

Fraternal Order of Police Crescent City Lodge #2

Meeting – Tuesday, May 10, 2017
7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Call to Order by President Walter Powers – 7:03 p.m.

Opening Prayer by Chaplain Peter Menkiewicz

Roll Call of Officers

13 Present
1 Absent (Landry)

Reading of Previous Meetings Minutes

Motion to dispense with the reading of the previous minutes and approve them as published by Peter Menkiewicz.

Motion seconded by Susan Graham.

Motion carried.

New Members

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

Calvin Brazley	SOD
Roderic Carey	Academy Staff
Todd Henry	Academy Staff
Jonathan Mykulak	Academy
Lucas Yokum	Academy
Cody Parker	Academy
Katherine Barker	Academy
Duncan Chauffe	Academy
Deserie Broussard	Academy
Arthur Ravenell	Academy
Kevin Begley	Academy
Claudell Logan	Retired NOPD (SUNO Police)
Cayonna Brumfield	SUNO Police
Stanley Cospers	SUNO Police
John Landry	SUNO Police

Ethel Stephens
Albert Ernest

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Motion to accept new members by John Meehan.
Motion seconded by Willie Patin.
Motion carried.

Correspondence

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

Jasmine Hunter, daughter of Natasha Hunter, \$4,000 (proceeds to be placed into a trust for beneficiary since she is a minor child)

Officer/Committee Reports

President's Report – Walter Powers

Brother Powers reported on his recent activities since the last meeting, including providing presenting the first ever dual shooting awards for recruit class 178 and presenting a check for \$100 to NORDC to sponsor the Lady Cougar's softball team.

Second Vice President's Report – Robert Lampard, Jr.

Membership Report:

1988	Active FOP Members
19	Associate FOP Members
12	Honorary FOP Members
2031	Total Lodge Membership

Membership by Type:

1009	Active NOPD Officers
43	NOPD Reserve Officers
12	Terminated Officers
89	Other Active Law Enforcement Officers
4	Other Associate Members
863	Retired Law Enforcement Officers
11	Honorary Members (not counted elsewhere)

Financial Report – Secretary- Treasurer James Gallagher

Report Recap:

Regions Checking Account	\$94,424.43
LAFOP Foundation Account	\$(3,868.51)
Total Cash Assets	\$98,292.94

Fund Balances as of April 30, 2017:

General Fund	\$62,957.41
Legal Fund	\$(292,152.91)
Delegate Fund	\$66,200.33
Death Benefit Fund	\$52,786.32
Building Fund	\$208,501.79
Total Fund Balances	\$98,292.94

Full financial report is attached to this document.

Motion to accept financial report by Henry Davies.

Motion seconded by Gary Gremillion.

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.

Retirement Committee – Larry Reech

Brother Reech advised that the employer contribution rate has been set for 2017 to 30.75% and the board voted to lower the target investment ration from 7.5% to 7.33% and to be further reduced over three years to 7.125%. Any excess interest above 7.33% can be used to fund a cost of living raise (COLA). A new executive director has been selected, Mr. Ben Huxen. Mr. Huxen will also serve as the general counsel.

Brother Reech urged all members to attend the pension board meetings, when possible.

State Trustee – Billy Roth

Brother Roth advised that he sent out 10 letters for FOP plate renewals since the last meeting and encouraged all members to check the expiration on their plates.

Legislative Committee – James Gallagher

Brother Gallagher advised that the state lodge's call for sending e-mail messages to the member's respective legislators got over 400 responses for the Probation and Parole bill (HB302). Watch your email for any legislation that the state lodge

is supporting or opposing so that you can send a pre-written email to your legislators. HB 302, which give a raise to Probation and Parole Agents passed the house this evening and will be headed to Senate.

Brother Gallagher also reported that the bill regarding administrative investigations into police officers has been watered down considerably. The final language of the bill reduced the amount of time for an officer to hire an attorney from 30 to 14 days, but only under certain circumstances. The same bill has provisions relative to revoking the POST certification when an officer is terminated from a law enforcement agency and convicted of a felony, domestic violence crime, or excessive use of force that results in serious injury or death. The POST Council can hold a hearing once all appeals are final and vote to revoke an officer's certification

New Business

Brothers John Osburg and Ronnie Brink submitted a written nomination of James R. Danner, Jr. for Honorary Membership in our lodge.

Motion by Pete Menkiewicz for the lodge to donate \$500 to the re-election campaign of Brother Pat Yoes for National Secretary.

Motion seconded by Ross Bourgeois

Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

Brother Gallagher went over the list of delegates to the National Conference. There will be a delegate's meeting in June at the normal meeting location. Active NOPD officers who are delegates will receive their packets to be detailed to the conference.

Good of the Order

Brother Pete Menkiewicz held a memorial tribute to the Louisiana officers who died in the line of duty in 2016.

Brother Les Bonano advised that he is promoting a boxing match at the Mel Ott Recreation Center in Gretna on Saturday, May 13th. Discounted tickets are available.

50/50 Raffle

Winner (#9698660) Dick Beebe -- \$95.00

Lodge share -- \$95.00

Attendance

90 members present
Membership roster is attached to this document.

Closing Prayer by Chaplain Peter Menkiewicz

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Pete Menkiewicz.
Motion seconded by James Gallagher.
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Ross J. Bourgeois
Recording Secretary
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