

Assembly Meeting Held On: August 25, 2020 (Note: This was a Virtual Meeting)

Meeting Called to order:7:12 P.MPresiding Officer:Faithful Navigator Dennis MachugaNo. Members Present:11Officer Role Call:X = Present; A = AbsentXFaithful NavigatorX Faithful ComptrollerXFaithful CaptainA Faithful AdmiralXFaithful PurserX Faithful PilotAFaithful ScribeX Faithful Inner Sentinel

A-Faithful Trustee - 1 A-Faithful Trustee - 2

A-Faithful Trustee - 3

Opening Ceremonies: Not conducted

Opening Prayer: Hail Mary recited.

X Faithful Outer Sentinel

Salute to the Flag: The 'Pledge of Allegiance' recited.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were:

• Not read. A "motion to accept" was made and passed. Faithful Friar Report: None Bills read and referred: None

X Faithful Friar

Communications read: None

The Faithful Comptroller Report: (SK Jim Foreman): None

The Faithful Purser Report: (SK Jean Dion):

- Past Faithful Purser Sal Via reported a \$100 check payable to the 'Triad Assembly' is outstanding. Faithful Purser Jean agreed to follow up with the Triad Assembly.
- As of 8-25-2020 the Assembly bank account balance was \$5,206.31.

Committees Report: None

Upcoming Exemplifications – (SK Jean Dion)

• The new District Master will be announced in Sept. Until that time, our District Master is Jack Murray. There is not a Patriotic Degree Exemplification scheduled at this time.

Unfinished/Old Business: (FN Dennis)

- A <u>Civic Award</u> application was submitted by PFN Henry Affeldt. This Supreme Council award is a tribute to the spirit of patriotism and national pride exemplified by the Assembly's program of activities. Four projects related to Veterans support were submitted. Receiving support were: Veterans Helping Veterans Heal (VHVH) in W-S; the VA Medical Center (VAMC) in Salisbury, and, Veterans at the ABCCM Veterans' Restoration Quarters (VRQ) in Asheville. <u>Thanks to all who participated in support of these efforts, particularly SK Bob Yuzuik for his leadership.</u>
- <u>The Assembly Audit</u> was completed in July. Thank you to SK Sal Vita and SK Jim Foreman.

Trustee Reports: None New Business: FN



- <u>A big **"Thank You" to our PFN Henry Affeldt** for an outstanding job leading the Assembly throughout the 2019-20 fraternal year!</u>
- On Aug. 11th, District Marshall SK Jean Dion conducted the <u>Officer Installation</u> <u>Ceremony</u>.
- Faithful Scribe: Due to a recent change, the Faithful Scribe Officer position needs to be filled. Please contact the Faithful Navigator if you can support the Assembly in this important role.
- An <u>Officer's Planning Meeting</u> was held Aug. 25^{th.} A tentative budget and plan for the year were developed.
 - **The 2020-21 Assembly Activity Plan** was reviewed. It will be updated as the year progresses. A copy will be distributed to the membership.
 - SK Jean stated that black masks will be required for Color Guard members during the pandemic. A motion was made and passed to purchase a dozen black masks for Color Guard use.
 - **Flag retirement ceremony**: Barring unforeseen circumstances, we will plan on the event in June, near Flag Day. Arrangements to burn excess flags from the ceremony will be developed.
 - American flag sale for Veterans Day: SK Jean agreed to obtain pricing for U.S. manufactured flags. Selling will occur after masses the weekend of Oct. 24/25th...details forthcoming. Fr. Carter suggested picking two/three sizes and selling left over flags at other times.
- <u>2020-21 budget</u>: Faithful Purser Jean conducted the 1st review. It will be emailed to the membership as a 2nd reading. The third and final reading, followed by a membership vote will take place at the Sept. meeting.
 - If you have suggestions for fundraising activities this year, please mention them to an Assembly officer.
- Infrastructure Expenses: A Webex virtual meetings plan was purchased by the Council. Key advantages: no time limit for meetings, and, a new 'phone in' capability. The annual expense is \$175. Cost sharing with the Council was discussed. WGK Ed agreed to review with the Council Officers a proposal of a \$50 Assembly contribution towards this expense. It was noted that the Assembly contributed \$50 towards the Constant Contact expense last year. Also, the next website renewal expense will in July, 2021.

Report of the 3rd Degree: (WGK Ed Christian)

- As discussed, the Council purchased a new **Cisco Webex plan**. There is an opportunity to use it for other meetings (golf, officers, retention, etc.) even after the pandemic.
- All are encouraged to participate in the **Council Fantasy Football league**. In today's environment, this is an important fundraising activity. NO EXPERIENCE needed.
- Brother Stan Rigitz has agreed to Chair the Pancake breakfast program.
- <u>Brother Peter Pollen</u> is working with Brother <u>Carl Darkes</u> in coordinating this year's **Fruit Sales.**



- The **Council Membership position is available**. Please contact WGK Ed if you can help.
- The 1st reading of the 2020-21 budget has been completed.

Other Business:

- **Council shirts:** The FN will check with PFN Henry regarding any sources/pricing info. Brother Ray Eveland will also send contact for another potential source.
- Field Agent Report: Brother Ray Eveland suggested including the Scouts in the Flag retirement ceremony. Re: virtual meetings some Councils have seen an increase in membership participation with actual/virtual meetings. Also, the timing for a fraternal benefit will be in Q4, 2020 to incorporate anticipated updated offerings from Supreme.

Closing Ceremonies: Not Conducted.

Closing Prayer: Fr Carter led the Sir Knights in reciting the "Our Father".

Meeting Closed: 7:31 p.m.

Attest: FN Dennís Machuga

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