

Fraternal Order of Police Crescent City Lodge #2

Meeting – Tuesday, April 11, 2017
7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Call to Order by President Walter Powers – 7:05 p.m.

Opening Prayer by Chaplain Peter Menkiewicz

Roll Call of Officers

12 Present
2 Absent (Lampard, Lentz)

Reading of Previous Meetings Minutes

Motion to dispense with the reading of the previous minutes and approve them as published by Gus Krinke.
Motion seconded by Steve Valenti.
Motion carried.

New Members

The following individuals have applied for membership in the Crescent City Lodge #2:

Kevin Thompson	4 th District
Deserie Broussard	Academy
Arthur Ravenell	Academy
Daryl Odom	Reinstatement

Motion to accept new members by Ira Austin.
Motion seconded by Lunas Penn.
Motion carried.

Correspondence

The lodge sent the letters to the named beneficiaries of deceased members along with their death benefit proceeds:

Patricia Mack, wife of Danny Mack, \$2,000
Thomas Wellborn, son of Jeffrey Wellborn, \$2,000

Virginia Dingeman, wife of Edward Dingeman, Jr., \$2,000
JoAnn Luckow, wife of Henry Luckow, \$2,000

The lodge sent letters to Denise Lewis-Crawford, survivor of NOPD Officer Jude Lewis, and Linda Hunter, survivor of NOPD Officer Natasha Hunter, along with a \$2000.00 check for each of them to cover the travel expenses for the family members to attend the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Service in Washington, DC in May.

The lodge received a thank you card from Brother Harold Hand for the flowers provided for the funeral service of his wife, Joan.

The lodge received a thank you card from Mrs. Madeline Morris, who recently received her "FOP 100 Club" jacket.

Officer/Committee Reports

President's Report – Walter Powers

Brother Powers reported on the recent Civil Service hearings related to the Unclassified status of Police Commanders.

First Vice President's Report – Christopher Landry

Brother Landry advised that Team FOPNO raised about \$3000 for St. Baldrick's Foundation and for the first time in several years lost to Team RED (Fire Dept), who raised about \$4600.

Financial Report – Secretary- Treasurer James Gallagher

Report Recap:

Regions Checking Account	\$85,270.19
LAFOP Foundation Account	\$2,962.01
Total Cash Assets	\$88,232.20

Fund Balances as of March 31, 2017:

General Fund	\$70,613.11
Legal Fund	\$(303,374.59)
Delegate Fund	\$62,858.89
Death Benefit Fund	\$50,000.00
Building Fund	\$208,501.79
Total Fund Balances	\$88,232.20

Full financial report is attached to this document.

Motion to accept financial report by Gus Krinke.
Motion seconded by John Meehan.

Motion carried.

Brother Gallagher advised the membership of the upcoming National Conference in Nashville, TN to be held on August 27-31. The lodge will provide each delegate with \$500 travel allowance/per diem. The lodge will cover all hotel accommodations and reservations. Members should not plan return flights prior to 2:00 pm in order to have sufficient time to vote. The lodge has reserved 35 rooms at the Opryland Hotel.

Brother Gallagher also advised that himself, John Schluter, and other representatives from the Kitchen Krewe have visited the Deutsches Haus in Metairie on Ridgewood Drive (off of Airline Highway). The benefits of hosting our monthly meetings are: ample parking, adequate kitchen facility, and easily seat 300 in meeting room. The Deutsches Haus will not allow us to bring in any beverages. They will provide us with a keg of beer and soft drinks. They will also provide a cash bar and bartender. The cost would be about \$170 more than we are paying now.

Motion by Henry Davies to hold the July meeting at the Deutsches Haus on a trial basis.

Motion seconded by Greg Migard.

Motion carried.

Legislative Committee – James Gallagher

Brother Gallagher reported that the State FOP lobbyist, Joe Mapes, has compiled a tracking spreadsheet containing bills of interest to the FOP. There are several legislative instruments filed (mostly by Baton Rouge area legislators) that would affect police officers.

The FOP Legislative rally day will be May 9th at the State Capitol.

Legal Report – Claude Schlesinger

Brother Schlesinger gave an update on the Millage suit – the suit is moving after many years of inactivity. Our attorneys are anticipate a meeting with the City Attorney early next week.

Brother Schlesinger also advised that the appeal of the district court ruling over the Great Place to Work Initiative has been filed with the Fourth Circuit.

Legal Report – Donovan Livaccari

Brother Livaccari updated the membership on the proceedings at the Civil Service Commission meeting regarding the approval of the Unclassified Police Commander position.

Retirement Committee – Larry Reech

Brother Reech advised that the Pension Board is looking to reduce the actuarial goals over the next three years to a more realistic number, this would increase the chances of awarding a COLA.

Brother Reech also advised that he is seeking re-election to the MPERS Board.

Motion for our lodge to provide \$500 to Brother Reech for his re-election mailer, in the event that the state lodge cannot provide the funds by Gus Krinke.

Motion seconded by Chris Landry.

Motion carried.

New Business

None.

Old Business

None.

Good of the Order

50/50 Raffle

Winner (#9698292) Pat Fricke -- \$118.00

Lodge share -- \$119.00

Annual Membership Information Update Drawing -- #83481; Timothy Mire -- \$500

Attendance

110 members present

Membership roster is attached to this document.

Closing Prayer by Chaplain Peter Menkiewicz

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Ross Bourgeois.

Motion seconded by Henry Davies.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Ross J. Bourgeois
Recording Secretary
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