

Minutes from the meeting in the First Section of February 2, 2010 are as follows:

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

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

The minutes from the meeting of January 19, 2010 were read to the council members present and approved with 1 correction to the Unfinished Business. The Advocate reminded the council that we still need to take action concerning the Neuman Entertainment pro-life DVD project.

The Admissions Committee (Brother Obuchowski) reported on one application to read, and recommended membership (applicant Cody Cardenas?). Motion was voted and application was accepted unanimously.

The Grand Knight reported on the “Call Campaign” which is a set of regional gatherings hosted by the Knights of Columbus and the Vocations Offices of the Diocese of Arlington and Richmond. These gatherings are for men ages 16-35 who are interested in learning more about how they can discover the call of God in their own lives. Kelly Mortensen, Past State Deputy is asking each council to send in the names of 3 individuals from each parish to participate in the gatherings. The State Council will be responsible for sending formal invitations.

The GK reported that the next State Council meeting is on ~~March 5~~ (corrected) March 6 and will be held in Fredericksburg. The GK added that articles are needed for our Mariner publication.

Awards were given to Brother Tom Silva for achieving his 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree on 10-27-2009. The award for the Family of the Month was presented to the Charlie Gulac Family. The Knight of the Month recipient was Brother Phil Torrey. Brother Bill Crowder was also recognized as a Knight

of the Month (his certificate will be available on 2-26-2010).

No Chaplains Report

No Treasures Report

Re: Bills and Communications. A number of Thank You letters as follows.

1. A thank you from Fr. Ephrem.
2. A thank you from Fr. Barkett
3. A thank you from Eric Shafer (selected seminarian by the Squires and Squire Roses)
4. A thank you from Devine Mercy Care.
5. A thank you from The Mari H Center.
6. A thank you from the Franciscan Mission Service.

We received a communication from Gabriel Project asking for a donation to help out a young lady who will be giving birth o/a February 25.

We received a communication from Chris Avery and George Fanady who have established the Robert Perez Scholarship. Brother Perez was a brother in this council who passed away unexpectedly late last year.

We received a communication from Megan Beatty, Special Education Teacher, Robinson Secondary School requesting financial support to launch a program called Packaged with Care to help homeless adults and families and to also raise money for Haiti by selling Robinson designed t-shirts.

We received a communication from Council 11264 to support the Special Olympics. Members of this council will be taking a Polar Plunge for Special Olympics on February 6. They are asking councils and individuals to make donations to Council 11264.

The Financial Secretary reported for the last 2 meetings deposits totaled \$15, 227.60.

Report from the Auditors and Trustees. Brother Maltagliati reported the audit has been

completed and all accounts balance.

The Church Committee Director (Tom Silva) reported on several important dates. First Friday adoration is February 5, but do to inclement weather it may be cancelled. Feb. 9 the Marriage Ministry kicks off at the Parish Center at 7:00 pm. Feb. 17 is Ash Wednesday, lent begins.

Brother Tm Shea reported on Improve a Home project which is scheduled for April 24. He indicated he needs a couple of sites to improve.

Brother Morales reported on the upcoming Spaghetti dinner scheduled for February 13 and the pancake breakfast scheduled for February 14. The Council picnic will be on June 20 which is Father's day. Brother Morales also reported on the letter received by the council from Megan Beatty, Special Education Teacher, Robinson Secondary School requested funds to launch a program called Packaged with Care (PWC).

Brother Dave Evan reported on the 123 clean up which is now scheduled for February 20 and also on the Hyperthermia support program which begins Feb. 28.

Brother Joe Osborne reported on the Youth Committee. The free throw contest for the District is scheduled for February 28. Our parish has two participants.

Don Wilkinson reported on the District 14 meeting. Items covered in the meeting included the upcoming Soccer challenge, supporting the Year of the Priest and Year of the Volunteer events, Holy Spirit Council's baby crib purchasing project, and KOVAR's donation drive coming up in April.

Brother Obuchowski provide a short report on pledges for Marian Homes Inc. So far pledges for the five year period have totaled \$75,100.

Brother Durback requested volunteers to help out at the upcoming Valentines Day Dance at the No. VA Training Center. Details are available on our web site.

Unfinished Business:

1. At our December 15, 2009 the Chancellor presented information on a pro-life educational DVD project intended for school children from grades K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The DVD project is under production by Neuman Entertainment. The DVD project is apparently endorsed by the Catholic Bishops and the Supreme Council. We had some discussion on how the council would support this project, but a final vote was placed in abeyance until further details can be obtained.

**Update:** The Council Advocate reported that he has sent a letter to the State Advocate

requesting some guidance on how to proceed on this item, but no answer has been received. This item tabled until response is received.

2. At our January 5 meeting the Recorder proposed a motion or resolution to dedicate our 2010 Christmas tree sales project to the memory of Brother Brown and to support the Brown children by disbursing \$1000 from the 2010 Christmas tree revenues to the Brown children. This motion is not a budgeted item.

**Update:** A vote on the motion to disburse \$1000 to the Brown children trust fund from the 2010 Christmas Tree revenues was presented to the council and voted “in favor-yes” unanimously.

3. At our January 19<sup>th</sup> the Advocate, made a motion to donate \$1000 to the Haitian Earthquake relief efforts. The motion was seconded and tabled for further discussion. This motion is not a budgeted item.

**Update:** Brief discussion that the funds would be disbursed through K of C Charities. A final on the motion to disburse \$1000 to the Haitian relief was presented to the council and voted “in favor-yes” unanimously.

#### New Business:

Brother Silva presented a motion to release budgeted funds to pay bus transportation for the Right to life March held on January 22. Seconded and voted “in favor-yes” unanimously.

Brother Osborne presented a motion to release budgeted funds (\$3000.00) to the Boy Scouts. Seconded and voted “in favor-yes” unanimously.

Brother Osborne presented a motion to spend up to \$80.00 for plaques for the Youth Free Throw contest. Seconded and voted “in favor-yes” unanimously.

Brother Lee presented a motion to release budgeted funds (\$1,000) for Special Needs at Robinson Secondary School to a new program called Packaged with Care (supports homeless and Haitian relief) in lieu of the Partners program. Discussion on the appropriateness of transferring budgeted funds to a new program was made, and the GK on the advice of the Advocate decided to table the motion until the next meeting.

Brother Wilkinson presented a motion to support the Holy Spirit Council by spending up to ~~\$1500~~ (corrected) \$1300 to purchase 10 cribs. The motion was not a budgeted item and was tabled until the next meeting.

Brother Morales presented a motion to release \$350 for the county permits to hold our annual Council picnic on June 20. Seconded and voted “in favor-yes” unanimously.

Brother Morales presented a motion to support the Gabriel project at St. Mary’s by spending \$500. The motion was seconded and voted “in favor-yes” unanimously.

4<sup>th</sup> Degree Report by Brother Lee:

President's day parade in Alexandria will be held on Feb. 15. The parade route has been reduced. The next Assembly meeting is on Feb. 17, but will start a little later because of Ash Wednesday activities at St. Leo's. The next 4<sup>th</sup> degree exemplification will be held on May 22 in Fredericksburg.

No Field Agent Report

No Deputy Report

The GK Dispensed the Good of the Order report.

Prayers for the sick were solicited.

All past Grand Knights present were asked to stand in union and were recognized. The bottle of wine was won by PGK Paul Maltigliati. Closing prayers were said and the meeting was closed at 9:03 pm.

Minutes prepared by R. David Lopez Recorder