K of C Council 966

# Council Meeting minutes for August 1st, 2023

# Call to order @ 7:05 pm by Grand Knight Vince Frederick

# Roll Call

* Grand Knight – Vince Frederick -- p
* Deputy Grand Knight – Vacant
* Financial secretary – LeRoy Jero -- p
* Treasurer – Bob Cook -- p
* Recorder/Trustee – Steve Seberger -- a
* Trustee – Greg Jacobs -- a
* Lecturer – Deacon Roger Polt –p
* District Deputy – Eldon Schneider – p
* Chaplain – Fr. Kyle Tietz – a
* Advocate – George Baitinger -- a
* Other attendees: Fritz Polt, Tom Kirner, Brandon Kunkel

# GK report

**Playground Project:** (some editorial corrections made to the facts after the meeting)

* Some preliminary work was done the week prior, mostly by Knights, to receive the new material and do some preparatory work.
* On Monday of Catholic Heart Work Camp week, all the old material was removed and hauled away and some new rock was put down.
* On Tuesday, some additional rock was spread around and then all the new material was put in
* Only retired members were available (other than Vince) because the project was on a week day.
* The material ($5900) and major part of the shipping ($1000) was paid for directly by the school. We hope to cover their expenses completely as this project was a KC initiative that they didn’t ask for (but Father gave his approval when it was presented to him). We had to move quickly to take advantage of a 25% price reduction on the material which saved us ~$2000
* Numerous positive comments have been received about the project
* Steve S. paid ~$1200 out of pocket expenses for fuel, rock, and rental of equipment.
* Vince has set up project to pay for what is not covered by direct donations. Setup is in the narthex of the church. Includes boxes to collect money. Eldon could provide buckets to collect boxes. No support from school or church.
* (as of 8/6, only $4000 of the $8100 total cost had not been covered; some collection boxes have not yet come in and private donations directly to the school are being solicited)

**Sister Chris Reception:**

* Did not get a lot of support from KC members.
* 23 Spanish showed up to help.
* Vince is happy about the way the reception turned out.

**Good Samaritan fund (update from Fr. Alan submitted after meeting):**

* We will be sending funds to the House of Compassion to manage a portion of the Good Samaritan fund to relieve this from the Hispanic Ministry role (ie. medical and utility bills - vetting and assisting in payment). The House of Compassion already has a staff member who is bilingual, who knows community resources, has been doing this for a long time, and knows how to vet recipients or set up payment plans so that these aren't a problem for people the following month. One aspect of the Good Samaritan Fund was rent assistance - a significant portion of our GS funds were given for that. Currently the Salvation Army is the only other service organization that offers rent assistance and they are going through a change in leadership. So I asked the Social Justice committee to look into alternatives and possible solutions to address those needs.

**Tootsie Roll:**

* Vince would like to see extend drive to Sundays.
* Preliminary schedule set for September 7, 8,9, & 10.
* Will need store approval. Stores selected to participate in drive: Walmart (both doors), Theisen’s, Fareway (except Sunday), and Hy-Vee (both doors).

**District Deputy (pro-tem):**

Eldon would like to see members distribute prayer cards after each Mass for the next 2 weeks. Then conclude with membership drive. He has 8 packets of cards but could get more.

**Fall Dinner:**

Vince mentioned fall dinner as social gathering. Shelly would cater.

**New Member Packets:**

Fritz is currently making up packets with material for new and prospective members. Discussion followed on what should be in packets.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Balances:08/01/2023

Chk register      9,368.73

Sav register      2,455.23

Earmarks:

Monument fund          -51.80

Pennies for Heaven        -303.18

Helping Hands          -10.00

Payroll Tax Owed, 2023          -82.84

KofC Supreme Assessment, 2023       -642.92

KofC State Assessment, 2023    -1,681.25

PO Box Fee, 2023. PO Box1672        -156.00

Financial Secretary Wages, 2023       -500.00

4th Degree Account    -1,726.94

Net Funds Available      6,669.03

Bob Cook made a motion that we eliminate the small earmarks in the Monument Fund and Helping Hands fund. The money will revert to the general funds available.

The motion was seconded (2nd not identified). The motion carried.

# Meeting Adjourned at 8:30

# Next meeting, September 5th