

# 2024 Alabama K of C Organizational Meeting Minutes

St. Joseph Catholic Church 511 N. Memorial Dr. Prattville, AL 7/20/2024

# 1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 11:30 by Bill Mores, State Deputy

2. Opening Prayer

Led by Deacon Greg Leiker

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mike Weist, AL District Master

4. Holy Hour

6.

Led by Deacon Greg Leiker based on worship aid distributed to attendees of the meeting, including prayer and silent reflection with the Holy Sacrament.

5. IPSD and new DD's Recognized

PSD pin presented to IPSD Danny Garcia by SD Bill Mores

- New DD's installed Supreme Knight Address
  - Video address from Patrick Kelly, Supreme Knight
- 7. Supreme Representative

Dave Tebo, TGD addressed the State Council, thanks for an excellent past year and expressed confidence in a successful year to come. Handed out D-rings to all present and invited everyone to come forward and present to SD Bill Mores. A chain was formed from the rings in a show of solidarity and support for the coming year.

8. State Deputy Remarks

SD Bill Mores addressed the attendees. Be united, be leaders with foresight and fishers of men. Thank you for your support and have a great year.

# 9. General Agent's Report

George Allers, Field Agent, addressed the attendees. Gave his personal history coming to work for Stice agency, suggested using Fr McGivney's story to help with recruiting and promoting insurance. Let agents know who the new members are. Update to rules allows widows to buy insurance for life IF the member is an insurance member.

10. ASK AL KC Report

Attendees addressed by Margaret Lagasse, ASK AL KC President. Introduced new officers, thanked the council for its support. Encouraged all councils to establish an auxiliary if they don't have one.

11. State Convention Rpt.

Convention update presented by SD Bill Mores. State Convention will be April 4-6 at Wind Creek Casino in Atmore. PSD, FDM Steve Koach is the convention chairman.

# LADIES EXCUSED – STATE LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING

12. Credentials Report

SW Andre Patterson, reported all present in possession of current membership card

13. Roll Call

SS Pat Jackson took roll; All state officers present, except State Chaplain Fr Huguley, who was excused; 15 DD's present, 4 absent; 36 councils present, 37 absent.

14. Minutes & Comm.

SS Pat Jackson reported no communications. Past minutes were posted to the State website. Minutes were approved as posted.

15. Treasurer's Report

SS Pat Jackson presented the final financial report for the fraternal year.



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## 16. Fin. & Budget Com. Report.

PSD, FDM, Chair Steve Koach reported that the Finance and Budget committee had met and reviewed the final report and found it to be in order and recommended approval. Final report was approved.

17. State Advocate Report

SA John Bares spoke on the importance of Safe Environment training and making sure that all councils are compliant, stressed this is important for the safety of our children as well as a requirement for Star Council.

18. Membership Report

PSD, MD Joe Flaherty congratulated everyone on making Pinnacle last fraternal year. Stressed the importance of getting off to a fast start. Reviewed slides with best practices, church drives. Reviewed incentives for the new year. Set a goal for 23 Star councils.

### 19. On-line Membership Report

PSD, FDM, VSM Pete Parrish reviewed the last fraternal year. 31 Councils made 100% of membership goal but only 23 made Star. Various items not completed, such as not completing Fraternal Benefit events or failing to complete all reports. Reviewed how the online membership process works.

### 20. Program Director's Report and

DM, MD Mike Weist; Service Before Self. Introduced state directors. Reviewed the functions and duties of the different Directors. Reviewed the Faith in Action program and covered COR. Details in slides. Reviewed the

### *21.* 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Report

DM, MD Mike Weist; Reviewed the numbers for the 4<sup>th</sup> degree from last year. Covered VANS, details in slides. Announced Joe Flaherty, PSD would be taking over as DM at the end of his term.

- 22. Unfinished Business
  - No Unfinished Business

# 23. New Business

- No New Business
- 24. Supreme Representative

TGD Dave Tebo thanked everyone for being there and again expressed confidence in a successful year to come.

- 25. PSD Remarks
  - a) Steve Koach
  - b) R. Evan "Pete" Parrish
- 26. State Officer Remarks
  - a) Gerald Buford, Executive Assistant
  - b) Danny Garcia, IPSD
  - c) Andre Patterson, State Warden
  - d) John Bares, State Advocate

- c) Joseph Flaherty III
- d) Danny Garcia
- e) Brian Lagasse, State Treasurer
- f) Pat Jackson, State Secretary
- g) Bill Mores, State Deputy

PSD's and State Officers all thanked the host council for their hospitality, thanked the members for their attendance and wished everyone safe travels on their way home.

- 27. Closing Prayer
  - Led by SS Pat Jackson
- 28. Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned by SD Bill Mores