



The Galleon



Windsor Park Council #5244
Knights of Columbus
Chartered February 26, 1962

Grand Knight's Message

Hello Brother Knights,

I hope and pray you are all doing well through the continued (and hopefully few remaining) days of the pandemic.

I know that I have been personally struggling with the weird isolation that we've been under and I am definitely missing our parish faith community and our ability to see one another regularly.

Right now our council needs to focus on our post-pandemic future - we need to find some brothers to join our council in key areas: Financial Secretary, Deputy Grand Knight and Treasurer (all important roles).

Please consider if you yourself are interested in helping us in one of these roles or if you know another man in our membership/parish that you feel would be a good fit - we can arrange to meet with them soon!

I will be attending this year's State Virtual Convention: May 15. Please advise if you would be interested in joining me at the convention as it is typical/customary to have 2 representatives from councils at these events.

We will continue being cautiously optimistic about what we may be able to still do to end this Columbian year and press on towards the next.

Your brother in faith and hope,

Joel Parent - Grand Knight
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Minutes from last two meetings

Meeting Date: April 19, 2021 - This is an online meeting, held via Google Meet.

In Attendance: Joël Parent, Scott Wilkinson, Marcel Rainville, Brian Fraser, Don Buccini, Doug Markewich, Klem Gelowitz, Mark Desjardins,

Grand Knights Report:

1. Going to convention May 15
2. Working to get all our paperwork in order for the state convention - forms and reports
3. Recruiting looking forward to finding people for 3 key roles: Deputy Grand Knight, Treasurer and Financial Secretary
4. Thanks to those executive members who've continued to participate on our virtual meetings throughout this Columbian year
5. Thanked all for ICCD sales - sold 30+ books, Draw happening on April 25

District Deputy Report:

1. Happy to join us, apologized for not joining us sooner in the year
2. Discussed how we should be working to reach out to our members more than once a year when we are collecting dues - even suggested maybe an annual meal/dinner where that would be a good excuse to catch with members if we are not touching base any other times
3. Spoke of how this pandemic taught us how to use virtual technology for meetings which can be used to include more members, possibly more shut-ins could even participate on meetings
4. Presented Joel with 2019-2020 Fr McGivney award for Membership
5. Mark Desjardins will not be staying in the role of district deputy next year but will be staying on in a role as trainer for the next district deputy

Treasurer's report:

General Account: 6733.36

Charities: 7,113.53

Vocations: 458.28

Other Updates:

1. Dues till coming in - maybe 10-12 to follow up on.
2. Don Bucini mentioned how he's tried to bring up retention with State and has not been happy with the lack of response/support.
3. Idea to hold a virtual meet and greet session for the new members recruited in the last 12 months to get them connected and possibly engage them to participate with next year's executive council.
4. Virtual Walk - L'Arche May 1 - for any who wish to participate:
<https://www.larchewinnipeg.org/community-life/walk-with-larche/>

Meeting Date: March 15, 2021 - This is an online meeting, held via Google Meet.

In Attendance: Joël Parent, Scott Wilkinson, Andre Guay, Marcel Rainville, Brian Fraser, Brian Steeves, Don Buccini, Markie Tabelina, Waqas Aan, Doug Markewich, Steve Tokar, Andre Wanlin

1. **Call to Order @ 7:32pm**
2. **Grand Knight's Report**
 - a. Coming up is the State Convention, May 14-16. If anyone wants to attend with GK, please let him know. Usually an interesting event to attend, and they typically do Service Program Awards, and some fundraising.
 - b. State has received our annual donations form, but don't have our Roster Form. GK will resubmit.
 - c. Br. Doug has been taking the lead in the distribution of ICCD tickets. We'll share his contact information so our members can get books of tickets.
 - d. If anyone wants to share the details for people to buy online, we can do so on Social Media. Please let everyone know to reference our council number in the form so we get credit for it.
 - e. Committee for fundraising in these crazy times. What do we have to spend, and where should we direct our money? Join the committee! Br. Brian F. will send us a list of all the charities we supported from the last few years.
3. **Treasurer's Report**
 - a. General Account: \$ 6,833.36
 - b. Charities Account: \$ 7,113.53
 - c. Vocations Account: \$ 458.28
 - d. Br. Brian Fraser listed the names of members who purchased tickets.
 - e. Br. Brian also received a letter from L'Arche for the annual Walk, on Saturday, May 1, 2021.
4. **Reading by Grand Knight of Receipts of Treasurer to Financial Secretary and Treasurer's Voucher of Deposit**
 - a. Br. Marcel noted that there is some reporting to do, but we've not done much this year. Is it worth reporting this? We will be polling the group to build a list of activities that our members have done. Could include things like faith activities, blood donations, parish or community activities, etc.
 - b. Membership fees are still coming in, there are still a few that are outstanding.
5. **New Business**
 - a. Br. Don suggested purchasing a Pro-Life flag from State, and if possible, get permission to hang it somewhere in or around the church. GK will speak with Fr. Phil to get permission.

Adjournment

Council Information

Council Chambers: St. Bernadette Parish,
Lower level 820 Cottonwood Road.

Meetings (typically) held on the 3rd Monday
of the month

Next Meeting: May 17, 2021
7:30-8:30 pm

Google Meet joining info

Video call link:

<https://meet.google.com/its-mczo-fxt>

Or dial: (CA) +1 647-737-9380

PIN: 686 661 906#

Website: www.5244.ca

Executive Members

Grand Knight	Joël Parent	204-292-5880
Deputy Grand Knight	vacant	
Past Grand Knight	vacant	
Chaplain	Father Phil	
Chancellor	Andre Guay	204-254-5597
Financial Secretary	Marcel Rainville	204-253-8757
Treasurer	vacant	
Recorder	Brian Steeves	204-298-1239
Advocate	Roger Dacquay	204-253-2522
Warden	A. Wayne Bencharski	204-256-7696
Lecturer	Klem Gelowitz	
Inside Guard	Harvey Suski	
Outside Guard	Gerald Sliva	204-256-6205
Trustee 1 yr	Don Buccini	204-254-3624
Trustee 2 yr	Cliff Chojko-Bolec	204-261-1587
Trustee 3 yr	Don Bodnarchuk	204-254-6142