

St Bernadette Knights of Columbus #7355

Minutes of meeting 5/13/2025

The meeting was called to order by Grand Knight Craig Portier @ 7:34 Pm. He opened the meeting with a prayer and the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll of officers was then called:

GK Craig Portier __P____ DGK James Cherry __P____ Chap Andre Melancon __E____

S Maurice Evans _P____ Tres Gerard Vedros __P____ Adv Ralph Mitchel Jr __P____

War Richard Daigle _P____ OG Marvin Redmond __E____ IG Edward Pinell ____E____

1YT Andrew Vedros __P____ 2YT Woody Louviere __E____ 3YT Mark Duplantis __P____

Rec Mark Bascle P Chancelor Al Hargis P

Also present Special Guest: Lea Shafer and

Barry McNamara

Motion to dismiss reading minutes: M Andrew Vedros S Terry Dautry, the motion passed unanimously.

The Financial Secretary reported that all bills and monies collected had been forwarded to the Treasurer for payment or deposit. The Treasurer reported that all bills were paid current, and all monies collected had been deposited. Motion to accept the Financial Secretary and Treasurer report by Ralph Mitchell seconded by George Swindel. Motion carried.

Chaplin's Message: With Fr Andre unavailable Ralph gave a report on the progress of the Building and the Bernadette House. He said that the Grand opening and Blessing of the Latino Hall and renovated Bernadette House would be June 8, after the 11:00 mass and asked about a Honor Guard to be approved by Assembly Faithful Navigator Mark Bascle per Fr Andre's request.

Unfinished Business: The first order of unfinished business was the nomination of Officers for the 25 to 26 Columbian Year. Grand Knight Craig Portier, Deputy Grand Knight Mark Duplantis,

Chancellor Al Hargis, Recorder Mark Bascle, Treasurer Gerard Vedros, Advocate Ralph Mitchell, Jr, Warden Richard Daigle, Inside Guard Buddy Pinell, Trustees Andrew Vedros, George Swindel, Andre Benoit. It was brought up that Marvin Redmond had some health issues and Peter Fos was nominated to take his place as Outside Guard. The move to replace Marvin was made by Mark Bascle and seconded by Andrew Vedros. The motion Passed. There being no further nominations, a motion was made by Maurice Evans to close the nominations and seconded by Gerard Vedros and the motion passed. Nominations would be held again in June with the elections taking place in June of 2025. After discussion about their only being 2 scholarship candidates Mark Bascle made a motion to increase the Scholarship funds from \$250 to \$500 per semester for a total of \$2000 this year as the funds were already present in the fund account This would only apply to this college year and would be returned back to \$250 per semester the next year as specified in the Scholarship Guidelines. The motion was seconded by Ralph Mitchel and the motion passed. There being no further old business, GK Portier moved on to New Business.

New Business: In New Business There was an announcement that there would be a meeting for the planning of the building Grand Opening on May 27th at 5:00 pm at the Latino Hall. The right to life individual signs were brought up to see about being made to sell for parishioners to put in their yards but were tabled until the next meeting.

There was no other New Business to come before the council, New Business was closed.

Grand Knight's report, Craig thanked everyone for all the Lenten Meals and the Catholic Daughters Meal which the KC's donated to the ladies. At this time Lea Shaffer and Barry McNamara gave a presentation for Brother Keepers and asked for support from the Council. Craig also called a work day to clean up the church campus on May 31th.

Knight of the Month: Caron Lirette

Family of the Month: Peter and Debbie Fos

Good of the Order: Ralph Mitchell shared that the next Cor meeting would be July 29th.

Prayers for A J and June Collins, Allen and Perly Kramer, Miss Pat Kramer, Mark Landry's Father, Woody Louviere, Jenny Chatanier, Mike and Amy Delaune, Dan and Shellie Myers, Robert Mitchell, Maurice Evans and for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

There being no further business to come before the council closing Prayer was said and the Grand Knight ended the meeting

Meeting Adjourned @ 8:37 pm

Mark K Bascle PGK,

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