



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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The Minutes of the
Knights of Columbus Council 13440
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AUGUST 19, 2024

Recorded and submitted by:
Bill Childress, Recorder

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING ON AUGUST 18, 2024

LOCATION: CLYDE-BELTRAN CENTER AT ST. OLIVER PLUNKETT PARISH

TIME: 7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER: Grand Knight Todd Morrow called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

The roles were called by Recorder Bill Childress with the follow Knights present: Worthy Grand Knight Todd Morrow, Deputy Grand Knight Cary Scruggs, Financial Secretary Frank Montelione, Chancellor Javier Tavira, Treasurer Mark Layton, Advocate, Ray Prosek, Two Year Trustee Fritz Siler, Three Year Trustee Robert Barnard, Inside Guard John Spudich, Outside Guard John Agair, Recording Secretary Bill Childress

The following Knights were not present but excused: Chaplain Father Cyriac, One Year Trustee John Davidson. Note the Warden position remains open.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes from the June 17, 2024, meeting were approved unanimously.

Motion: Financial Secretary Frank Montelione

Two Year Trustee Fritz Siler

OFFICER REPORTS

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT:

Grand Knight Todd Morrow reported:

The Audit of the 2023-year has been completed. And all the requisite forms submitted in accordance of the rules.

It was announced that our Worthy Grand Knight had moved into the position of Marshall from color Guard Commander and is now assisting 6 councils in Georgia.

It was reported the School Supply Drive was very successful.

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It was reported due to low registration for Tootsie Roll Drive to Help Persons With Disabilities the August collection had to be canceled. It was noted that St. Bennit's Place can always use community and Knight's support, and hopefully future events will continue going on schedule.

The Coats for kids Drive is currently being set up with a number of opportunities to purchase and provide ample coats at a very reasonable price if we order early this year.

The Blood Drive was announced, and Knightly participation requested.

The Knights of Columbus Patriotic Essay contest was announced and Recording Secretary Bilk Childress, the events coordinator, commented that the event had been publicized in the St. Oliver Plunkett Bulletin.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

TREASURE'S REPORT

Treasurer Mark Layton reported the finances of the council as follows:

Counciln13440 started the month on July with a balance of \$4847 and had expenses of \$3707. This accounted for miscellaneous expenses and donations, the installation dinner, and the Mother's Day Breakfast.

Additionally, he reported our council had \$2458 in revenue mainly related to the money earned at Striper games leaving the council with an ending balance was \$3728.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Financial Secretary Frank Montelione reported the following:

First the Audit had been completed and the papers filed on time.

Second, the Supreme Council needs us to complete our notification of past present knights to update or membership records. Bill Childress has been working on a list as Membership Chairman which will be followed up by our Grand Knight. It was explained if a member isn't contacted they can be placed in a category of Affiliate Membership. This is a state where they are still members but will need to reactivate their membership through our council for full insurance benefit status.

ADVOCATE'S REPORT

Advocate Ray Prosek had no new report this month. He did have an outline to the Robert's Rules of Order he will utilize to correctly oversee meeting procedure this year. He commented that in past meetings the rules may have been incorrectly administered.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Chancellor Javier Tavira commented on the success of the school supply drive. It went fantastic.

TRUSTEES' REPORTS

One Year Trustee John Davidson, Two Year Trustee Fritz Siler, and Three Year Trustee had no report for this month.

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

District Deputy Robert Barnard, in his new role this year, reported:

First the audit was good for the completion of last year's business.

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Second, General Insurance Agent Steve Snoji was having an Fraternal Benefit's Night scheduled and run by an agent on August ,2024 at. PM. Ten members of our council need to attend to complete or requirements for the 2025 Star Award.

Third, incentives are being offered again this year for recruiting new members. additionally, the Coats for Kids Program prices and discount opportunities were outlined. District Deputy Barnard encouraged Council 13440 to maximize our participation this year's all-important cause.

Finally, he encouraged participation St. Oliver's approaching Gala and the upcoming Keep Christ in Christmas Campaign and the related cost incentives.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Grand Knight Todd Morrow report and Membership CHAIRMAN Bill Childress concurred there were no new members reading up to this meeting.

INSURANCE AGENTS REPORT

An insurance agent wasn't present and no report was given at this meeting.

OTHER UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Worthy Grand Knight Todd Morrow reported the budget had been finalized. At that point a short discussion ensued with the conclusion of such being a motion to pass the 2024-2025 Budget.

The motion was made by: Financial Secretary Frank Montelione.

The motion was seconded by: Two Year Trustee Fritz Siler.

The vote passed Unanimously.

The Angel Auction was covered, and it was noted the return of money from this event may vary. It was commented that this event was more an art than a science and hard to predict the exact outcome.

Worthy Grand Knight Todd Morrow request 10 registered volunteers for the August Breakfast and noted if there are not enough workers the event will have to be cancelled.

Chancellor Javier Tavier reported on the breakfast plans for all the masses.

District Deputy Robert Barnard commented on the need for Safe Environment Training and encouraged completion by as many knights as permitted to make sure council events are run safely and properly.

Evangelization and Faith Formation were discussed as priorities and the Pennies from Heaven Program was described by District Deputy Robert Barnard. He issued containers for the collection of change and requested their timely return to raise money for the Monastery of the Holy Spirit.

Recording Secretary Bill Childress introduced a motion which was supplemented by a motion by deputy Grand Knight Carey Scruggs to make contributions to Breast and Prostate Cancer. The motions were discussed and tabled until they were completed by the concerned parties. Worthy Grand Knight Todd Morrow expressed support for the cause and added he is going have related medical treatment in the coming months and requested prayer support from the council for all persons to the issue.

Recording Secretary Bill Childress advertised and requested sign-ups for a pilgrimage he and other Knights are exploring for the Columbus Day 2025 Week in New Have the Knights of Columbus founding City. Details are in the Appendix to these minutes.

PRAYERS FOR KNIGHTS AND THE GOD OF THE ORDER

The prayers were given for all persons in distress and other related groups.

ADJOURNMENT

Worthy Grand Knight Todd Morrow adjourned the August meeting at 8:16 PM

The next scheduled meeting will be held September 16, 2024 in the Kane-Beltran Center at 7:00PM.

APPENDIX:

Roberts Rules of Order – Simplified

Guiding Principles:

- Everyone has the right to participate in discussion if they wish, before anyone may speak a second time.
- Everyone has the right to know what is going on at all times. Only urgent matters may interrupt a speaker.
- Only one thing (motion) can be discussed at a time.

A **motion** is the topic under discussion (e.g., "I move that we add a coffee break to this meeting"). After being recognized by the president of the board, any member can introduce a motion when no other motion is on the table. A motion requires a second to be considered. If there is no second, the matter is not considered. Each motion must be disposed of (passed, defeated, tabled, referred to committee, or postponed indefinitely).

How to do things:

You want to bring up a new idea before the group.

After recognition by the president of the board, present your motion. A second is required for the motion to go to the floor for discussion, or consideration.

You want to change some of the wording in a motion under discussion.

After recognition by the president of the board, move to amend by

- adding words,
- striking words or
- striking and inserting words.

You like the idea of a motion being discussed, but you need to reword it beyond simple word changes.

Move to substitute your motion for the original motion. If it is seconded, discussion will continue on both motions and eventually the body will vote on which motion they prefer.

You want more study and/or investigation given to the idea being discussed.

Move to refer to a committee. Try to be specific as to the charge to the committee.

You want more time personally to study the proposal being discussed.

Move to postpone to a definite time or date.

You are tired of the current discussion.

Move to limit debate to a set period of time or to a set number of speakers. Requires a 2/3rds vote.

You have heard enough discussion.

Move to close the debate. Also referred to as calling the question. This cuts off discussion and brings the assembly to a vote on the pending question only. Requires a 2/3rds vote.

You want to postpone a motion until some later time.

Move to table the motion. The motion may be taken from the table after 1 item of business has been conducted. If the motion is not taken from the table by the end of the next meeting, it is dead. To kill a motion at the time it is tabled requires a 2/3rds vote. A majority is required to table a motion without killing it.

You believe the discussion has drifted away from the agenda and want to bring it back.
 "Call for orders of the day."

You want to take a short break.
 Move to recess for a set period of time.

You want to end the meeting.
 Move to adjourn.

You are unsure the president of the board announced the results of a vote correctly.
 Without being recognized, call for a "division of the house." A roll call vote will then be taken.

You are confused about a procedure being used and want clarification.
 Without recognition, call for "Point of Information" or "Point of Parliamentary Inquiry." The president of the board will ask you to state your question and will attempt to clarify the situation.

You have changed your mind about something that was voted on earlier in the meeting for which you were on the winning side.
 Move to reconsider. If the majority agrees, the motion comes back on the floor as though the vote had not occurred.

You want to change an action voted on at an earlier meeting.
 Move to rescind. If previous written notice is given, a simple majority is required. If no notice is given, a 2/3^{ds} vote is required.

Unanimous Consent:

If a matter is considered relatively minor or opposition is not expected, a call for unanimous consent may be requested. If the request is made by others, the president of the board will repeat the request and then pause for objections. If none are heard, the motion passes.

- **You may INTERRUPT a speaker for these reasons only:**
 - to get information about business –point of information to get information about rules– parliamentary inquiry
 - if you can't hear, safety reasons, comfort, etc. –question of privilege
 - if you see a breach of the rules –point of order
 - if you disagree with the president of the board's ruling –appeal
 - if you disagree with a call for Unanimous Consent –object

Quick Reference					
	Must Be Seconded	Open for Discussion	Can be Amended	Vote Count Required to Pass	May Be Reconsidered or Rescinded
Main Motion	√	√	√	Majority	√
Amend Motion	√	√		Majority	√
Kill a Motion	√			Majority	√
Limit Debate	√		√	2/3 ^{ds}	√
Close Discussion	√			2/3 ^{ds}	√
Recess	√		√	Majority	
Adjourn (End meeting)	√			Majority	
Refer to Committee	√	√	√	Majority	√
Postpone to a later time	√	√	√	Majority	√
Table	√			Majority	
Postpone Indefinitely	√	√	√	Majority	√

APPENDIX:

BREAST CANCER AND COUNCIL 13440



MOTION:

“BEING BREAST CANCER IS A CONCERN OF EVERY KNIGHT AND COMMON GOAL OF OUR ORDER ALONG WITH MILLIONS, IF NOT CERTAINLY BILLIONS OF THE WORLD'S POPULACES. WE BEING ENLIGHTENED OF THIS THROUGH THE EYE-OPENING EFFORTS OF THE ZETA TAU ALPHA FOUNDATION TO SUPPORT THIS COMMON BATTLE WILL GIVE \$500 TO SUPPORT THAT CAUSE OF THEIR FOUNDATION OR ANOTHER EQUALLY HARDWORKING GROUP. AND RECOGNIZE THE EFFORTS OF THE ZTA FOUNDATIONS AT LEAST WITH A LETTER OF GRATITUDE FOR THEIR NOBLE EFFORTS”