



I. Call to Order – Paul Moritz



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 – Mike Gatzke

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.)

- **Motion to approve visitors to stay. Moved by Bob Lickteig, 2nd by Jack Troxel**

III. Opening Prayer – Father Larry Hoffmann



IV. Pledge of Allegiance – Paul Moritz

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

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



- **35 attendees, 3 visitors**

<i>Position:</i>	<i>Officer:</i>	<i>Present/Excused:</i>
Chaplain	Fr. Larry Hoffmann	P
Grand Knight	Paul Moritz	P
Deputy Grand Knight	Steve Crann	P
Chancellor	Jason Madison	P
Recorder	Nate Meier	P
Treasurer	Jim Roths	P
Financial Secretary	Greg Schwaller	E
Advocate	Tom Joensen	E
Warden	Mike Gatzke	P
Inside Guard	Chuck Geest	E
Outside Guard	John McPherson	P
Trustee	Jamie McNaughton	P
Trustee	Bruce Mehlhop	P
Trustee	Steve Wieneke	P
Lecturer	Paul Carlson	P

VI. Minutes of the Previous Meeting – The Worthy Recorder has provided the minutes from our last meeting on October 24, 2016. Are there any additions or corrections to these minutes? Do I have a motion to accept these minutes? Do I have a second? All those in favor say “I”. All opposed same sign.

- **Motion to approve minutes, moved by Jamie McNaughton, 2nd by Tom Judge**

- VII. **Rosary Check** Tom Judge of the Vocations Committee will check to see if the members have their rosary. Any Knights who forgot their rosary will be subject to a \$1.00 fine. Proceeds from the Rosary Check will be donated to the Pennies for Heaven projects.
- **\$7 collected from members not having rosaries on hand**

VIII. **Grand Knight's Report – Paul Moritz**

- CPID Tootsie Roll Drive Presentations
 - Candeo – **Nancy from Candeo was presented a check for \$2,556.19 from Council #15603. Candeo supports mentally handicapped, disorders, and brain injury patients across Polk County.**
 - Easter Seals – **Alison Piatza from Easter Seals was presented a check for \$1,583.17 from Council #15603. Easter Seals is a disabilities services provider for all patients from 6 months old to older age.**
 - Mosaic – **Janet Fischer from Mosaic was presented a check for \$1,968.89 from Council #15603. Mosaic has been around for 103 years and supports intellectual disabilities and provides residential support.**
- Family of the Quarter (July/August/ September)
 - **Schon Family (Ryan, Meg, and Andrew)**
- Membership: New 1st Degree Members
 - **5-6 church member are being actively recruited for the 1st Degree Program**
 - **Additional transfers and readmissions being sought after**
 - **Total of 12 candidates being actively recruited**
 - **Deacon Fred Cornwell became a new transfer from Adair, IA. He is in the process of becoming the new Deacon at St. Luke's**
- New 2nd, 3rd and 4th Degree Members
 - N/A
- Readmission
 - N/A
- Next Council Officers Meeting is Sunday, December 11th at 7:30 p.m. in Classroom 121.
- Next Business Meeting is Monday, January 23rd at 7:00 p.m. at St. Luke's Gymnasium. This will be the Family Dinner and Benefits Program. There is no December Business Meeting.
- Stay after meeting for liquid refreshments and fellowship – free will donation. The Church Committee provided snacks and refreshments for our meeting tonight. The Council Committee will provide snacks and beverages for the February business meeting.

IX. **Chaplain's Report – Father Larry**



Please let the 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

- **Reflection on Fr. John Lorenz funeral. Fr. Hoffman replaced him in Osceola with the tam ministry group there.**

X. Treasurer's Report – Jim Roths

- a. Expenses: \$9,394.02 (\$7,118.44 for CPID drive, 1,950.00)
- b. Deposits: \$3,578.06
- c. Checking: \$8,465.19
- d. Savings: \$579.17
- e. Investments: \$2,355.00

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

- **Motion was made to accept by Gary Olson and 2nd by Todd Cogdon**

XI. Financial Secretary's Report – Greg Schwaller

- a. Expenses
- b. Communications

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

- **Motion was approved 1st by Paul Carlson and 2nd by Matt Schmidt**

XII. District Deputy's Report - Jamie McNaughton

Items for Discussion and Action

- **Not much happening on the state side...more to share in January**
- **Have a safe and happy holidays!**

XIII. **Insurance Agent's Report** - Members that have an interest in meeting with an agent are to contact Paul or they can get in touch with our agent Nick Still directly.

- N/A

XIV. Officer and Committee Chair Reports:

Church - Brad Shell

- ***Provided after meeting snacks***

Council – Rich Huber

- *N/A*

Family - Jim Roths

- *Family Fun Night...having a hard time finding a date that works.*

Membership: -

Recruitment – Steve Wieneke

Retention - Bob Lickteig

Exemplification – Bruce Mehlhop

Vocations – Tom Judge

- **N/A**

Community – Matthew Schmitt

- Christmas wreath sales wrap-up

- **Ordered 150 wreaths and sold all but two (donate to family in need)**

- **Profit of \$1,235**

Meal Fund Raising – Jason Hatch and Ryan Schon

- December 11th Knights Breakfast

- **Serving Egg Nog pancakes, sausage...Passing signup sheet to help during the two shifts**

- **Had a donation of 60 cloth napkins and 3 table cloths**

Youth – Ben Ledyard

- Rescheduling of the Knights Free Throw Contest to Saturday, January 14th
 - **Looking for ideas for recruitment committee**

Culture of Life – Bob Lickteig

- Report on Reverse Collection
 - N/A

- 1st Degree Exemplification Ceremony at St. Luke's – January 8th
- 1st Degree Exemplification Ceremony in West Des Moines – January 10th
- 1st Degree Exemplification Ceremony at St. Luke's – February 4th

XV. Good of the Order - Paul Carlson

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?

- **Advent Season is the start of a new liturgical year**
- **Christmas Wreaths were created in 16th Century Germany to symbolize signs of success and importance**
- **Keep Christ in Christmas**

- All unemployed and underemployed Brother Knights;
- For a Culture of Life;
- For our parish - Saint Luke the Evangelist;
- All of our Military Service Women, Men and their families
- All of our departments of public safety (police, fire fighters, etc.)
- Gary Olson - Brother - Illness
- Fr. Bob Shoemann – Health issues
- Deacon Dan McGuire – Eileen Dennis - Cancer
- Bob Lickteig – Uncle Tom in bad health
- Tom Gates – Diagnosed with melanoma in right eye, having radiation treatments
- John Kahler – Having trouble with cancer in lower back
- Tom Manderscheid – wife's friend has tumor removed from brain
- Cogdill Family Friend – 20 month old child (Drew) has cancer, undergoing chemo treatment
- Jim Isobaker – Pam had cataract surgery, recovery
- Tom Carpenter – brother-in-law passed away
- Gary Glenn – friend's grandson having seizures and operation on brain as well as friend and wife involved in auto accident and death (past Grand Knight).
- Jason Hatch's brother-in-law - Crisis of Faith
- Brett Kenyon – Marita diagnosed with breast cancer for third time
- Gary Glenn – Brother In-law passed away.
- Steve Wieneke – Friend on rotary, Damon Miller, has rare blood infections and is in intensive care for 3 months
- Terry Kruse – Brother Fr. Tony Kruse health issues
- Dick Timmerman – K of C brother who's funeral was in November 2016**

- **Jim Roths made motion to donate \$50 for any brother Knight that passes**
- **Consider creating process to cover this area that could call, visit, and offer help with funeral preparations**

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

XVI. Good for the Order – Paul Carlson

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

- **Dave Grabasch brother adopted 4 children on November 19th**
- **Tom Judge on the council grill will be one after the 1st of the new year**
- **Jason Hatch – received first catering job and wedding cake**

XVII. Closing Prayer - Prayer of an Iowa Knight



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.

XVIII. Adjournment - @ 8:32pm