

# **Fraternal Order of Police Crescent City Lodge #2**

Meeting – Thursday, February 10, 2022  
7:00 p.m.

## ***Minutes***

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

**Opening Prayer** by Chaplain Pete Menkiewicz

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call of Officers** by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Chris Landry

11 Present

4 Absent (Bourgeois, Lentz, Sarver, Byrd)

### **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Motion to suspend the reading of the minutes by Henry Dean.

Motion seconded by Willie Jenkins.

Motion carried.

### **New Member Applications**

No new applications to report.

**Attendance** – Inner Guard Lucien Sunseri

81 members present.

Membership roster is attached to this document.

### **Reports of Officers**

President's Report – Walter Powers

Brother Powers provided information related to his attendance at the Louisiana FOP board meeting on Saturday, January 29, 2022. Brother Jenkins was appointed as the new LAFOP State Lodge Conductor at this meeting.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President's Report – Chris Landry

Brother Landry deferred giving a report since he was assisting by the taking of the meeting minutes.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President's Report – Willie Jenkins

- Membership Report

1918	Active FOP Members
20	Associate FOP Members
19	Honorary FOP Members
1957	Total Lodge Membership

### Membership by Type:

942	Active NOPD Officers
64	NOPD Reserve Officers
11	Terminated Officers
104	Other Active Law Enforcement Officers
5	Other Associate Members
812	Retired Law Enforcement Officers
19	Honorary Members

- Brother Jenkins complimented the National FOP app that can be downloaded on mobile devices.
- Brother Jenkins thanked all lodge members for their support of his appointment as the Conductor of the Louisiana State Lodge.

## ***Financial Report*** – Secretary-Treasurer James Gallagher

### Report Recap:

Regions Checking Account	\$329,487.58
LAFOP Foundation Account	\$54,913.47
LAFOP Foundation Account (Millage Suit)	\$452,283.56
Ericksen, Krentel Account (Millage Suit)	\$13,958.36

Total Liquid Cash Assets	\$384,401.05
Total Cash Assets with Millage Suit Funds	\$850,642.97

### Fund Balances as of 01/31/2022:

General Fund	\$78,185.86
Legal Fund	\$(48,170.42)
Delegate Fund	\$92,522.70
Death Benefit Fund	\$53,361.12
Building Fund	\$208,501.79
Normal Fund Balances	\$384,401.05
Millage Suit Fund	\$452,283.56

CPA Millage Suit Fund \$13,958.36  
Total Fund Balances \$850,642.97

Full financial report is attached to this document.

Motion to approve the Financial Report by Gus Krinke.  
Motion seconded by Robert O'Brien.  
Motion carried.

Legislative Committee – Jim Gallagher

Brother Gallagher discussed the types of legislation that the Legislative Committee would be watching for bills that would be of concern.

Millage Payment Committee – Jim Gallagher

Brother Gallagher gave an update on the payments of millage to members of the class in the lawsuit that covered the years 1980 – 1994.

State Trustee – Billy Roth

Brother Roth submitted a written report of his activity since the last meeting. He mailed out 5 license plate renewal letters to lodge members and another letter to a member of Baton Rouge Lodge #1, and attended the State Board meeting.

## **Committee Reports**

Scholarship Committee – Louis Shaw

Drawings were conducted to award a total of \$4,500.00 in educational assistance benefits.

- **P.F.I.A. Scholarships:** NOPD Sgt. Omar Garcia; and Tyler Fricke, grandson of retired member Pat Fricke.
- **J. Fant Taylor Memorial Scholarships:** Kelly Zeringue, grandson of retired member Danny Lawless; and Emily Cambre, granddaughter of Felix Loicano.
- **F.O.P. High School / Grade School Scholarships:** Sidney Cross III and Ely Jordan Bullock, grandchildren of Leonard Bullock and Sidney Cross, respectively.
- **P.M.B.A. Scholarship:** The PMBA sponsored scholarship was awarded to Michael Lopez, grandson of Jake Schnapp.
- **Raymond Gonzales Memorial Scholarship:** The Raymond Gonzales Memorial Scholarship was a new benefit sponsored by Raymond Gonzales, Jr. and his brother Michael Gonzales in honor of their late father, a long-time member of the FOP Crescent City Lodge. It was awarded to Alex Loicano, grandson of Felix Loicano.

- **Arnesta Taylor Memorial Scholarship:** This was another new educational benefit sponsored by the wife and daughter (Noreen and Dawn, respectively) of the late Arnesta Taylor, NOPD Superintendent from 1991 – 1993. It was awarded to Evan Weber, grandson of John Weber.

#### Labor Committee

Brother Gallagher brought forth the idea that the Labor Committee should be reformed and members should be sought to participate in the committee.

#### Retirement Committee – Larry Reech

Brother Reech discussed the current financial environment relative to the chances that the MPERS Board might consider discussing a COLA. Members of MPERS should make an effort to attend MPERS Board Meetings on the third Wednesday of the month in Baton Rouge.

Brother Reech also discussed that an election would be forthcoming and that he had not yet decided if he would attempt to be reelected.

Motion by Jim Gallagher to fund up to \$1500 to support the election of a candidate to the MPERS Pension Board who would be favorable to the Lodge.

Motion seconded by Robert O'Brien.

Motion carried.

#### **New Business**

None

#### **Old Business**

A question by Brother Peter Perrien relative to WEP/ GPO was answered by Jim Gallagher.

#### **Good of the Order**

Hilton Stein Memorial 50/50 Raffle

Winner # 2387121 by David Tregre: \$160

Lodge Share: \$160

Brother Tregre donated \$40 to the Family Fund

Additional drawing for a VISA gift card was won by Joe Valiente, and was claimed by Gary Dewey on Brother Valiente's behalf.

#### **Closing Prayer** by Chaplain Pete Menkiewicz

## **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Henry Dean.

Motion seconded by Peter Perrien.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Chris Landry

Acting Recording Secretary

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