

St Bernadette Knights of Columbus #7355

Minutes of meeting 5/14/2024

The meeting was called to order by Grand Knight Craig Portier @ 7:15 pm. He opened the meeting with a prayer and the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll of officers:

GK Craig Portier P DGK James Cherry P Chap Andre Melancon P FS Maurice Evans P

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

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

Rec Mark Bascle P Chancellor Al Hargis P

Also present Special Guest: Fr Andre' and Fr Stephen

A motion was made by George Swindel to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept them as published and seconded by Andy Dufrene. 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 the quota was met for the year. A motion to accept the FS report as presented was made by Mark Bascle and seconded by Mark Landry. 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 \$10,995.51. Scholarship fund \$1000. Misc CD \$50,000. \$40,705.39 Building funds in the Checking account. Brother Duty has a balance of \$368.92 and YEP is \$20. A motion to accept the Treasurers report was made by Mark Bascle and seconded by George Swindel. The motion passed unanimously.

Grand Knights Report. Craig talked about the Convention, the exemplification which would be Saturday the 18th in Alexandria and the exemplification that Fr Vandebilt Assembly would host on August 17th at St Bernadette.

The Grand Knight moved on to unfinished business. Nominations for Officers were opened but no Nominations were made so a motion to close Nominations was made by Mark Bascle and Seconded by Andy Dufrene. Craig asked Gerrard to report on the Lenten Meals and he stated

that the gross sales were \$14,170 the expenses were \$8,045 with a profit of \$6,125. There being no further old business the GK moved on to new Business.

Craig then proceeded to New Business. The first item up was that the checking account for the TARC hayride had been closed and had almost \$5000 in it that was sent to the KC checking account and that Mrs. Bonna Lecompte (Gary's) Widow would like it to be spread out among a few special needs organizations. A motion was made to give \$200 to St Mary's School an elective for the State Deputy's Award, Special Olympics \$2,400 and TARC \$2,400 by Mark Bascle and seconded by Al Hargis. The motion passed unanimously. On behalf of Mark Duplantis, Mark Bascle gave a report on the receipt of 3 applications for the Ralphel Songe Scholarships and that there were only 3 applicants. A motion was made by Ralph Mitchell and seconded by Peter Fos to give all three applicants a scholarship of \$250 each for both semesters. That would be \$1,500 for the year and the motion passed unanimously. Craig reported that trivia night would be on August 24th and a recommendation to hold a Jr Trivia night between Christmas and early January before Mardi Gras was made by Mike Delaune and tabled to a later date. Mark Bascle also reported that he had met with the accountant and the taxes for the closing of the Building Corporation were finished and signed and forwarded to the IRS. The firm would send a bill to the council.

Craig then moved on to the Good of the order. In Good of the Order, Craig presented Mike Delaune Knight of the Month and June Gonzalex and her Husband the Family of the Month. The Council was asked to pray for distressed brothers and parishioners Mike Delaune, AJ and June Collins, Vickie Breaux, and Mark Landry's dad who was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer.

The Grand Knight adjourned the meeting at 8:07 pm as no further business needed to be brought before the council.

Mark K. Bascle

Past Grand Knight and Recorder