

# Fr. Richard E Gubbels Council

## 15603 Meeting Minutes

### August 24, 2015

I. Call to Order – Steve Wieneke 7:01pm

Brothers, we are about to open this council in the first section. All persons not having received the honors of membership in the first section shall please retire from the chamber. The doors shall now be closed and the guards assume their positions.

II. Warden’s Report on Membership Cards – Tom Judge

Worthy Warden, do you vouch that all present are in possession of a current membership card?  
(Response: Worthy Grand Knight, I vouch that all present are in possession of a current membership card.)

III. Opening Prayer – Father Larry Hoffmann

IV. Pledge of Allegiance – Steve Wieneke

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

V. Roll Call of Officers – Steve Crann

Officers are to remain standing until The Worthy Recorder calls your name.

| <i><b>Position:</b></i> | <i><b>Officer:</b></i> | <i><b>Present/Excused:</b></i> |
|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Chaplain                | Fr. Larry Hoffmann     | p                              |
| Grand Knight            | Steve Wieneke          | p                              |
| Deputy Grand Knight     | Paul Moritz            | p                              |
| Chancellor              | Jason Madison          | p                              |
| Recorder                | Steve Crann            | p                              |
| Treasurer               | Jim Roths              | p                              |
| Financial Secretary     | Greg Schwaller         | p                              |
| Advocate                | Tom Joensen            | e                              |
| Warden                  | Mike Gatzke            | e                              |
| Inside Guard            | Chuck Geest            | p                              |
| Outside Guard           | John McPherson         | e                              |
| Trustee                 | Bob Lickteig           | p                              |
| Trustee                 | Jamie McNaughton       | p                              |
| Trustee                 | Bruce Mehlhop          | p                              |
| Lecturer                | Dcn Dan McGuire        | p                              |

32 members in attendance.

VI. Minutes of the Previous Meeting - Steve Crann

The Worthy Recorder has provided the minutes from our last meeting on July 27, 2015. Are there any corrections to these minutes? Do I have a motion to accept these minutes as presented/corrected, Gary Olson? Do I have a second? Jim Isobaker All those in favor say “I”. All those opposed same sign. The minutes are approved as presented/corrected.

VII. Grand Knight's Report – Steve Wieneke

- A. Membership: New 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Members = (4) Adam Royal, Kevin Fisher, Matthew Schmitt and David Grebasch
- B. New 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree = (2) Aaron Shell and Craig Oberreuter.
- C. New Transfers = (1) Joseph Brunkhorst.

Congratulations and welcome to all of our new members!

- D. New 4<sup>th</sup> Degree = 0
- E. Updates to calendar of events since last meeting
- F. Next Council Officers Meeting, September 14, 7:00 p.m. St. Luke's School Library
- G. Next Council Business Meeting, September 28, 7:00 p.m. at St. Luke's Gymnasium
- H. Stay after meeting for food, drink and fellowship – Free will donation. Vocations Committee provides snacks at August meeting. Publicity/Public Relations Committee provides snacks at the September meeting.

VIII. Chaplain's Report – Father Larry

- A. Special thanks to those who rebuilt and installed the kneelers.
- B. Still trying to purchase more pews.
- C. Share your faith with others. It is more important than you know.

Please let Chaplain know if you have noticed a person whom you think would be a good candidate for the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life. Let us now stand and join in a Prayer for Vocations:

God of love, your Spirit dwells in our hearts. Inspire more persons of faith to serve your Church through vowed religious life, diaconate, and priesthood. Guide us along with parents, families, and friends to encourage them to embrace the vocation to which you call them. Amen

IX. Treasurer's Report – Jim Roths

- A. Expenses: \_\_\_\_\_ \$328.82
- B. Deposits: \_\_\_\_\_ \$431.23
- C. Checking: \_\_\_\_\_ \$3,478.67
- D. Savings: \_\_\_\_\_ \$500.04
- E. Investments: \_\_\_\_\_ \$0

Are there any questions about this report? Do I have a motion to accept this report as presented? Bob Lickeig. Do I have a second? Bruce Mehlhop. All those in favor say "I". All those opposed same sign. The report is approved as presented.

X. Financial Secretary's Report – Greg Schwaller

A. Communication and Expenses

- i. Hy-Vee \$37.62 refreshments
- ii. Supplies \$67.75 to Supreme. Postage \$5.75
- iii. State council \$49.95

B. Communications - none

Are there any questions about this report? Do I have a motion to accept this report as presented? Dave Clarke. Do I have a second? Jason Hatch. All those in favor say "I". All those opposed same sign. The report is approved as presented.

XI. District Deputy's Report - Jamie McNaughton

- A. Congratulations and welcome new members.
- B. Pro life trap shoot event to be held in Creston, IA.
- C. Jamie sees other councils say rosary before monthly meetings.

Deacon Dan McGuire suggested we "pray" the rosary with meaning. Paul Moritz volunteered to help lead the saying of the rosary before meetings. The Church Committee members will also be asked to help with this project.

XII. Insurance Agent's Report - Matt Munoz has moved to Texas, replacement agents being sought. Contact Shawn Stills if you have interest in this career opportunity.

XIII. Officer and Committee Chair Reports

Church - Brad Shell - no report

Council - Nate Meier – Indicated interest for the council to promote and conduct a Home for the Holidays Coloring Contest this year.

Culture of Life - Bob Lickteig – Still planning to conduct events this year. More to come soon. Jim Isobaker provided comments and concerns about Planned Parenthood negative publicity and provided two versions of a letter that could be sent to Planned Parenthood staff and elected officials. Jim expressed the need for all Knights to write letters to go on record and give these groups our opinion. A handout with the two versions of the letter were distributed to members. Father Larry supports and encourages our members to write to these groups and voice our opinion.

Family - Jim Roths - Knights are planning to sponsor a family fun night in January 2016. The Family and Youth Committees need to meet and establish a date to reserve facilities and determine what this event will consist of.

Youth – Ben Ledyard - no report

Membership (Recruitment, Retention, Development, Degree Advancement, Exemplification Ceremonies - Jason Madison, Bob Lickteig and Bruce Mehlhop

Jason Madison

Welcome new members. Membership drive is going well. Working on strategy to recruit more new members.

Steve Wieneke

Thank you for the team members that helped with conducting the 1<sup>st</sup> degree exemplification ceremony tonight prior to our business meeting.

Fr. Larry

Thank you for all who participated in the corporate communion mass.

Vocations – Tom Joensen - no report

Publicity/Public Relations – Mike Gatzke - no report

Fund Raising Projects - Jason Hatch see new business

#### XIV. Unfinished Business

Habitat for Humanity Pope Francis Home Build - Paul Carlson

Great turn out. Finished by 2:30 p.m.

Received an email from Habitat staff stating great appreciation of all the workers.

Corporate Communion Mass – Jason Madison

Thank you for all that helped

First Degree Exemplification Ceremony – Bruce Mehlhop

Request more Knights attend exemplification ceremonies to show support to members.

Bruce Mehlhop recognized past Grand Knight, Jamie McNaughton with a belated thank you. plaque of thanks for a job well done in serving as our past Grand Knight.

Wedding Reception for Carlson Family at Scottish Rite - Bob Lickteig - Bob is contacting workers we will need for this event.

#### XV. New Business

CPID Tootsie Roll Campaign Plan – Paul Moritz

Had the State Fair CPID on Friday August 14<sup>th</sup>. Raised a little over \$400.

Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> we will have volunteers at 2 stores (Ankeny Hy-Vee South and Polk City Fareway). Please sign up on the sign up genius. Paul Moritz will resend the link. We need as many Knights to help with this project as possible. Spouses and children are welcome to help also.

Church Kitchen Update - Bruce Mehlhop

Kitchen is fully ready to use. Thanks to Gary Glen, Steve Wieneke, and Bob Lickteig. Moved all the plates, bowls, cups, glasses, pots and pans into the church and cleaned about a third of what we plan to use in the near future. Bruce discussed new safety and sanitary standards that are now responsible for adhering to since our facility is now associated with a school meal program.

Knights End of Season Golf Banquet – Jason Hatch

Passed around a signup sheet for volunteers needed. We need at least 5 members to help prep and cook and another 6 members to help clean up.

Christmas Wreath Sales – Jason Hatch

Sales will start September 26<sup>th</sup> and will end October 25<sup>th</sup>. We will need Knights for after masses to sell wreaths. Jason will distribute signup sheet for this.

CEW Weekend Retreat – Paul Mortiz - Men's weekend retreat will be January 29-31, 2016 at OLIH. All men are encouraged to attend. Brochures were distributed.

Knights & Family Ribeye Steak, Beer and Benefits Night - Steve Wieneke

All Knights and families are invited to attend this event. This event will be held in lieu of our monthly business meeting on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Email SAVE THE DATE invites will be sent out within a couple weeks. Tom Carpenter suggested we ask Council 5038 to provide a few members to serve and cleanup.

Bob Lickteig - Our area 4th Degree members are furnishing flags for all classrooms in our school. Please recognize and thank those involved with this effort.

XVI. 3 Month Look Ahead – Exemplification Ceremonies - Steve Wieneke

- A. First Degree Exemplification, September 6, 2015, 6:30 pm, Council 15347, St. Mary's Elkhart
- B. First Degree Exemplification, September 7, 2015, 6:30 pm, Council 12482, St. Anthony's Des Moines
- C. First Degree Exemplification, September 7, 2015, 6:30 p.m., Council 5038, OLIH, Ankeny
- D. 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Exemplification, September 13, 12:30 p.m., Knoxville

XVII. Good of the Order - Deacon Dan McGuire

Before proceeding to the Good of the Order, let me ask: Does any Brother present know of a member of this Council, or an unassisted Brother of the Order, sick or in distress? All unemployed and underemployed Brother Knights;

- A. For a Culture of Life;
- B. For our parish - Saint Luke the Evangelist;
- C. All of our Military Service Women, Men and their families
- D. All of our departments of public safety (police, fire fighters, etc.)
- E. Gary Olson - Brother - Illness
- F. Msgr Jerry Stessman and Fr. Bob Shoemann – Health Issues
- G. Ben Ledyard – Father – Illness
- H. Paul Moritz
  - i. Eva's Sister Geri Anne – Brain Tumor
  - ii. Eva's Brother-in-law Randy Snyder – Death
- I. Brett Kenyon – Grandmother – Illness
  - i. Mother was told cancer has returned
- J. Tom Schilmoeller – Recovery from surgery
- K. Steve Crann's Father – Illness
- L. Mike Gatzke – recovery from surgery
- M. Mike Gatzke- Wife's niece – Illness
- N. Jason Hatch's brother-in-law - Crisis of Faith
- O. Fr. Don Brook - had surgery
- P. Dave Clarke - Added Rich to list. He fell off ladder and was injured.
- Q. Bob Lickteig – Aunt in bad health
- R. Jason Hatch - Friends wife nephew was struck by a drunk driver. Prayers for their family

Let us now observe a moment of silence for the Good of the Order.

XVIII. Good for the Order – Deacon Dan McGuire

Does any Brother present have any positive news, accomplishments, deeds, etc. which he would like to share?

Lecturer Moment - Deacon Dan McGuire

XIX. Closing Prayer - Prayer of an Iowa Knight – Deacon Dan McGuire

Heavenly Father, You are the author of life and source of grace. Without you, we are nothing, and with you, all things are possible. Guide us that we may humbly serve your people. Bless us with your grace that the work of the Knights of Columbus will make a difference, in that small part of the world, you have entrusted to us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in union with the Holy Spirit, as one God forever and ever, Amen.

XX. Adjournment

I now declare this meeting adjourned. 8:11p.m.