

Knights of Columbus

Council 2084, Greenville, MI

Meeting Minutes: September 9, 2021

The meeting of the Knights of Columbus was called to order at 7:00P.M. by Grand Knight, Michael Karpus. The meeting was preceded by praying the Rosary.

Roll of officers in attendance:

<i>Chaplain:</i> Fr. James Wyse	Excused	<i>Warden:</i> John Taylor	Present
<i>Gd. Knight:</i> Mike Karpus	Present	<i>Outside Guard:</i> Gene Hahnenberg	Absent
<i>Dep. GK:</i>	Open	<i>Inside Guard:</i> John Latva	Present
<i>Chancellor:</i> Mike Smith	Absent	<i>3Yr. Trustee:</i> Tom Russell	Present
<i>Financial Sec.:</i> John Brown	Present	<i>2yr. Trustee:</i> Larry Kassuba	Present
<i>Treasurer:</i> Ralph VanOcker	Present	<i>1yr. Trustee:</i> James Rewa	Absent
<i>Lecturer:</i> Roger Truszkowski	Excused	<i>Recorder:</i> open	
<i>Advocate:</i> Joseph Haen	Excused	<i>District Deputy:</i> Robert Thompson	Present

Opening the meeting with the “Out Father” lead by Deacon Dan, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

12 members in attendance.

Grand Knight’s Report: Mike Karpus

Mike read Stewart’s report on the new rules and regulations for kitchen use by any group.

Stewart’s recommendation was that we assemble a kitchen committee to go over everything and make sure we are in compliance. Mike agreed and would like volunteers for this committee. The committee must be in place before we have any activities involving the kitchen.

- **Larry Kassuba** gave his report on the Danish Festival Furniture Sale. The committee consisting of Kathy Johnson, Margaret Karpus, Stewart Smith and Larry Kassuba took care of all the promotional work including the presale preview on the Wednesday before the Danish Festival. Total receipts for the sale were \$12752 with expenses running \$2189. There were some direct donation to the school which were not figured into the 50/50 split. Larry presented Mike Karpus with a check for \$4,622. It was determined that the booth expense of \$300 paid for by the Knights was not included in the expenses. After some discussion Juan Salazar motioned that the council absorb the cost. Tom Russell seconded it; motion passed.
- **Delta Church Drive:** Mike indicated that this would happen in October and more world follow and we were need Knights to step up and volunteer for this.
- **Reading of the minutes:** The Grand Knight read the minutes of the previous meeting which were approved as read. Mike indicated that we will be sending the minutes out so members will have time to read them so we will either make changes or accept them without rereading them. This will save time.

Treasurer’s Report: Current Balance is \$2896.82 with an outstanding bill of \$444.00 to the State Council for Boys’ Town. Motion to pay bills make by Charles Smith and seconded by Deacon Dan; motion passed.

Reading of Form 100: Mike did a first reading for Kevin Norton and Seth Neilson and acknowledge that David Alberts was and e-member. Discussion followed in and Mike reminder Ralph that

he needed to get his degree team together. It was also decided that we should have an admission committee and interview all the candidates.

Think about what we can do to draw people to the knights and the church. Mike asked us to think about ways we might attract inactive members and new members to the Knights and also activities to draw people to the church. Card night, Euchre tournaments, and corn whole tournaments for example.

District Deputy's Report: DD Bob Thompson reported that he has been in conversation with the Ionia Council and that they have a pie making date for the 3rd weekend in March. He suggested we join them. It was also suggested that the FS meet with Father and get his approval.

Good of the Order: Deacon Dan led us in prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney for all those sick and in distress.

Lecturer words to mediate on:

Deacon Dan reflected on the feast day of Peter Claver. Born in Spain in 1581 became a missionary in the New World. He settled in Cartagena, a port city in the Caribbean and devoted himself to the service of the black slaves of that area. He cared for them giving them food and medicines along with teaching them about the dignity of man and God's love. He ministered to them for 40 years. We should meditate on his life and what it means to love or brother, (who is our brother). See how we live up to God's plan and what more we can do.

Meeting was adjourned by the Grand Knight at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Tom Russell.