

# NEW ORLEANS METROPOLITAN CHAPTER KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

## Minutes of Meeting held on August 18th 2010

Meeting was held and sponsored at Slidell Council 2732. 33 people were in attendance.

Meeting was opened with a prayer by Metro President, Jerry Tarantino at 7:55 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

### ROLL CALL:

President:	Jerry Tarantino	Present
Vice-President:	Donald Winchester	Present
Treasurer:	David Grego	Present
Secretary:	Robert Hall	Present
Warden:	Perry Torregano	Present

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### MINUTES:

Motion was made and seconded that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as published.  
Motion was accepted by a voice vote.

**PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:** A list of councils were discussed as being at risk of losing their Exempt Organization status. Please go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) if your council has been mentioned here tonight to determine what is needed to comply with the exempt regulations. The "do or die" date for compliance is October 15<sup>th</sup>. 32 councils have not turned in their form 185. Please see SK Paul Gagnet for the listing of those missing the forms.

### TREASURER'S REPORT:

On July 31st, the checking balance was \$614 and the investment account balance was \$ 4,408 totaling \$5,522. There was \$75 in membership dues received and meal expenses of \$72 resulting in a \$3 income. Please fill out your council assembly sheets and remit your \$25 council dues. There are no bills outstanding. Only 6 councils have remitted current year dues.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Next meeting will be held at Ludo Vicum Council on September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

Pro-Life Program was discussed by Paul Gagnet. It will count for 100 points and will be put on the State Deputy Award Program. Membership and Insurance Programs will be taken from the State Deputy oversight and replaced by the Pro-Life and Special Olympic Programs. For more information, please contact SK Paul Gagnet.

It was suggested that an area meeting be held with the chapter meeting on monthly basis. The Area and Chapter meeting will also have someone from the Supreme Council attending at the next meeting.

The District Deputy, Joe Landry, discussed that some councils are missing paperwork and not following the rules of Supreme Council. Please contact Joe if you have any questions.

Seminary by Bro Steve Hart – Please keep toiletries for the Seminarians. They are now back in class. Area C will meet and discuss with their Councils on the North Shore to cover St. Ben's Seminary. Keep Christ in Christmas Program will start 8-10-10. The prices for the billboards will remain at \$400. Information will be given to SK Paul Gagnet about updates and dates and deadlines for sponsorship. Occupano Raffle Tickets are now

available. Cost is \$5 per ticket and there will be 10 nice prizes. Please promote this program within your churches. Please see Bro Steve Hart or SK Paul Gagnet for more information.

Insurance – Jerry Tarantino suggested calling 1-800-345-5632 for long term insurance. Bruce Abney is our current agent. Every member in the KC's should have life insurance.

Anniversary Program for Paul Anderson – 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as Supreme Knight – If your council gets 10 new members in 3 months, each member of your council will receive a lapel pin. There is a 10-20-30 Program that will run thru December. Any new member will get to pick a prize. The NIP Program, the more new members that are recruited, the more prizes that you will have to choose.

Ceremonial Help is needed for the degree exemplifications. Please see SK Paul Gagnet for more information.

Please clean up and update your rosters.

Old Business – None

New Business – On August 26<sup>th</sup>, an “Over the Edge” Program will be held at Benson Towers. 250 Special Kids will be served and a DJ will be there.

### COUNCIL REPORTS

Area A – a horseshoe tournament was held in August. In November, a 9 ball tournament will be held and gumbo cookoff will be held in the future.

Council 8546 - St. Francis Assisi - Mental Disability luau for special kids was held the second week of June. A special time was enjoyed by all. There fall calendar includes red beans rice dinner to help the school and an October a chicken cook out will be held.

Council 3411 – De La Salle Council – We will host the Columbus Day celebration on either October 9<sup>th</sup> or October 10<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at Good Shepherd Parish. Mass will be at 4:00pm.

Council 9973 – On November 7<sup>th</sup>, a Veterans Day parade will be held and requesting members to dress out. A raffle of an Oak Harbor Sunset Boat Cruise will be held.

Council 9007 – St. Angela Merici – On August 29<sup>th</sup> a Spaghetti Dinner will be held.

Council 4508 – St. Christopher – Closed their Mardi Gras Bead drive benefiting St. Michael Special School.

Council 2732 – Slidell Council – Holding Area C Soccer Challenge on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

Council 12529 – St. Jane – On August 21<sup>st</sup>, a horseshoe tournament will be held in Folsom. On September 12<sup>th</sup>, a spaghetti dinner will be held and on September 19<sup>th</sup>, a quarterly communion is scheduled.

Council 6870 – Holding an ice cream social on August 29<sup>th</sup>.

Council 1635 – On September 17<sup>th</sup> at Oak Harbor at 12:00pm, a golf tournament will be held. Operation Shoebox honoring war heroes will benefit.

Council 4663 – Ludo Vicum – A spaghetti dinner will be held on August 29<sup>th</sup>. A social will be held on August 25<sup>th</sup>. Buddy Stahl will be the guest speaker. On September 12<sup>th</sup>, a quarterly mass will be held with breakfast to follow. On November 5<sup>th</sup>, they will hold a Marion Hour. On October 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, a MDF can shake will be held at Dorignac's on Veterans Blvd. On October 22<sup>nd</sup> – October 24<sup>th</sup> will be the Bucktown Festival.

Council 3411 – De La Salle Council – no report.

Council 2878 – Fr. Seelos Council – A blood drive will be held in November at St. Edwards. On September 25<sup>th</sup>, a bus to the casino will be available. Please contact Dennis Cass if interested. In October, an annual Cochon de Le will be held. On August 31<sup>st</sup>, a practice on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree exemplification will be held.

Council 2093 – One of their members was appointed the Master of LA. Installation will be held on September 18<sup>th</sup> in Baton Rouge. Anyone from 4<sup>th</sup> is encouraged to dress out. Some churches have requested no swords, but can be kept at your side.

Council 1437 – Marquette Council – There are many exemplifications are being held. Please see Paul Gagnet for details. On August 20<sup>th</sup>, Night at Zepher's field will be held. Over 100 people will be attending.

Good of the order

Please remember all our Brother Knights and Ladies Auxiliary who are deceased and sick in your prayers.

Final Prayer was led by President Jerry Tarentino and said by all.

Meeting was adjourned by the President at 9:00 pm.