

Officers Meeting of January 28, 2021 Minutes

CHICAGO ARCHDIOCESAN CHAPTER

Held VIA Zoom @ 7:00 pm by President Stan Wiejak

Warden's Report

None

Opening Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance

Chaplin Fr. Paul Gins led the opening prayer and Master Alex Tennant lead the Pledge of Allegiance

Opening Ode

Waived

Roll Call of Officers:

	OL	P	A	EX
<i>Chaplain - Father Paul Gins OSM</i>	X			
<i>President - Stan Wiejak</i>	X			
<i>Vice President - Alex Tennant</i>	X			
<i>Secretary - Wayne Bukovic</i>	X			
<i>Treasure - Bob Bukowski</i>	X			
<i>Warden - David Jenkins</i>	X			
<i>Inside Guard - Pete Justen</i>	X			
<i>Outside Guard - Jim Posch</i>			X	
<i>3 - Year Trustee - James Killigrew</i>			X	
<i>2 - Year Trustee - Scott Hawkins</i>	X			
<i>1 - Year Trustee - John Lough</i>	X			

Members in Attendance

Online

Ken Cuprisin Mark Halper Tony Biliskov

Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion made to accept the previous meeting minutes as written by Bob Bukowski and 2nd by Pete Justin. Motion passed.

Chaplains Report.

Chaplin Fr Paul spoke of the importance of life. He stressed that you never know when you will be called home. At Our Lady of Sorrows they had 2 funerals. Fr Dave and Br. Ed passed away. We should be grateful for what God has given us each day. He stressed that we should continue or to start using the daily missal. St. Joseph Sunday Missile can be ordered online to follow along with mass when we watch. They are available on Amazon.

Chapter President Report.

Presidents' report was given by Stan. Stan said he was sorry for the meeting mix up.. Tonight's meeting is an officers meeting due DD's cannot attend. The State Deputy is having a DD meeting tonight. Stan thanked all for the prayers for himself and Melanie while recovering from Covid. Melanie spent 5 days in the hospital. After 30 days they are now getting back to normal. Chicago DD's should be very proud for between you 26 DD's you cover 127 councils thru your GK's the next closest to us is 15 DD's which cover 77 councils. We must continue to be CHICAGO STRONG in membership and to increase the number of Sir Knights, we need to continue with our Council activities. Both in our churches and in our communities. Our DD's need to realize that the Chicago Chapter is here to help with whatever we can to make us even stronger. We are a team and must continue to work together to do the work of our order, our church and our community. It is with great joy to announce that our very own Chicago group members John Lough, Michael Bono DD 14, GK Dennis Fitzgerald of the police council and Jim Lutz General Agent all were awarded the State Medallion, We congratulate each of these hard working Br, Knights. Well deserved.

Treasurer's Report/Bills and Communications

Bob Bukowski read his report (attached) Motion made by Alex Tennant to accept as read 2nd by Dave Jenkins. Motion Passed.

Bills Submitted – None

Committee Reports:

Coats for Kids

Bob Bukowski brought up that the Chapter voted to purchase 4 boxes of coats and asks who will be getting the coats. DD 25 Frank Ruiz asked for 2 boxes and Joe Moore asked for 1 box. 1 case is still available. President Stan reminded that the councils need to order the coats and the chapter will reimburse them. Bob will need a voucher to write a check from the Kilker Fund.

State Free Throw

All councils are encouraged to hold competition by in person if a court is available to them or working with the schools during their PE classes. Also this year virtual participation is allowed. Participants can be videoed shooting and a score sheet signed by parent and councils should be forwarded to the District Deputies for district competitions. Reginal competitions are still up in the air due to lack of locations. Possible 1 location in each diocese will be held. The state has not got a location as of yet. Some councils asked if the date can be postponed. If they do not follow the supreme timeline the participant will not move to the International level. The State Competition must be completed by the end of April. John Lough mentioned Mark McMullin from Supreme saw the outline presented by the Illinois CoChairman and thought it was a great plan to limit gathering and follow Covid guidelines. As information becomes available it will be forwarded to the district deputies.

ID Drive

Continue to collect money and send it in throughout the year. Fill out a new form when money is sent in. Utilize other ways to raise money other than tootsie rolls and collection on the streets.

Christmas Poster Contest

Poster entries from Chicago should be in by this weekend to be voted on and winners forwarded to Tony Biliskov. All winners need to be submitted to Supreme by February 7, 2021. So far only Bellville winners have been submitted. If submissions have been made and they are finalist the originals need to be sent in to Tony.

March for Life

This year a March was not done instead a caravan was done. The Knights were present to help stage cars for the event. Paul Rutherford was going like gangbusters to find places to park. If the Knights were not there it would have been disaster.

NCD

None

Newsletter

Newsletter submissions are needed. Please send in articles or information of what is going on with the councils in our diocese.

Silver Rose

None.

Kilker Fund

No report at this time. Officers will be meeting February 25, 2021.

Marion Icon

None

Old Business

None

4th Degree

The February Exemplification will be held on February 2, 2021. This is planned to be a virtual degree. Work is being done to make the Exemplification more professional. Possible a prerecording can be made with adjustments being made to cut it down from an 8 hour degree to 2 hours. As of today we only have 30 candidates. We would like to see at least 80. If you have not taken out an ad in the ad book please get them as ASAP. This will be our 2nd virtual degree and should come across better for the candidates.

Trustee's Report

None.

New Business

None

State Officers/Directors/Coordinators/Chairman Report

State Program Director John Lough mentioned the video of the past DD meeting is available to view on the State website. Go to the home page and scroll down to find links to all presentations made at the meeting. All members are encouraged to look at these videos to see how the new forms that have come out need to be filled out. This information is important and all councils are should follow to keep working through this Covid outbreak.

State Family Director Mark Halper announced he will be running for State Warden for the next fraternal year. He asks for Chicago's support..

Round Table

None

Closing Ode

Waived

Good of the Order and Closing Prayer

Good of the order and closing prayer was led by Fr.Paul Gins

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 pm

The Next meeting will be a Zoom meeting for the officers February 25, 2021 @ 7:00 pm