

St Bernadette Knight's Of Columbus #7355

Minutes of meeting 4/11/20223

The meeting was called to order by Grand Knight Craig Portier @ 7:20 pm. He opened the meeting with a prayer and the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll of officers:

GK Craig Portier P DGK James Cherry E Chap Andre Melancon P FS Maurice Evans P
Tres Gerard Vedros P Adv James Barlow E War Richard Daigle P OG Marvin Redmond E
IG Edward Pinell P 1YT Andrew Vedros E 2YT Woddy Louviere E 3YT Mark Duplantis E
Rec Mark Bascle P Chancellor Al Hargis E

Also present Special Guest Prospect George Swindel

A motion was made by Andrew Vedros to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept them as published and seconded by Mark Duplantis. The motion passed unanimously.

The Financial Secretary gave a report stating all bills had been turned over to the Treasurer for payment. He also reported the monies that came in were reported to be approximately \$319,000 from the building corporation and \$50 from Dues. Disbursements totaled \$13,396.98. \$7,000 was paid to Active Tree Service for the removal of the Trees around Bernadette House. A motion to accept the FS report as presented was made by Woody Louviere and seconded by Mark Duplantis. The motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer gave a report stating the beginning balance of the checking account was \$3,708.90, and an ending balance of \$15,579.91. Of that amount \$387 is dedicated to YEP and 368.92 is dedicated to Brother Duty Charity fund, leaving an undedicated balance of \$2,138.34. The Growth fund had an ending balance was \$34,618.23. The ending balance of the scholarship fund was \$27,417.49. A motion to accept the Treasurers report was made by Woody Louviere and seconded by Ralph Mitchell. The motion passed unanimously.

The Grand Knight moved on to unfinished business. It was talked about in general that we may need to help around the church as AL would be out from his surgery. Craig said he would probably call a workday and he would send out an email to do so, keep your eyes out to see if we need to do something around the church campus. Relay for life was discussed and is set for April 22. That was also the same date as the 4th degree training meeting in New Iberia hosted

by District Master Kell Luke. A motion was made by Ralph Mitchell to buy a Relay for Life Luminary Box for \$100 and seconded by Maurice Evens. The motion passed unanimously. The Kiosk was still not ready to be put in the church but it was mentioned that we need to work on that.

Under New Business, Craig opened the floor for nominations for officers for the 2023 to 2024 Columbian year and all the officers currently in office were renominated. As per discussion of Mark Bascle, it was recommended that James Barlow was spending most of his time in Mississippi on his home and camp and the council should put up someone else for Advocate. Gerald Michel made a motion to nominate Ralph Mitchel as Advocate and Andy Dufrene seconded the motion after Ralph accepted the nomination. Ralph asked if we could print the minutes of the meetings on the web site before the meetings so they could be reviewed. There being no further new business Craig moved on to the Grand Knight's report.

Craig presented the Grand Knights report stating that the installation of the New Bishop was a great celebration and he and Mark Bascle represented Fr Vandebilt Assembly out of the 14 4th degree Knights chosen to represent the Diocese. He also reported there would be a 4th degree exemplification in Alexandria on May 20th, and the State Convention would be in Lafayette from May 4th to the 6th. He also stated that he would need to turn in the raffle tickets for the seminary raffle with the state council by April the 15th.

Craig then moved on to the Good of the order. He presented Woody Louviere as the Knight of the Month. He then announced that the Mark and Tina Chauvin family were the family of the month. The council brought up the following names to continue to pray for their health to improve. Al Hargis, A J Collins, Ezel Cherry, Steve and Gerald Michel, Donna Martin, the State Deputy's wife and Donna Luke the District Master's Wife and Mark Bascle

The Grand Knight adjourned the meeting as no further business needed to be brought before the council.

Mark K. Bascle

Past Grand Knight and Recorder/Secretary