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February 10, 2020

Worthy Grand Knight,

The one-hundred-nineteenth annual meeting of the Missouri State Council Knights of Columbus, will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday April 24, 25, 26, 2020 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, 415 West McCarty, Jefferson City, Missouri.

1. CONVENTION DELEGATES/ALTERNATES (FORM ATTACHED) Chapter II Section 12 (a) of the Constitution of the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus provides in part as follows:

The State Councils shall consist of the Grand Knight and a Past Grand Knight of each subordinate Council . . . if there be more than one Past Grand Knight, the Council shall select one to represent it at the State Convention. Councils having no Past Grand Knights, may elect one of its third degree members, in good standing, in lieu thereof, as a representative of said Council in the State Council. Each Subordinate Council shall elect alternates for its representatives in the State Council.

I have enclosed a form to be used to list the official delegates and alternates for your council. Please elect your representatives to the State Council as soon as possible and return the form, properly filled out to me. Names received before **March 20, 2020** will be sent their credentials and will be included in the list of delegates and alternates which, according, to our by-laws, must be mailed to Grand Knights for distribution to the delegates prior to convention. Any changes in a council's official list of delegates and alternates should be sent to me prior to the convention to speed up processing of credentials at registration.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAMES AND ADDRESSES. Writing in many cases is difficult to read and may result in errors on the official list of delegates.

It is important that delegates unable to attend the convention give their credentials to the alternate to present when they register at the convention. He will need the official list of delegates and a copy of the resolutions that were mailed to you for your delegates.

COUNCILS WHO HAVE NOT PAID THEIR STATE PER CAPITA TAXES WILL NOT BE SEATED AT THE CONVENTION.

IMPORTANT CHANGE TO CONVENTION REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR MILEAGE AND PER DIEM PAYMENTS TO COUNCILS

An important change to the convention registration requirements will be implemented beginning this year. This change is being made so our registration process now aligns with our State By-laws regarding convention registration.

As in the past, councils must register with the State Secretary prior to the opening gavel on Saturday morning, in order to be eligible for mileage and per diem payments. However, beginning this year, delegates must register on Friday evening or Saturday morning, and then check in *again* on Sunday morning (prior to the opening gavel) in order to receive two (2) days of per diem. Any council which registers on Friday evening or Saturday morning, but does not check in on Sunday morning, will only receive one day of per diem plus mileage.

Due to this change in process, checks will **NOT** be distributed at the end of the Convention; instead they will be mailed to District Deputies for distribution.

2. PROPOSED RESOLUTION/AMENDMENTS.

Your attention is also called to the Missouri State Council By-law, Article II Section 13, entitled Resolutions-Amendments-Publications-Procedures.

- (a) All proposed resolutions and proposed amendments to the By-laws of the State Council to be considered at the annual State Meeting shall be submitted in writing to the State Secretary on or before the first day of March of each year.
- (b) Said proposals may be submitted to the State by any council, any State Committee or the State Deputy.
- (c) The State Secretary shall submit said proposals to the State Advocate for his consideration and approval as to form.
- (d) On or before the 31st of March of each year, the State Secretary shall mail a copy of all proposed amendments and resolutions to the Grand Knights and Delegates to the annual State Meeting of each subordinate Council.
- (e) The Standing Committee on Laws and Resolutions shall examine all resolutions and proposed amendments to these By-laws which have been filed with the State Secretary and shall report thereon to the State Council.
- (f) In the event the State Deputy determines a proposed resolution, other than an amendment to the By-laws of the State Council, which has not been published hereafter, presents an emergency and should have immediate consideration voiced in open session of the annual State Meeting, waive the Provisions hereof.

I believe the above By-laws are self-explanatory and would urge all councils desiring to submit resolutions to comply with its terms.

3. MILEAGE AND PER DIEM RESOLUTION. (FORM ATTACHED)

Chapter II, Section 12, Article E, of the Constitution of the Supreme Knights of Columbus states in part the following:

During January of each year the State Deputy may submit to the subordinate councils of the jurisdiction a resolution to provide that upon it's adoption by a majority of the councils, any council in the jurisdiction may be represented at the succeeding meeting of the State Council by the Grand Knight, or, in his absence, a duly elected Past Grand Knight. Or by the alternate of one of them, who shall be entitled to two votes on any matter coming before the meeting.

In order to reduce the expenses of the annual State Meeting, this resolution has been submitted for the past several years and adopted. Any council desiring to be represented by two delegates may do so, but with the understanding that mileage and per diem will be paid to the council for only one delegate by the State Council.

This resolution for payment of mileage and per diem to the delegates to the State Convention is to be voted on by your council and forwarded to me no later than **MARCH 20**.

I look forward to visiting with the delegates, visitors and their wives at the State Convention. It would be great to have **ALL** councils represented at this very important meeting.

Please let me know if you have any questions. You can contact me by email at <u>statesecretary@mokofc.org</u> or by phone at (660) 582-2708.

Fraternally,

Mike Grudzinski

Mike Grudzinski State Secretary

DEADLINES:

March 1, 2020, All proposed Resolutions/Amendments due to the State Secretary. March 20, 2020, Official list of Delegates/Alternates due (Form Enclosed) March 20, 2020, Mileage and Per Diem Resolution due (Form Enclosed)

cc: State Deputy State Officers Past State Deputies State Directors State Chairman District Deputies

COUNCIL NAME: _____

NUMBER: _____

Mike Grudzinski State Secretary 723 E. 7th Street Maryville, Missouri 64468

Worthy State Secretary:

The following are official delegates and alternates to the one-hundred-nineteenth annual State Council meeting to be held in Jefferson City, Missouri, on April 24-26, 2020.

Please return this form to the State Secretary at the above address shown above no later than March 20, 2020.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

OFFICIAL DELEGATES

1.	Name:	
	Address:	
	City:	Zip
	Phone Number:	
2.	Name:	
	Address:	
	City:	Zip
	Phone Number:	
ALTERNATE DELEGATES		
1.	Name:	
	Address:	
	City:	Zip
	Phone Number:	
2.	Name:	
	Address:	· · · · ·
	City	Zip
	Phone Number:	
(Council Seal)		Recorder:
		Grand Knight:

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM RESOLUTION

Mike Grudzinski State Secretary 723 E. 7th Street Maryville, Missouri 64468

Worthy State Secretary:

Council: _____ Council No. _____

Voted as follows on the resolution set out below. This format is suggested by the Supreme Council regarding payment of mileage and per diem for attendance of delegates to the Missouri State Council Convention on April 24-26, 2020.

"Resolved, that in order to reduce the expenses of the annual meeting of the State Council, any council may be represented by the Grand Knight, or in his absence, a duly elected Past Grand Knight, or the alternate of one of them who shall be entitled to two (2) votes on any matter coming before the meeting."

"It being understood, that any council desiring to be represented by two (2) delegates may do so, but with the understanding that mileage and per diem will be paid to only one delegate."

Yes: _____ No: _____

(Please place an X after either "Yes" or "No" in accordance with your Council's vote; Do not indicate the number of votes, just your council's decision.)

Resolution voted on the_____ day of _____ 2020

Grand Knight _____

Attested by:

Recorder:

PLEASE MAIL TO THE STATE SECRETARY BY MARCH 20, 2020