

DC KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARITIES
ANNUAL MEETING

Minutes of Meeting of May 17, 2025

The Nineteenth Annual Meeting of the members of DC Knights of Columbus Charities (the “Corporation”) was held May 17, 2025, at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine, in conjunction with the State Convention of the District of Columbia Knights of Columbus, the Vice President presiding in place of the President, and the Secretary being present.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice President, at whose request Rev. Frank Donio, State Chaplain of the District of Columbia Knights of Columbus and *ex officio* Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, offered the invocation.

The Vice President appointed Past State Deputy Timothy Saccoccia 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 Vice 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, a draft Resolution to Maintain and Open Bank Accounts, flyer for the Columbus Classic Golf Tournament, to be held October 6, 2025, and a flyer for the DC Knights of Columbus Scholarships.

The Vice President called upon Director Nicholas Shields to report on the regularity of credentials. Director Shields reported that there was a total of 25 Knights of Columbus councils in the jurisdiction of the District of Columbia, each eligible to be represented by a Grand Knight or alternate and by an Immediate Past Grand Knight or alternate, of which 6 councils were currently suspended by either the Supreme Council or State Council, so that 19 councils in the jurisdiction were entitled to full representation at the Annual Meeting, for a total of 38 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 45 voting members entitled to seats at the Annual Meeting: 7 State Officers, 19 Grand Knights or alternates, and 19 Immediate Past Grand Knights.

Director Shields 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 Vice President appointed a Committee on Credentials, consisting of Directors Nicholas Shields and Christopher Pierno. Director Shields, as Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, presented the Report of the Committee on Credentials, stating that, of the 45

members entitled to seats at the Annual Meeting, 23 were present: 6 State Officers; 8 Grand Knights or alternates; and 9 Past Grand Knights or alternates.

Director Shields 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 27, 2024, 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 "Eddie" Oxford so moved, the motion passed by voice vote, and the minutes were accepted as printed and distributed.

In the absence of President Harris, the Vice President read the Report of the President to the Annual Meeting (copy attached). Upon conclusion of the Vice President's presentation of the Report of the President, Peter Gervais 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 Treasurer presented his Report to the Annual Meeting. Upon conclusion of the Treasurer's presentation, James "Eddie" Oxford moved that the 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 Vice President handed over the gavel to Peter Gervais, director and former President of the Corporation, and the Meeting proceeded 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 James Guinivan, George Hanna, and Milton Harris to the Board of Directors, each for a three-year term. There being no further nominations, Director Pierno moved that nominations cease and that a unanimous ballot be cast in favor of James Guinivan, George Hanna, and Milton Harris, each for a three-year term on the Board of Directors. The motion passed by voice vote. Christopher Pierno then cast a unanimous ballot in favor of James Guinivan, George Hanna, and Milton Harris, who were thus elected to three-year terms on the Board of Directors, expiring at the Annual Meeting of 2028. Director Gervais then returned the gavel to the Vice President

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

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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.

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 6, 2025 to raise money to fund the DC Knights of Columbus Charities Scholarships. He noted that all present should have received a flyer on the Tournament in their Convention packets, and that the flyer contained all the information needed to sign up as a golfer or sponsor. He urged everyone present to consider becoming a sponsor. He said that the Tournament had grown every year since it was re-started six or seven years previously, and that last year it had provided \$5,000 to be awarded in scholarships and grants. He said that this was a real testimony to the support that the members of the Corporation had given the Tournament. He urged the members to sign up themselves and to take back the materials on the Tournament to their Councils. Finally, he urged them to sign up early, noting that discounted Early Bird pricing would end August 31.

The Vice President thanked all the members of the Corporation, especially 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 Vice President, the State Chaplain led the Meeting in the closing prayer.

The President announced that the Twentieth 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 2026.

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 25, 2026:

Attest: _____
President