happen at St. Mary's hall on December 14. Please help identify widows so they can be invited.
- Special Olympics - we need to release the funds collected. Would be best if we can do this in time for their December 7 bowling event so they can display a large check there. 16 knights are needed to help at the bowling event. Talk to Tom Hendricks if you can attend.
- Fraternal fund needs to release \$500 to McGeehan family. Donation to POTS foundation was already made.

**Report of the Fourth Degree** - Deacon Fowkes will make his 4th degree November 9 in Grantville PA.

**Field Agent's Report.** - Tom Hendricks spoke about the importance of long-term care insurance and insuring children. Also please attend the Chambers Chili cookoff this Sunday, as they are a supporter of our council.

### District Deputy's Report.

- Monday 4-8 PM at the New Britain Inn AYCE crab night, 20% of check will go to "For the Least of Our Brothers" charity.
- The degree ceremonies will be changing at the end of this fraternal year. Details not available, but general description is that the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degrees are being combined into a single ceremony, and the ceremony will no longer be closed (i.e. family can attend).
- Fraternal survey is due at the end of January so start gathering information on the hours you have donated to the K of C.
- Mary Mother of the Redeemer council is holding a breakfast on November 10.
- Union Cemetery flag placement in honor of veterans is on Sunday November 10 at 11:45 AM.
- there is a new (USA) supplier for the 4th degree uniform.
- the K of C Mass at the basilica in March 2020; please plan to attend with family. We will think about getting a bus together and / or doing dinner afterwards.

**Good of the Order.** (Mark Majdosz's sister-in-law; Gary Driscoll's mother.)

**Closing Prayer.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM.