

To be read at council meeting on January 5, 2010

Minutes from the meeting in the First Section of **December 15, 2009** are as follows:

The meeting presided by the Deputy Grand Knight (Don Wilkinson) was called to order at 8:00 pm. All proper protocols to begin the meeting were followed including the roll call of officers.

(Below list, do not read as part of the minutes)

Grand Knight Dan Turgeon, late
Chaplain excused
Deputy Grand Knight Don Wilkinson, present
Chancellor Pete Marzluff, present
Recorder Dave Lopez, present
Treasurer Jim Cella, present
Financial Secretary Phil Torey, present
Warden Dave Sharp, present
Advocate Fidel Rodriguez, absent
Inside Guard Paul Armstrong, present
Outside Guard Gerry Rutkowski, present
Outside Guard Loui Leitao, present
3 Year Trustee Paul Maltagliati, present
2 Year Trustee Johnny Restivo, excused
1 Year Trustee Tony Vanderbeek, excused
Lecturer Tom McFarlane, present

The minutes from the meeting of December 1, 2009 were read to the council members present and approved without any corrections.

The admissions committee had no report.

The Deputy Grand Knight reminded everyone of the Grand Knights invitation to the Christmas “open house” festivities at this residence. He also commented that the GK wanted to thank everyone who have braved the elements to sell Christmas Trees for the council.

There was no Chaplains report.

The Treasurer (Jim Cella) reported that as of Dec. 14 the checking account balance was \$31,701.42; the Money Market account balance was \$11,900; and the CD balance was \$40,691.16 for a grand total of \$84,292.58. He also reported that by the end of the week it was expected that another deposit from the Christmas tree sales in the range of \$15-20 thousand dollars would be made.

The Financial Secretary (Phil Torrey) reported that since the last meeting Christmas trees revenues was \$18,065. In addition for the same period the pancake breakfast generated \$697, the spaghetti dinner generated \$467 and the squire roses generated \$60. The financial secretary reminded everyone that the membership dues have been mailed out with the annual volunteer's hours survey form. The survey report has to be compiled by the end of January, so please pay your dues and complete the survey form quickly.

Bill and Communications: One thank you communication was received, from Fr. Charles Merkle, for the \$300 we gave to him for buying little statues to give to patients at Fairfax Hospital on Christmas Day. In his communication Fr. Merkle explained that the total bill for the little statues was \$273.30 and he appreciated the extra \$26.70.

No report from the Auditors and Trustees.

The worthy Chancellor (Pete Marzluff) reported that our Guatemalan seminarian (Annobal Murel ?) has left the seminary and the Bishop has requested that we continue to support a substitute seminarian.

The Church Director (Tom Silva) reported on the upcoming children's Christmas Pageant and the Pilipino Community 9 day Novena at the parish center. He also reported that 2010 will be dedicated to the saving and the enrichment of sacramental marriages in our parish. A survey will be conduct by the parish on the weekend of January 9, targeting married couples, to determine what if anything the church is doing to enrich marriages. There will not be first Friday adoration on January 1.

The Community Director (Gene Mollinelli standing in for Dave Evans) reported that the 123 Highway clean up is schedule for Dec. 19 (H-O). Mark Haaland reported on the Christmas Food Basket delivery process for Dec. 20.

No Family Director report

No Council Director report

The Youth Director (Osborne and DeRose) reported on the some of the activities of the squires and squire roses since the last report, including preparing food baskets, acquiring gift certificates, coordinating a children's Christmas party, acquiring donations for the HOPE program and selecting a seminarian to support. Brother Osborne reported that the youth free throw contest is coming up in January and he needs volunteers to help out.

Brother Dick Lee reported on the Mountain Portfolio review program. He indicated 3 volunteers stepped up to help in the project.

The Deputy Grand Knight reported on a note from the Council Director (Bill Baker) about the Midnight Mass on New Year's day at OSM at the pot luck reception in the Historic Church Hall.

No Unfinished Business to report.

New Business:

1. Resolution to endorse the nomination of Brother Johny D. Restivo for delegate to the Knights of Columbus 2010 National Convention was put to a vote and endorse unanimously.
2. The Chancellor (Pete Marzluff) made a motion to allow the Bishop to replace the resigning Guatemalan seminarian with a substitute Guatemalan seminarian (Hugo

Ramirez Alonzo) and for the council to continue to support the scholarship. Motion was put to a vote and endorsed unanimously.

3. The Chancellor (Pete Marzluff) reported on a pro-life educational DVD project intended for school children from grades K through 8th grade. The DVD project is under production by Neuman Entertainment. Apparently this DVD project is endorsed by the Catholic Bishops and the Supreme Knights of Columbus. Discussion on how the council would support this project was made but placed in abeyance until more details can be obtained.
4. Brother DeRose reported on several initiatives that are in the early stages of planning in our parish. 1) some parishioners plan to establish a social, cultural and spiritual society for those with a Catholic Italian heritage, including Italian by marriage spouses and anyone else interested in learning more about the Italian culture; 2) A special feast day in June which would include sharing what it is to be a practicing USA citizen, sharing our Catholic heritage past with food; 3) Establishing Professional Catholic Women's sorority of St. Mary of Sorrows.
5. Proposal to support the Boy Scouts, Eagle Scout drainage project at OSM for up to \$500 was voted and approved.

Brother Dick Lee reported on 4th degree activities, including that 11 Sir Knights attended the feast of the Virgin Guadalupe Mass in full regalia. He also reported on the Christmas Mass schedule for participating in full regalia.

The Field Agent (Paul Hannan) reported that in Jan. 2007 he completed training for selling K of C Insurance with 21 Brothers, but now there is only 3 remaining. He reminded everyone not to wait until medical problems arise to purchase insurance. You may not be able to get it or it may be more expensive.

No District Deputy Report

Before the meeting was closed prayers for the sick and distressed in the council and our parish were said. The lecturer provided a report for the intellectual, moral and spiritual improvement of members present which was well received. All past Grand Knights present were asked to stand in union and recognized. Closing prayers were said, the closing ode was sung and the meeting was closed at 8:56 pm.

Minutes prepared by R. David Lopez

Recorder