

**Knights of Columbus Council 6856**  
**Minutes for Meeting of August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016**



**Call to Order** – GK

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM by Grand Knight, Raul Soria. Acting Warden, George Sutherlan, vouched that all present were valid members. The GK opened with an Our Father and a Hail Mary. He then led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Twenty-three members present – The following officers were excused: Sam Allen (Trustee 3<sup>rd</sup> Year) and Michael Diaz (Trustee 1<sup>st</sup> Year) were not present. All other officers were present. The council then sang the opening Ode.

**Approval of Minutes** – Br Tom Minkley

Br Tom presented the minutes for approval. Br Ed Oswald moved that the minutes be approved. Br Ed Nicola seconded. Motion passed. Br Milo Silva asked that the Recorder post them to the K of C web site.

**Admissions Committee** – Br Rudy Holguin

Br Rudy reported the brother who is scheduled to attend the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree. He also mentioned that he had Koozies and pens available for the Ministry Fair coming up for all Masses on Aug 20-21. This will coincide with our Taco Breakfast. Br Hector Montalvo, the Field Agent said that he would also have K of C mugs available. Br Michael Boyle said that he also had a new Form 100 for a new member.

**Grand Knight's Report** – Br Raul Soria

Br Raul presented his report (attached) and encouraged our whole hearted participation as Knights in the Knights' activities. He recognized our support for the GI Forum Dinner on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and thanked all of those who participated. He encouraged us to consider carefully our selections in the coming election. He also emphasized the Football Frenzy. The reason we support this opportunity is that it substantially reduces our State per Capita fee.

**Treasurer's Report** - Br Milo Silva

Br Milo provided the financial report.

Account Balances:

Money Market	\$15,000.94
Council Savings	\$5.30
Checking Account	\$10,960.98
Bingo Savings	\$5.15
Bingo Checking	\$13,949.09

Br Ed Nicola moved that the report be approved. Br George Sutherlan seconded. Motion passed.

**Bills and Communications** – N/A

**Financial Secretary** – Br Michael Boyle

Br Michael reviewed the checks received and the expenses incurred before the meeting. We did submit Form 1295, Council Audit, last month. It was prior to the due date. Another report on checks to support

seminarians was submitted in July. He will order supplies for the Council. He reported that he had funds to turn over to the Treasurer for Taco sales.

**Trustees** – No report

**Service Programs Committees** – Dr. Greg Lopezieo

Br Greg introduced Br Tracy Holmes who is the new Program Director. He reviewed the on-going programs that re are involved in.

**Campus Clean-up** for OLPH School and Evans Road. It was fun last year. This year we will do it on this Saturday, Aug 6<sup>th</sup>. The Council discussed documentation of volunteer service hours.

He said that the G(OLPH) Tournament under Meg will be offering Golf participation and Hole Sponsorships.

He also encouraged that we make our participation visible through wearing of shirts and caps.

Br Ricky Baird announced that we had provided 42 **Race Cars** for OLPH School graduates. He also delivered 30 Race Cars to CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Children's Hospital. He also encouraged us to bring food for **St Vincent de Paul**.

**Pro-Life Director** – Br Mike Brown

Br Mike announce that Ms Terry Herring sent us a certificate for 338 Live Births as a result of our support for the **Allied Women's Center**. He has received one of those saved babies as his adopted son.

**Membership Director** – Br Rudy Holguin – Reported earlier

**Unfinished Business** - GK Raul Soria

Br Greg discussed the need bus tickets (passes) for the GIs housed at the GI Forum following the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Dinner. They need transportation to go to work or to look for jobs. He had asked how many passes were needed and how much it would cost. The total was \$253.00. He moved that our Council purchase these tickets for the veterans. Br Tom Minkley seconded. Motion passed.

Br Greg brought up the donation that we had agreed to several months ago for \$1000.00 for support of insurance for Michael Diaz's daughter. We had already given him \$500.00. Br Greg moved that we give him the other \$500.00 that we had agreed to. Br Ed Oswald seconded. Motion passed.

He then announced the award of Family of the Year to Br Tom Minkley and his wife, Rita.

The GK then asked Br Tom if he would consider developing articles and announcements to document the activities of our Council. Br Tom said that he would be honored to do this.

He also announced the award of Knight of the Year to Br Raul Soria. He has been actively involved in bringing this Council together and developing kinship.

**New Business** – GK

Br Ed Oswald emphasized that addressing the GK or other dignitaries should be accompanied by drawing the trunk of the cross. The GK will acknowledge the member by drawing the cross-beam.

Br Michael Boyle brought up the request for support of the G(OLPH) Tournament. He moved that we provide \$300 to support a Hole Sponsorship at the Quarry Golf Club on Sep 24<sup>th</sup>. Br Greg Lopezieo seconded. After discussion Br Michael modified the motion to provide \$300 to sponsor 2 holes at \$150 each without other representation at the tournament. Motion passed.

Br Michael also recommended that we purchase advertising for the sports and activities program for Pope St John Paul II High School. Br Tom Minkley moved that we purchase a full page ad for \$250. Br Greg seconded. Motion passed.

Br Milo Silva moved that we purchase 15 cases of 8 oz. water (24 bottles) at 7.49 / case for use at the Ministry Fair and subsequent events. Br Michael seconded. Motion passed.

He also said that we have \$12,000 to spend for Texas charities from our Bingo proceeds. The following items are budgeted:

<b>Charity</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Padua Place	\$1,000.00
Seton Home	1,000.00
St Vincent de Paul (OLPH)	1,000.00
Aging Priests and Nuns	250.00
Chapter	250.00
Allied Women's Center	500.00
Assumption Seminary	1,000.00

Br Tom Moved that we add \$1,000 for the pro-life organization, Resources for Women, neighboring the parish. Br Greg Lopezieo seconded. This donation will need to be voted on again next month. Motion passed.

**Fourth Degree** – Br George Cheney – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly Comptroller

Br George announced that the Archbishop would be celebrating a Thanksgiving Mass for all Knights of Columbus on this Sunday, Aug 7<sup>th</sup>, at the Cathedral at 2PM. All Knights are invited.

He also said that Br Bill Hatfield passed away today. His Rosary is scheduled for 7PM at OLPH on Sunday evening.

He also announced a 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration for a Brother and his wife at St Monica Parish on Aug 13<sup>th</sup>.

The Fourth degree meeting will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, Aug 15th. The Knights of Council 6856 will be sponsoring refreshments. Br Raul offered to provide the refreshments.

Br Ralph Gomez is celebrating his 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knight. Br Greg Lopezieo has been a 4<sup>th</sup> degree for 5 years.

**Field Agent** – Br Hector Montalvo

Br Hector said that he had met with Fr. Eric. They discussed the number of Knights from OLPH. There are 3%. This leaves room for growth. He would also like to meet with us individually to discuss financial planning.

**District Deputy** – Br Mike Rademacher

Br Mike announced that the Religious Appreciation Dinner's date has been changed to Sep 22<sup>nd</sup>. Nine tables are still available. The cost to attend is \$50.00 for a Knight or \$100.00 for a couple.

Each Council has been asked to start their own First Degree team. It involves memorizing several spoken parts for the presentation. We also need to submit Form 365 for Retention Chairman for 2016-2017. It needs 2 signatures.

He also discussed the Blue Mass for 1<sup>st</sup> Responders. The State Deputy requested that \$1000.00 from the State Chapter be given to each family of the slain police officers in Dallas. They have also asked each council to donate as much as they wish to a fund to be split between the 5 families. Br Greg Lopezio moved that our council donate \$1000.00 to this fund. Br Michael Boyle seconded. Motion passed.

Br Mike will have the new roster of seminarians for councils to support by September.

He also addressed protocol for recognizing any priest or state (Knights) Office holder. Please announce and rise.

Br Mike also brought up a State wide change to Council approvals for expenditures. Effective immediately only one donation of \$500.00 per meeting with Grand Knight & Trustees signatures is allowed. All others must be approved at both the first meeting where it was proposed as well as at the next meeting before it can be paid. They also asked that these payments be limited to one per month. Items in the budget do not need this approval.

**Good of the Order Prayer Intentions**

The acting GK recognized the following names on the prayer list:

**Close** - The GK asked us to close with a prayer, we recited 3 Hail Marys. Br Tom Minkley also included a prayer for Mercy for the families and those affected by the deaths of the police officers in Dallas. The GK adjourned the meeting at 7:57 pm.

**Attendees**

<b>First</b>	<b>Last</b>
Ed	Azeszortarski
Ricky	Baird
John	Becker
John	Becker
Michael	Boyle
Michael	Brown
George	Cheney
George	Cheney FDD, PGK 6358
Andrew	Chiti
Mark	DeLaney
Ralph	Gomez
Rudy	Holguin
Tracey	Holmes
Greg	Lopezio
Tom	Minkley
Hector	Montalvo - Field Agent
Ed	Nicola
Scott	Peterson
Mike	Rademacher, DD
Alonso R	Salazar
Milo	Silva
George	Sutherland
Greg	Trapuzzano