

St Bernadette Knights of Columbus #7355

Minutes of meeting 1/9/2023

The meeting was called to order by Grand Knight Craig Portier @ 7:25 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 E FS Maurice Evans P

Tres Gerard Vedros P Adv Ralph Mitchell P War Richard Daigle P OG Marvin Redmond P

IG Edward Pinell P 1YT Andrew Vedros P 2YT Woody Louviere E 3YT Mark Duplantis P

Rec Mark Bascle P Chancellor Al Hargis P

Also present Special Guest: Fr John from Uganda

A motion was made by Ralph Mitchell to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept them as published and seconded by George Swindel. 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 that the membership quota for the year was nine and we were at 4. A motion to accept the FS report as presented was made by Peter Fos and seconded by Buddy Pinel. The motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer gave a report stating that all bills and communications were paid and current. Ending balances in the various accounts were as follows: Checking Account spendable balance \$7,470.87. Scholarship fund \$1000. Misc CD \$50,000. Building CD \$300,000 and \$11,976.65 Building funds in the Checking account. Brother Duty has a balance of \$368.92 and YEP is \$396. A motion to accept the Treasurers report was made by Peter Fos and seconded by Lynwood Liner. The motion passed unanimously.

Grand Knights Report. Craig gave out thanks to the Knights for help and successful events. He talked about all the positive talk from Midnight Mass and the Honor Guard. Most every position of the mass was taken care of by Knights of Columbus.

The Grand Knight moved on to unfinished business. Craig Reported the Kiosk was in, but the books didn't come in yet. He also reported that the Morgan Stanly accounts had been closed and a CD was opened for \$50,000. Ralph gave an update on the building plans and that a

committee would have to be held to go over the final plans. There being no further business the GK moved on to new Business.

Craig then proceeded to New Business. Craig stated that there will be a Super Bowl poll for \$20 a square. The prizes would be \$1,000 with \$250 for each quarter and the end of the game. The other \$1,000 would be donated to the Relay for life from the KC council. A motion was made to move the January meeting to the 6th of the month due to the Second Tuesday of the month falling on Mardi Gras day. Craig talked about the first Fish Fry will be on the 16th of February and he was working on an application with Performance Foods. Craig Portier and Mark Bascle were asked to step out of the room and relinquish the gavel to Mark Duplantis based on advice from the Advocate Ralph Mitchell. The council had a motion proposed by Mark Duplantis and Seconded by George Swindel to approve payment of registration for Craig and Mark to the Acts Retreat coming up later during the year for jobs well done in leading the Council and the Assembly 2322 and for them to gain valuable experience to use to apply to recruiting and leading Catholic Men in the Knighthood. The motion passed unanimously. Gerard Vedros then made a motion to give the Assembly 2322 \$1,000 to help with the 4th degree budget being there was a need in the 4th degree and the council have the availability. The motion was seconded by Al Hargis and passed unanimously.

Craig then talked about Mark Bascle reminding him that the Baby Bottle Campaign to help Crossroads would be the weekend of January 20th and 21st and we could use help with the distribution of envelopes after every mass that weekend.

Craig then moved on to the Good of the order. Craig announced that Gerard Vedros was the Knight of the Month, and the Steve Becnel Family was the family of the month. The council asked for prayers for A J and June Collins, Allen and Perdie Kramer, Captain Wayne Savoie, James and Esel Cherry, Darlene Dufrene and her family, Mike Delane Jimmy Benoit and Butch False.

For his DD report of the month Mark talked a little bit about the 4th degree upcoming exemplification on February 17th and the deadline for paperwork would be February 9th. He thanked everyone that showed up for the funerals over the last two days and that he was glad to see the new uniforms that the Assembly now has. He thanked everyone for the work put in to make the 4th degree successful.

The Grand Knight adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm as no further business needed to be brought before the council.

Mark K. Bascle

Past Grand Knight and Recorder/Secretary