



Knights of Columbus
Bishop Hafey #4507

MINUTES: Council Business Meeting

DATE: 8/20/26 **LOCATION:** PLEC

MEETING OPENED By: Grand Knight Craig Knight at 6:30 PM

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Grand Knight Craig Knight called the roll of officers (X indicates present).

X Grand Knight: Craig Knight	X Financial Secretary: Mike Ilderton	Inside Guard: Doc Gies
Chaplain: Fr. Baiju Paul OSFS	X Treasurer: Steve Bienhoff	X Outside Guard: Doug Streetman
Deputy Grand Knight: Henry Affeldt	X Advocate: Rob Griffin	1 Yr. Trustee: Alex Papp
X Chancellor: R V Wakefield	Lecturer: Deacon Francis Skinner	X 2 Yr. Trustee: John Mullin
X Recorder – Rick Boedicker Nienhuis	X Warden: Ken Demato	X 3 Yr. Trustee: Mark

Call to Order

The business meeting was opened at 6:30 PM by Grand Knight Craig Knight

Grand Knight Craig Knight led the opening prayer.

Grand Knight Craig Knight led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Grand Knight Craig Knight reminded all of protocol for gaining permission to address the Council.

Minutes:

Minutes for the June meeting were emailed to the Council.

Motion made by Mark Nienhuis and seconded by Mike Ilderton to approve the minutes as submitted.

Motion passed.

Chaplain's Message:

No Report

Grand Knight's Report:

GK Craig Knight introduced what would be discussed at tonight's meeting. Primarily related to the budget.

Our focus needs to be on fund raising to support all the requests for charitable contributions.

Most immediate are Parish Picnic, Golf Tournament, Fruit Sale, Keep Christ In Christmas.

Financial Secretary Report

Mike Ilderton presented a budget overview for this coming year which resulted in a deficit. After much discussion, it was decided that a revised balanced budget will be provided for review with the minutes or shortly after that will show a balanced budget to be voted on at the September meeting.

Highlighted items were slight increase to income from fruit sales, rib sales and a \$2 increase to Membership dues.

After further discussion related to how expenses are approved and whether our by-laws currently require budget approval (as currently written, budget approval is not a requirement), approval of the budget as present was tabled pending review of the revised balanced budget to be presented to the membership via email and physically at the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Steve Bienhoff presented the Treasurer's report that for the period of June 14- August 19 '26 resulted in a deficit. Details available upon request.

Joe Monahan questioned whether all expenses were part of the 25- 26 budget and was informed that Coats for Kids, Per Capita, and Money Market entries are part of 26-27 budget.

Membership

Al Guecia mentioned that Mark Black's membership has not been finalized with Supreme and Dean Pearson's transfer from Holy Cross is anticipated.

Family Director

No activity to report for this month.

Faith Formation

No report

Programs and Events

Henry Affeldt absent.

Upcoming events previously noted.

Chester Zukowski spoke on the possibility of future Habitat work days and expressed Habitat's appreciation for the quality of the work performed at the April workday.

Rick Boedicker spoke on the upcoming September 25th golf tournament and the need for many additional players .

Sponsors can contact Joe Hughes to donate.

A registration form is attached to these minutes and also available at both entrances into the Church.

Volunteers on the day of the event to help with registration, lunch and clean up after lunch and after the event,

Community Director

Doug Streetman is working to finalized details on the Fruit Sale. Mixed boxes may have to be assembled in-house. Current plans are for the 1st two weekends in November to be sale weekends.

Coats for Kids are ordered with the BOGO included. A donation to Comfort Weavers currently not in the budget would possibly support caps but not scarves. No date yet for the delivery of the coats.

Life Director

Tim Nizoil not present - no report

Operation LAMB

Steve Ilderton not present - no report

4th Degree Report

R V Wakefield representing the Honor Guard requested 3rd degree members to join the 4th Degree and

become part of the Honor Guard.

Mark Nienhuis relayed the Bishop's request for Honor Guard at the Eucharistic Congress Procession, Mass and Adoration.

State Warden Mike Spire noted the next 4th Degree Exemplification will be on the USS North Carolina in Wilmington in November. Date to be finalized.

Insurance Representative

Insurance representative Miguel Flores reported that a in lieu of the twice required Fraternal benefits nights, he will be meeting with associate members (those not currently enrolled in any benefit program), to prayerfully consider options available.

Miquel will be attending our stewardship fair to assist with member recruitment and information.

District Deputy's Report

See attached and note our new State Deputy is Paul McGrath

Deputy Grand Knight

Henry Affeldt not present - no report

Lecturer Reflection

Deacon Francis Skinner not present - no report

Unfinished Business

Pancake Breakfast on Sunday mornings are not approved by Pastor Fr Patrick O'Connor.

Other forms of fund raising are recommended.

\$500 request for yarn donation is not currently in the proposed budget.

New Business

Our Refreshments Chairman Fred Harris introduced a donation bowl for all to contribute towards the costs for after meeting refreshments.

Fred also offered assistance from his wife who runs the monthly store for religious items to see if our costs for Rosaries can be reduced.

For the Good of the Order

Mike Ilderton requested prayers for Brother Knight Peter Sherman, member since 2024, whose funeral was on August 14th and for his friend Clark Gibson who is battling cancer.

Rick Boedicker requested prayers for Jim and Toni Ragno as Jim is at Baptist Hospital anticipating heart replacement surgery, the family of Brian Dilloway whose son in law, husband of Katie, passed away with his funeral scheduled for August 28th at 11:30 at IHM.

Knight of the Month approved for July is Steve Bienhoff and

Family of the Month approved for July is Henry and Karen Affeldt.

Knight of the Month approved for August is RV Wakefield and at his insistence, the rest of the Honor Guard.

Family of the Month approved for August is Craig and Julissa Knight.

Closing Prayer

GK Craig Knight led us in prayer for the canonization for Father Michael McGiveney

MEETING CLOSED: 7:53 PM.

NEXT Meeting: Sept 17, 2026 in the PLEC at 6:30 pm

MINUTES SUBMITTED: Rick Boedicker



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District Deputy Report

August 2026

District Deputy: Mark Nienhuis

Brother Knights, I bring you greetings from our Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and our Worthy State Deputy Paul McGrath. We thank-you for your service to our order, and charitable works for your Parish, community, and world; building the Kingdom of God.

Council Leadership Training

Council Leadership training was conducted on Saturday, July 18th & 25th.

Theme

The theme was two lungs and one body, to highlight our founder Blessed Michael J. McGivney's dual vision of financial security for widows and orphans and charitable works for the poor and needy. The intent is to strengthen the bond between the Financial Side and Program (Charitable Works) Side

To assist with this intent, the Mahony Agency has committed to:

- An increased presence at council meetings
- To conduct new member one-on-one training (more than just benefits)
- To assist in inviting new members (formerly referred to as membership drives)

Emphasis will be given to Parishes with a large Hispanic presence. Both Fr. Bill Lesak and Field Agent Miguel Flores have committed to helping with Masses and Reflection events, but stressed that the window for scheduling is closing. You need to act now and follow the appropriate steps to schedule.

Awards

Major changes have been made to how awards are given:

- The Founder's Award
It will no longer be based on conducting a few Fraternal Benefit Events with attendance requirements. Now it's based upon one-on-one sessions between Field Agent and associate members (who currently have not purchased a product). Requirements are based on council size ranging between 5 and 15 sessions. No purchase is required. This ties in with the new member orientation.
- Columbian Award
Featured programs and points have been eliminated. Three requirements:
 - Faith in Action
 1. Donate at least \$500 to at least one of the following programs: ASAP, Food for Families, RSVP, or Coats For Kids