



**Knights of Columbus
Council #1221
Business Meeting Minutes
June 11th, 2024**



Call to Order

Tuesday, June 11th, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.

Warden's Report on Membership Card

Bro. Dan Gulley: All present are current members.

Opening Prayer

The Lord's Prayer was said by all.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Reading of and Approval Minutes of Previous Meeting

- The meeting minutes for May were sent out via email and placed at the bar prior to the meeting for review. The minutes were read and accepted by all.

Chaplain's Message: Fr. Jeremy Gries

- A reading from Acts of the Apostles (today's reading): *In those days, a great number who believed turned to the Lord. The news about them reached the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to go to Antioch. When he arrived and saw the grace of God, he encouraged them all to remain faithful to the Lord in firmness of heart, for he was a good man filled with the Holy Spirit and faith. A large number of people was added to the Lord, and then he went to Tarsus to look for Saul. When he found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year, they met with the church and taught a large number of people. It was in Antioch that the disciples were first called Christians. Now there were, in the church of Antioch, prophets and teachers, Barnabas, many others, and Saul. While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said: "Set apart from me Barnabas and Saul, for the work for which I have called them." Then, completing their fasting and prayer, they laid hands on them and sent them off.* Today is the feast of St. Barnabas, and we rejoice in the way that he witnessed to the people, helping to bring the gospel to others. This description of him, "he was a good man, filled with the Holy Spirit and faith." As men of the Knights of Columbus, that should be the description of all of us: good in our character and desire to serve the Lord and one another, and to be filled with the Holy Spirit and be men full of faith. The other thing I like about this reading about this feast day is the companionship between Barnabas and Saul. Barnabas didn't do the work of the gospel by himself, rather he seeks out help when he needs it and he accompanies Saul/Paul to go forth and spread the gospel to other places of the world. There's great value in fraternity and friendship, particularly Christian based friendship in the way that can aid the

kingdom of God. As we celebrate this feast of St. Barnabas, we see the early kernels, not just of the gospel or the early Church, but also the Knights of Columbus as we serve the world around us.

Grand Knight's Report: WGK John Vernia

- It's been an exciting year. We've done a lot of great, wonderful things for our charities and the community. We've been involved in several religious activities. I hoped for more of it, but overall, we did well. I want to thank everyone. It's been a trying year for many of us. I particularly want to thank everyone for backing and supporting me, especially on the trying path that I'm on today. I want to thank the membership for stepping up and being there to do things when they needed to be done. I do appreciate that.

Deputy Grand Knight's Report: DGK Ron Webber

- No report this evening

Treasurer's Report: Bro. John Kaiser

- At the end of May, the General Fund has \$26,865, the Gaming Fund is at \$35,606 and the CBC Fund has \$168,787
 - *(For new members, CBC stands for The Columbia Building Corporation which is a separate entity from Knights of Columbus 1221. Each 1221 member is also a shareholder in the CBC)*
- All bills are paid and up to date.
- Expect for money to start being spent on the lift.

Balloting for Membership: Bro. Matt Lincoln

- New Members for the month of May:
 - None
- New Members for the 2023-2024 Fraternal Year:
 - Brenden Kelly
 - David Harbeson (Holy Family)
 - Luke Naville
 - Joseph Naville
 - Jon (Mike) Bartley
 - Jeff Greenwood (reinstatement)
 - Dominic Morales (transfer)
 - Stephen Fernung (SMK)
 - John Nies (reinstatement)
 - Joseph Hackney (SMNA)
 - Chris Didelot (SMK)
 - Gary Creamer (SJPII)
 - Gary (Pat) Coons (SMK)
 - Alfonso Cballos
 - Steve Lawrence
- Pending

- Donnie Missi (going through exemplification)
- David Allen Creagon (will contact)
- Ryan Raelson (Holy Family)
- Deaths
 - Don Kunk
 - George Wohls

Financial Secretary's Report: Bro. Matt Lincoln

- 2024 dues have been mailed out
- 72 members have not paid their dues (about 20% of the council)
- Have hit our goal for 15 members for '23-'24

New Business:

- The estimate was presented to the Council to fix the sign out front
 - \$1800 was motioned, seconded, and approved for the expenditure
- Pilgrimage route has been finalized
 - Different parishes are doing different segments on Wednesday, July 10th
 - 9:30-10:10 - St. Augustine/Sacred Heart
 - 10:10-11:00 – Our Lady of Perpetual Help
 - 11:00-11:50 – St. Anthony of Padua
 - 11:50-12:15 - St. Mary (Lanesville)/St. Joseph (Corydon)
 - 12:15-12:45 – Break
 - 12:45-1:50 – St. Mary (New Albany)
 - 1:50-2:20 – Holy Family
 - 2:20-3:45 – St. John Paul II
 - 3:45-4:00 – St. Mary of the Knobs
- The following ballot of 2024-2025 officers were nominated 3 times, motioned and voted on/accepted:
 - Grand Knight – Matt Lincoln
 - Financial Secretary – Chris Gahagen
 - Deputy Grand Knight – Ron Webber
 - Chancellor – Ben Wissel
 - Recorder – Dustin Jones
 - Treasurer – John Kaiser
 - Advocate – Greg Reger
 - Warden – Dan Gulley
 - Inside Guard – Mark Court
 - Outside Guard – Eric Hunter
 - One Year Trustee – John Vernia
 - Two Year Trustee – Tom Waters
 - Three Year Trustee – Mike Carter
 - Chaplain (appointed) – Fr. Jeremy Gries
 - Lecturer (appointed) – Mike Albers

Report of Service Program Committees:

- **Program Director: Bro. Greg Brodfurher**

- Working on report for everything done over the past year
- The amount of work performed has been remarkable
- **Community Director: Bro. Kevin Kruer**
 - No report this week
- **Family Director: Bro. Rob Davis**
 - No report this week
- **Culture of Life Director: Bro. Mark Court**
 - No report this week
- **Vocation Director: Bro. Greg Brodfehrer**
 - No report this week
- **Faith Director: Bro. Ben Wissel**
 - Silver Rose Ceremony
 - Was held at Mt. St. Francis
 - Thanks to everyone for their help
 - Ceremony went off without any issues, great weather, and great support
 - Need to do more outreach next year to the public
- **Health and Service Director: Bro. Ron Webber**
 - No report this week
- **Public Relations Director: Bro. Chris Gahagen**
 - No report this week

Report of the Fourth Degree:

- No report this week

Insurance Field Agent Report – Bro. Phillip Weise

- No report this week

District Deputy Report – Bro. Greg Brodfehrer

- district35@indianakofc.org
- Have a new state deputy, as Scott Schutte is finishing up his last month
 - New state deputy is: Gil Spisak
 - Many thanks to Scott for his service to the Knights over the past few years
- The Council received the Faith in Action Award at the State Convention
 - Award was received due to our efforts with the Baby Burial Box project
- The State has started a Challenge Coin program to reward Knights for their extraordinary efforts
 - Bro. Eric Hunter was presented with the challenge coin for his efforts representing our council at the State Convention and being on the Mileage Committee.

Installation of Officers

- The officers on the ballot that was approved were confirmed and installed by District Deputy Greg Brodfehrer

Good of the Order

- Prayers for the good of the order

Closing Prayer

- The Hail Mary was said by all.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Submitted by: Recorder, Dustin Jones, June 11th, 2023

Attested to by: WGK, Matt Lincoln, June 11th, 2023