

DC KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARITIES
ANNUAL MEETING

Minutes of Meeting of April 29, 2023

The Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the members of DC Knights of Columbus Charities (the "Corporation") was held April 29, 2023, at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine, in conjunction with the State Convention of the District of Columbia Knights of Columbus, the President in the chair and the Secretary being present.

The meeting was called to order by the President, who requested that Rev. Frank Donio lead the opening prayer. Accordingly, Fr. Donio led the Meeting in the Hail Mary.

The President appointed State Advocate Joshua Bryant as Parliamentarian for the Annual Meeting, to enforce the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Corporation and to rule on any procedural matters that might arise during the proceedings.

The President noted that materials for this Annual Meeting had been distributed in the packets provided to delegates to the State Convention and that those materials included the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting, the Report of the President, the Report of the Treasurer, a list of Proposed Nominations for the Board of Directors, and a draft Resolution to Maintain and Open Bank Accounts.

The President called upon Director Le Nguyen to report on the regularity of credentials. Director Pierno reported that there was a total of 26 councils in the jurisdiction of the District of Columbia eligible to be represented by a Grand Knight or alternate and by an Immediate Past Grand Knight or alternate, of which 3 councils were currently suspended by either the Supreme Council or State Council, so that 23 councils in the jurisdiction were entitled to full representation at the Annual Meeting, for a total of 46 delegates entitled to be seated. He reported further that 7 State Officers (including the State Chaplain, five elected officers, and the Immediate Past State Deputy) were entitled to be seated at the Annual Meeting. He reported that there was therefore a total of 53 voting members entitled to seats at the Annual Meeting: 7 State Officers, 22 Grand Knights or alternates, and 22 Immediate Past Grand Knights.

Director Nguyen moved acceptance of the Report on Regularity of Credentials. The motion passed by voice vote, and the Report on Regularity of Credentials was accepted.

The President appointed a Committee on Credentials, consisting of Directors Le Nguyen and Christopher Pierno. Director Nguyen, as Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, presented the Report of the Committee on Credentials, stating that, of the 53 members entitled to seats at the Annual Meeting, 32 were present: 7 State Officers; 14 Grand Knights or alternates; and 11 Past Grand Knights or alternates.

Director Nguyen moved acceptance of the Report of the Committee on Credentials. The motion passed by voice vote, and the Report of the Committee on Credentials was accepted.

The Secretary requested that the Annual Meeting dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Annual Meeting of April 30, 2022, which had been distributed to the members of the Corporation with the written materials they had been provided, that it accept the minutes as distributed, and that the minutes be included in the record of this proceeding as printed and

distributed. James Tolliver so moved, the motion passed by voice vote, and the minutes were accepted as printed and distributed.

The President handed over the gavel to Director Peter Gervais. With Director Gervais presiding, the President presented his Report to the Annual Meeting (copy attached). Upon conclusion of the President's presentation, James "Eddie" Oxford moved that the Report of the President be accepted and included in the minutes of the meeting. The motion passed by voice vote, and the Report of the President was accepted and ordered to be included in the minutes of the Meeting.

The President resumed the chair, and Treasurer presented his Report to the Annual Meeting, calling the attention of the members of the Corporation to the written report and the annual financial statements which had been distributed in their written materials (copy attached). Upon conclusion of the Treasurer's presentation, the Treasurer moved that his Report be accepted and included in the minutes of the meeting. The motion passed by voice vote, and the Report of the Treasurer was accepted and ordered to be included in the minutes of the Meeting.

The Meeting proceeding to elections to fill the positions on the Board of Directors of members whose terms were expiring at the end of the Annual Meeting. Director Pierno nominated Thomas Jones, Anthony Diallo, and Everistus C. Nwaogu to the Board of Directors, each for a three-year term. There being no further nominations, Director Pierno moved that nominations cease and that the Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot in favor of Thomas Jones, Anthony Diallo, and Everistus C. Nwaogu, each for a three-year term on the Board of Directors. The motion passed by voice vote. The Secretary then cast a unanimous ballot in favor of Thomas Jones, Anthony Diallo, and Everistus C. Nwaogu, who were thus elected to three-year terms on the Board of Directors, expiring at the Annual Meeting of 2026.

The President, on behalf of the Directors elected, thanked the Annual Meeting for the honor bestowed on them, declared their appreciation of the level of trust that had been shown them, and declared their commitment to carry out the charitable purposes of DC Knights of Columbus Charities.

The Treasurer moved adoption of the following resolution for the purpose of opening and maintaining bank accounts or other investment accounts:

RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE OR OPEN BANK ACCOUNTS
OR OTHER INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

RESOLVED, that in order to maintain the existing DC Knights of Columbus Charities bank accounts, to open any new bank accounts, to open investment accounts, or to change the authorized signatures on any of those accounts in accordance with the By-laws and Articles of Incorporation, the members of the corporation agree to and adopt such standard resolutions as are required by the banks at which the accounts are maintained or such other bank or investment institution at which the Board of Directors may decide to open an account in accordance with the By-laws of the Corporation.

The motion passed by voice vote, and the resolution was adopted.

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At the request of the President, Director Bryant reported to the Annual Meeting on the Golf Tournament, sponsored by the Corporation, to be held Monday, October 2, 2023 to raise money to fund the DC Knights of Columbus Charities Scholarships. He noted that members of the Corporation should have received a flyer with information on the Tournament in their State Convention materials, including a QX code that could be used to register and information on prices. He thanked members of the Corporation for their past support and urged them to sign up for the Tournament to be held October 2. He noted that participants did not need to be good at golf to sign up, and that the more people signed up, the more money would be available to award as Scholarships.

The President thanked all the members of the Corporation, as well as its Officers and Directors, for their contributions throughout the year in the ongoing operation of DC Knights of Columbus Charities and this Annual Meeting, and he noted that tremendous progress had been made over the last year in moving our charitable efforts forward.

At the request of the President, the State Chaplain led the Meeting in the closing prayer.

The President announced that the Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Corporation would be held at the time and location of the District of Columbia Knights of Columbus State Convention in the spring of 2024.

There being no further business, the Annual Meeting was adjourned sine die.

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Guinivan
Secretary

Approved by the Corporation at its Annual Meeting, April 27, 2024:

Attest: _____
President