



I. Call to Order – Terry Kruse



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.

Motion to suspend the rules by Paul Moritz, Jim Isobaker 2nd, motion passes.

Presentation of Family of the quarter to Bruce & Debbie Mehlhop.

Presentation of Knight of the quarter to Dallas Schechinger.

II. Warden’s Report on Membership Cards – Tony McKillip

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 – Fr Larry



IV. Pledge of Allegiance – Terry Kruse

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.



<i>Position:</i>	<i>Officer:</i>	<i>Present/Excused:</i>
Chaplain	Fr. Ken Halbur	E
Grand Knight	Terry Kruse	P
Deputy Grand Knight	Todd Cogdill	P
Chancellor	Jason Richards	P
Recorder	Mitch Geistkemper	P
Treasurer	Mike Roarty	P

Financial Secretary	Jim Roths	P
Advocate	Tom Joensen	E
Warden	Tony McKillip	E
Inside Guard	Dave Clark	E
Outside Guard	Dave Grebasch	E
Trustee	Jason Madison	E
Trustee	Steve Crann	E
Trustee	Paul Moritz	P
Lecturer	Dn Matt Halbach	P

32 total members in attendance

VI. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** – The Worthy Recorder has provided the minutes from our last official meeting (no previous meeting for current term). 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 accept the minutes Jim Isobaker, 2nd by Tom Carpenter, motion passes.

VII. **Rosary & Badge Check** - Proceeds from the Rosary & Badge Check will be donated to the Pennies for Heaven projects.

VIII. **Grand Knight’s Report – Terry Kruse**

- a. Next Officers Meeting: Sunday, February 9th at 7:00pm. All are welcome!
- b. Next Business Meeting is February 24th, 6:30pm Rosary, 7:00pm meeting.
- c. Stay after meeting for snacks, refreshments and fellowship – free will donation.

IX. **Chaplain’s Report – Fr. Ken Halbur**



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:

X. **Treasurer’s Report – Mike Roarty**

- a. Expenses: \$1,340.70
- b. Deposits: \$3,776.11

- c. Checking: \$7,216.46
- d. Savings: \$591.04
- e. Investments: \$8,711.70

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 by Mike Gatzke, 2nd by Jim Isobaker, motion passes

XI. **Financial Secretary's Report – Jim Roths**

a. Expenses:

- \$63.36 - Jason Richards - Breakfast supplies
- \$56.66 - Gary Glenn - Breakfast supplies
- \$132.00 - Supreme Council - Culture of Life
- \$647.25 - Supreme Council - Per Capita
- \$83.00 - Steve Vonrahe - 2nd/3rd team expense
- \$72.24 - HyVee - Breakfast supplies
- \$83.37 - Jason Richards - 2nd/3rd meal/snacks
- \$11.03 - Terry Kruse - December meeting snacks
- \$100.00 - Ben Ledyard - Donation for expenses to send son to go to the March for Life
- \$22.48 - Paul Moritz Snacks for January Meeting
- \$9.82 - Doug Cox - Copies for free throw competition

b. Communications:

- Thanks you cards from Easter seals, Candeo and Mosaic
- Received an application for KofC scholarship (deadline is Apr 1, listed on the web site)

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Motion to accept by Bob Lickteig, 2nd by Jim Isobaker, motion passes.

XII. **District Deputy's Report - Dennis Westover**

- We no longer recruit members, we invite them.
- We have a new exemplification ceremony. OLIH will be having the first ceremony in March.
- Awards we might want to send to state needs to be in by Feb. You can nominate someone, you can nominate a family. The family doesn't need to be Knights members, if selected they'll get a personally embossed Bible.
- April 17-19 is State convention, we need to identify delegates and reserve rooms. Attendees must use the specified hotels.

XIII. **Insurance Agent's Report – Rob Ryan**

Members that have an interest in meeting with an agent are to contact Rob at Robert.ryan@kofc.org. "I would like to report that it has been exactly one year since I have had the honor of serving you as your field agent. Congratulations on your Star Council last year, congratulations on achieving the insurance quota for this year already! Thanks for building up that small part of the world that God has entrusted to you."

XIV. Officer and Committee Chair Reports:

- a. Skip for now.

XV. Unfinished Business

- a. Name Badges: anyone still need one?
- b. Enter service hours - <https://www.saintluketheevangelist.org/kofc-volunteer-hours-form>

XVI. New Business

- a. Goals for Fraternal Year
 - i. Update/Revamp/Revitalize Committees. Supreme requires for Star Council. Draft descriptions and programs are as follows (Adopted from <http://www.kofc.org/en/resources/programs/10590-faith-in-action-guidebook.pdf>):
 - ii. As you may know the Council has reconfigured our committees and are asking Knights to "join" and get involved in a committee of choice. Please take a moment to consider involvement and what you can do to support the Council and its mission. Committee descriptions, programs each committee is responsible for, Chair and Co-chair information, and a sign-up can be found at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SYQDYPS>

Faith – Chair, Mike Roarty, Co-Chair?

Our goal is to strengthen our men and their families in the faith. When we entered the order, we were reminded to constantly inform ourselves in the Catholic faith. This formation goes beyond mere facts or religious practice to an authentic connection with a loving god and his son Jesus Christ. Programs in this category are designed to draw us closer to God and the Church in a tangible and meaningful way — whether through helping the future shepherds of the mother Church, quiet contemplation in a spiritual reflection program, or honoring Mary, mother of God. These programs should strive to arm us for the spiritual battle that our men and families face daily.

Programs

- Present Rosaries to parents of Baptized Children
- Corporate Communion Mass
- Keep Christ in Christmas poster coloring contest
- Christmas Wreath Sales
- Red/Blue Mass

Community – Chair, Paul Moritz, Co-Chair?

Charity is the first principle of our Order. Being Catholics who embrace the principle of Charity means that we share it with “the whole” or to the “community in general”. There are numerous projects we can get involved with to help our neighbors and assist those in need within our local community. Councils that conduct these programs are positively shaping their communities by addressing the needs of its citizens.

Programs

- Habitat for Humanity house builds
- Slumberland mattress deliveries
- Coats for Kids
- Cans for Lent

Family – Chairs, Doug Cox and Tony McKillip

Programs developed for families by families. We must strive to help prevent the death of the family by administering preventive medicine. By conducting those programs and activities, which aid in rebuilding the family spirit from within, we aim to make it vital and strong enough to resist society's ills. We encourage our members and their families to choose as their model the Holy Family, copying their attitude of interdependence, sharing and respect for authority.

Our family programs are an evolution and response to a society that seeks to weaken the bonds of family. We must make it clear that society should value a family that is faithful to God and each other. Father McGivney's vision for family life was not only financial and material aid but also spiritual strength, as holiness is the calling of all baptized Christians. Put plainly, the majority of our time is easily spent in secular circles unless we intentionally create ways to live the domestic church. These programs help us to live this call.

Programs

- Spelling Bee Contest
- Free-Throw Contest
- Bike/Walk Run

Culture of Life – Chair, Bruce Mehlhop

The urgency of the threat to a culture of life cannot be misunderstood. Respect for the dignity of life demands a commitment to human rights across abroad spectrum. Both as Knights of Columbus and as followers of Christ, "Catholics must be committed to the defense of life in all its stages and in every condition" (St. John Paul ii, 1995). The Knights of Columbus defends the dignity of each human being at every stage of life. Knights work together to build a culture of life and a civilization of love. Your council should stand ready to assist any pregnant woman in need, care for the elderly, aid the handicapped, empower those with special needs to realize their full potential and bring attention to the injustices of abortion, embryonic stem cell research, euthanasia and assisted suicide.

Programs

- Diaper Drive
- Agape Pregnancy Center, Ultrasound funding

Membership and Retention – Chair?

Recruiting new members is essential to the continued growth and well-being of our Council and the Order. Offering membership in the Knights of Columbus gives men the opportunity to improve their own life and their community. Membership allows men to experience the fraternal bond that Knights share while growing closer to their family and faith. Membership provides eligibility to participate in the purchase of insurance products and take advantage of other fraternal benefits. This committee is broken down into three sub-committees focusing on recruitment, retention and the planning and conduct of exemplification ceremonies.

Programs

- Exemplification Ceremonies
- Church Drives
- Prospecting

Meal/Fundraising – Chair, Jason Richards, Co-Chair?

Programs

- Quarterly Breakfasts
- Golf Banquet Dinners

- Teacher Appreciation Dinner
- iii. Reengagement of Inactive Knights
 - iv. Safe Environment Training
 - We are encouraged to go through the training.
 - There are two kinds of training, green & blue. Includes a background check.
 - Keep a copy of the completion certificate, certification is good for 2 years.
 - <http://www.kofc.org/en/members/programs/youth-activities/safe-environment-program.html>
 - b. Catholic Workers House – Paul Moritz
 - i. See Paul if you're interested in helping.
 - ii. helping there once a month.
 - c. Apparel Order – Mike Gatzke.
 - i. We will no longer be doing our own apparel, use knights gear. You can still personalize the apparel there.
 - d. Spelling Bee – Recap Tony McKillip
 - i. Mike Roarty - Had 14 participants for 4th grade, 1 for 7th, none for 5th & 6th grade.
 - ii. We have no idea when or where the regional competition will be.
 - e. Free Throw Contest, Sunday, February 2 1-3:00pm – Doug Cox
 - i. Ages 9-14 will be in the St Lukes Gym, needs about 3 helpers. Passed out a signup sheet.

XVII.3 Month Look Ahead

- a. Solidify Calendar –
 - i. Blue/Red Mass - Thursday May 14th, 5:30 pm mass
 - ii. Golf Banquet - Is scheduled in April 5, 2020 5:30pm
 - iii. State Convention (April 17-19 Sioux City Convention Center, Sioux City)
 - iv. Teacher Appreciation Dinner - Not been discussed, need to coordinate with Fr Ken & Misty.
 - v. Knights Mass - Not scheduled yet
- b. New Exemplification Ceremony – Sunday, March 8 after 8:30 mass (start time approx. 9:50)
 - i. Dennis Westover - Originally there were only 2 degrees. This is an effort to reduce the amount of time members would need to be away from their families, and be more open.
- c. Knights Breakfast – Sun Feb 9, serving 9:00am-12:00pm.
 - i. Will send out a signup genius.
 - ii. Cinnamon rolls and slingers (breakfast foods with chili on top)
 - iii. Early shift will likely start at 7:45am
- d. 4th degree ceremony – March 28th at OLIH.
- e. State Bowling Tournament – Sat/Sun March 28-29, Bowlmor Lanes Davenport IA contact Jason Follett (jasonfollett@mediacombb.net) if interested.
- f. Fish Fry – Todd Cogdill
 - i. Asking the council if we are interested in taking a leadership role in the fish fry. The event will die without the Knights taking the lead.
 - ii. Bruce M - OLIH would be happy to promote it if we don't conflict with theirs.
 - iii. Proposed day would be March 27.
 - iv. Served nearly 400 people last year, it has the potential to be a really big fund raiser.
 - v. **Tom carpenter motion to vote on it, 2nd by Paul Moritz, motion to vote.**
 - vi. **Vote results: 2 opposed, all others in favor**

- g. KC Pro Life Run – Sioux City to Davenport, June 2020
 - i. Anyone interested in participating contact ask Terry for contract info.
- h. Bruce Mehlhop - Keep Christ in Christmas
 - i. 5-7 group - Abigail Court
 - ii. 8-10 group - Mackenzie Geistkemper
 - iii. None in the upper level

XVIII. Good of the Order - Matt Halbach

Knights of Columbus Prayer intentions

- a. All unemployed and underemployed Brother Knights
- b. For a Culture of Life
- c. For our parish - Saint Luke the Evangelist
- d. All of our Military Service Women, Men and their families
- e. All of our departments of public safety (police, fire fighters, etc.)
- f. Brother Kevin Doty who's battling cancer
- g. The Uncle of Paul Moritz who passed away yesterday
- h. For David Clarke's son John and wife Morgan expecting to deliver their first baby today

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

XIX. Good for the Order – Matt Halbach

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

XX. 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, one God forever and ever, Amen.

XXI. Adjournment