



Bylaws of Knights of Columbus Marian Council - Number 3827

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ARTICLE I: NAME

The official name of this Council is KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MARIAN COUNCIL – NUMBER 3827.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

The purposes of this Council are:

Section 1. To act as a fraternal benefit society providing for the payment of life, sickness, accident, or other benefits to members, as defined in Minn. Stat., Section 64B.01, and to provide that no part of the net income inures to the benefit of any member or individual, and to act as a tax free charitable organization as defined in the Internal Revenue Code, Section 501(c)(8) and Minn. Stat., Section 290.05, subd. 1.

Section 2. To hold regular meetings in a ritualistic manner in accordance with the Rules, Regulations, and Bylaws (the Laws) of the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus (the Order) and the Bylaws of this Council (the Council).

Section 3. To promote the highest ideals of Christian charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism.

Section 4. To raise funds from all possible sources, including the conduct of lawful gambling for charitable purposes.

Section 5. To promote fraternal fellowship, charitable purposes, educational activity, civic betterment, athletic pursuits, social endeavors, and patriotic activity.

Section 6. To render aid and assistance to the sick, disabled, handicapped, and needy, especially among members and their families.

Section 7. To support and cooperate with local, state, and national organizations to promote charitable, fraternal, religious, patriotic, and civic activities.

Section 8. To encourage and support civic activity, in cooperation with the local, state, and national community, to promote and foster the American way of life.

Section 9. To foster and encourage ethics and morality on a personal, local, state, and national level in government, business, education, social services, science, medicine, law, and communications.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. A member is defined as a practicing Catholic, initiated into the Order, in good standing, whose current dues are paid.

A. No member shall be eligible to hold elective or appointed office or serve on an elective committee, unless he shall be a member of the Third Degree except the positions of Guard.

B. If an elected officer, without reasonable excuse approved by the Grand Knight, is absent from three consecutive regular business meetings, the Grand Knight may report this fact to the District Deputy for such action under Section 92(b) of the Laws of the Order as the District Deputy deems appropriate.

Section 2. A new member shall be charged the sum of Twenty Dollars (\$20), which is the initiation fee, and the dues will be prorated for the remainder of the calendar year. Priests shall be exempt from initiation fees. Deacons and students shall be charged one-half (½) the initiation fee.

Section 3. The annual dues are \$40.00.

A. Dues for Honorary Members shall be half annual dues or, if required by the Order, such sum as shall be provided in Section 118(c) of the Laws of the Order. An Honorary Member is a member sixty-five years of age who has been a member of the Third Degree for twenty-five consecutive years. The Supreme Council will automatically grant this when the member becomes eligible.

Honorary Life Members are exempt from dues. An Honorary Life Member is a member seventy years of age who has been a member of the Third Degree for twenty-five consecutive years or has belonged to the Third Degree for fifty consecutive years regardless of age. The Supreme Council will automatically grant this when the member becomes eligible. Priests and Brothers are deemed to be Honorary Life Members.

Dues for deacons, full-time students (twelve credit hours), and men in the military shall be ½ the annual dues.

The Grand Knight is exempt from dues.

Section 4. The Council shall publish an official paper (*The Knight News*), which shall be mailed to each member of the Council at his last known address or emailed to the member at his request.

A. The official paper may be used in lieu of mailed notice to all members in all matters requiring notice.

B. Where the members cannot be notified within the time required by publication in the official paper, notice shall be given subject to Article X, section 9, and posted in the Council building at least ten days before the scheduled meeting.

Section 5. No member or officer, or member of any committee, whether appointed or elected, shall have the power to vote upon any contract or agreement whereby a pecuniary obligation may be created on the part of the Council, where such member or officer stands to benefit from the same.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Section 1. Only Third Degree members shall be eligible to hold an elective office except the Guards.

Section 2. No officer, other than the Financial Secretary, and no member of any elected or appointed committee shall be employed by the Marian Council. Nothing shall prevent such officer or member from being hired as an independent contractor or as an occasional part time employee.

Section 3. The elected offices of this Council are:

Grand Knight	Treasurer
Deputy Grand Knight	Senior Inside Guard
Chancellor	Junior Inside Guard
Warden	Outside Guard
Advocate	Trustee for 3 year term
Recorder	

Section 4. The Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Chancellor, and Warden are designated as Chair Officers.

Section 5. The officers appointed by the Grand Knight are:

Chaplains

Lecturer

Assistant Wardens

Section 6. The Financial Secretary is appointed for a term of 3 years by the Supreme Council with the recommendation of the Grand Knight.

Section 7. All elected officers and members on elected committees shall perform such duties as are prescribed by the Order and the Bylaws.

ARTICLE V: NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Section 1. Nomination for the elective offices and membership on elected committees shall be made by a nominating committee consisting of six members and the Deputy Grand Knight.

A. The Nominating Committee shall be elected by the Council at the first regular meeting in October and shall hold office for a period of one year and until their successors have been duly elected and qualify.

B. It shall hold its first meeting within fourteen days of its election. It shall elect one member to act as Chairman.

C. Only members who have been Third Degree Members of the Marian Council for one year shall be eligible to serve.

Section 2. At the first meeting in May, the Nominating Committee shall submit a written list of one or more candidates for each elective office and each vacancy on elected committees and shall post the same in the Council chambers. Nominations from the floor may be made at the meeting at which the Nominating Committee submits its list of candidates and at every meeting thereafter until the election meeting.

A. The Nominating Committee shall nominate only members who have given their consent.

B. The list of candidates shall be printed in the official paper, showing the offices and vacancies on elected committees and the names of candidates in alphabetical order beside each office or vacancy.

C. The election or appointment of any member of the Nominating Committee to a council office shall immediately terminate his membership on the committee. In no event shall a Council officer be a member of the Nominating Committee other than the Deputy Grand Knight.

ARTICLE VI: ELECTIONS

Section 1. Officers and members on elected committees shall be elected at the first regular meeting in June and shall serve, with or without installation, from the first day of July and until successors are duly elected and qualify.

Section 2. Officers and membership on elected committees shall be elected by secret ballot.

Uncontested offices may be elected by voice vote.

- A. The polls shall be declared open by the Grand Knight and when all members in attendance have voted, the Grand Knight shall declare the polls closed.
- B. Only members in attendance shall be allowed to vote and absentee ballots shall not be allowed.
- C. A majority of votes cast is necessary to elect a candidate.

Section 3. The Financial Secretary shall serve as Election Chairman and the Grand Knight shall appoint three Assistant Wardens from the membership to act as tellers.

- A. The tellers shall count the votes, and the results shall be announced by the Grand Knight.
- B. The ballots shall be retained by the Financial Secretary for ten days for inspection by any member.

Section 4. Vacancies in elective offices and on committees shall be filled immediately by appointment of the Grand Knight, and such appointed persons shall serve until such time as provided in these Bylaws for the election of members to offices and committees.

ARTICLE VII: DUTIES OF COUNCIL OFFICERS

Section 1. The Grand Knight is the Council's Chief Operating Officer and shall act as presiding officer with all the powers and duties incident to such office, as prescribed in the Laws of the Supreme Council.

- A. The Grand Knight shall perform such duties as are prescribed by the Laws of the Order and such other duties as the Council may direct.
- B. Except when Notice of Applications shall be published as provided by Section 110 of the Laws of the Order, it shall be the duty of the Grand Knight, as early as practicable before the meeting, to file with the Recorder a list of candidates for election.
- C. The Grand Knight shall be an ex-officio member of all elected and appointed committees and shall be entitled to vote.

Section 2. The Deputy Grand Knight is second in command. He assists the Grand Knight with council affairs and fulfills all duties assigned to him by the Grand Knight especially in the area of future Council planning.

Should the Grand Knight be absent from a council meeting, the Deputy Grand Knight will preside.

The Deputy Grand Knight is chairman of the council's Retention Committee and shall enlist other members to serve on this committee, including the Trustees.

The Deputy Grand Knight shall be an ex-officio member of all elected and appointed committees and shall be entitled to vote.

Section 3. The Chancellor assists the Grand Knight and the Deputy Grand Knight in the execution of their duties.

The Chancellor is ex-officio chairman of the admissions committee. He shall report on all activities conducted to obtain and initiate new members in the council. He shall encourage

membership in the Order and shall exercise a special interest in new members through the "Shining Armor Award" program.

The Chancellor is charged with strengthening the member's interest in council activities through special brotherhood events.

Section 4. The Warden shall have charge of all council property and degree paraphernalia, except the property of the Financial Secretary, Treasurer, and Recorder, and shall keep them in proper condition.

He is responsible for setting up the council chambers for meeting and ceremonial work.

He shall instruct his Guards in their duties and appoint additional Guards at his pleasure.

The Warden is charged with being the Council focal point on youth athletic activities (Free Throw Championship and Soccer Challenge programs).

Section 5. The Advocate shall advise the Grand Knight in the interpretation of the Laws of the Order and the Bylaws of the Council. He shall also investigate any legal matter requested by the Council.

Section 6. The Recorder shall keep minutes of all Council meetings.

Section 7. The Financial Secretary shall collect and receive all monies due the Council, and all funds obtained from any source, by or through any person or persons, acting for or in the name of the Council or under its direction or authority.

- A. The Financial Secretary shall receive as annual compensation an amount equal to ten percent of the monies collected as dues not including initiation fee, plus Fifty Dollars per month.
- B. He shall notify the Supreme Secretary of the names and addresses of all Council officers.
- C. All checks shall be signed by two of the following officers: Grand Knight, Financial Secretary, or Treasurer.
- D. He shall keep the roll of the members, their ages, residences, telephone numbers, e-mail addresses and the date of initiation into the Order.
- E. He shall instruct the members to advise him of changes in address.
- F. He shall issue each member a Traveling Card, duly signed by the Grand Knight and attested by the Financial Secretary, which shall entitle the member, upon presentation of same (within the period specified on the card), to be considered a member in good standing of the Council.
- G. He shall keep all official records.
- H. He shall notify the Supreme Secretary of all new members, suspensions, withdrawals, deaths, reinstatements, and transfers to or from other Councils, on a monthly basis.
- I. When a member forfeits his membership, the Grand Knight and Financial Secretary shall immediately notify the Supreme Secretary of such forfeiture. When the member has failed to pay his current dues, notice shall not be sent to the Supreme Secretary nor to the

member until the Chairman or a member of the Retention Committee contacts the member and encourages him to retain his membership; if a member of the Retention Committee is unable to contact the member, the Financial Secretary will send a letter to the member. If no response is received, suspension proceedings shall be initiated.

J. The Financial Secretary and the Treasurer shall not take office, be installed, or receive any money or property of the Council until they have furnished a bond and the same has been approved by the Board of Trustees. Premiums on bonds shall be paid by the Council.

Section 8. The Treasurer shall act as custodian of all funds obtained from any source, by or through any person or persons, acting for or in the name of the Council, or under its direction or authority. He shall give an oral report on the Council treasury at the first meeting of each month and reconcile the council checkbook with the bank.

Section 9. The Senior Inside Guard, Junior Inside Guard, and Outside Guard shall act as Guards. The Senior Inside Guard and Junior Inside Guard shall attend the entrance to the Council chamber and its inner door. The Outside Guard shall attend the entrance through the outer door.

Section 10. The Board of Trustees shall consist of three members, each to serve for a term of three years.

A. The senior Trustee shall act as Chairman of the Board of Trustees and shall be identified as the 3rd year Trustee.

B. The immediate Past Grand Knight shall be the Junior Trustee to serve for a period of three years and shall be identified as the 1st year Trustee.

C. The Board of Trustees shall meet and audit the books of the Council, except lawful gambling, in February and August of each year. It shall, at the first regular business meeting following the completion of such audit, make a full report of its findings, including the receipts and disbursements, the balance on hand in each of the various funds, and the assets and liabilities.

D. The Board of Trustees shall see that the Financial Secretary and Treasurer give proper bonds running to the Council in the amounts fixed by the Laws of the Order and in accordance with these Bylaws.

E. Three trustees shall constitute the Council Disciplinary Committee. The senior trustee shall be chairman. Legal counsel retained by the Marian Council shall serve as "advisor" to this committee.

1. It shall be the duty of this committee to investigate any written charges made against any member (or guest) regarding conduct on Council premises or at Council functions, and in accordance with the provisions of the Committee Disciplinary Procedure.

2. Decisions of the Disciplinary Committee shall be final and binding, subject to the right of appeal to the Council membership.

3. The committee shall propose a Committee Disciplinary Statement and a Committee Disciplinary Procedure, which shall be subject to approval by the Council.

F. It shall perform such duties as the Laws of the Order and the Bylaws of the Council shall prescribe.

The Trustees shall be ex-officio members of the Retention Committee.

In the event that the Grand Knight cannot complete his term, the Trustees will appoint a new Grand Knight.

Section 11. The Chaplain shall be a priest selected by the Grand Knight, in accordance with any rules prescribed by the Bishop of the Diocese. The Grand Knight may also appoint spiritual advisors who may serve as Acting Chaplains when the Council Chaplain is not in attendance.

Section 12. The Lecturer shall devise means to educate and enlighten the members at meetings, and he shall perform such duties as the Grand Knight may direct.

Section 13. The Assistant Warden shall perform the duties assigned him by the Grand Knight.

ARTICLE VIII: ELECTED COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Budget and Finance committee consists of five members of the council: the Deputy Grand Knight shall serve as ex-officio members and four elected members. The elected members shall hold office for two years from the first day of July and until their successors are duly elected and qualify.

A. In June, two members shall be elected for a two year term.

B. Meetings of the Budget and Finance Committee shall be held at their discretion. The meetings are open to all members.

C. It shall request the Marian Council #3827, the Knights Fraternal Corporation, the Home Association, and the Gambling Operations for a revenue and expense budget by month for the coming year and its actual monthly and year to date financial revenue and expense results monthly for the coming year.

D. It shall review all activities for the previous year and, as soon as possible after the end of each calendar year, it shall report its best estimate as to the expected income, expense, and money available for all functions and activities of the Council.

E. It shall offer suggestions to each elected committee as to the best manner of improving the financial operation and/or financial administration of the Council building and the implementation of administrative policies.

F. At the first meeting in February, it shall submit a written report summarizing its findings and making its recommendation as to the operation and administration of the Council building for the coming Council year (commencing July 1).

G. It shall review all proposed budgets, and it shall make its recommendation to the Council.

H. Members of the Budget and Finance Committee shall not be denied access to any information regarding the financial operation or administration of the Council to assist it in performing its function properly.

Section 2. The Helping Hand Committee consists of four members of the Council: the Financial Secretary, as an ex-officio member, and three elected members. The members

shall hold office for one year from the first day of July and until their successors are duly elected and qualify.

- A. The purpose of this committee is to assist those persons and their families, regardless of race, creed, or color, who are in need of financial assistance. The Committee is not to provide on-going assistance, nor to duplicate nor supplement services available from conventional welfare agencies.
- B. The names of the persons assisted by the Helping Hand Committee shall not be publicly disclosed. Records shall be kept of all persons who have been assisted.
- C. No ex-officio member of the Committee shall be allowed to serve as President.
- D. The President of the Helping Hand Committee shall give an annual report of receipts and disbursements to the members of the Council at the first regular meeting in May.

Section 3. The Donations Committee consists of five members of the Council: the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Financial Secretary, President of the Fraternal Corp and the Gambling Manager.

- A. The purpose of this committee is to determine contributions of funds which can be allocated from the General Fund or the Gambling Fund in accordance with law.
- B. The Donations Committee shall meet at least monthly at least 30 minutes before the Council Meeting.
- C. Contributions denied or reduced by the Donations Committee may be brought before the membership at the same meeting by motion of any member at the time of the Donations Committee Report.

Section 4. Nomination and election of members to elected committees shall be in the manner provided in Article VI.

- A. The Nominating Committee shall nominate only such members as have given their consent and who have indicated their willingness to undertake responsibilities of the position.
- B. A majority of each elected committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- C. Within fourteen days after taking office, each elected committee shall elect such officers as shall be necessary.

ARTICLE IX: APPOINTED COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Grand Knight shall appoint a Program Director and a Chairman for each of the following committees:

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| Church Activities | Community Activities |
| Council Activities | Visitation and Sick Committee |
| Family and Youth Activities | Respect Life Committee |

Section 2. The appointed committees of this Council are:

- A. The Chairman of Church Activities shall report on all religious and liturgical involvement of the Council and all other matters involving Catholic Action on the part of the Council.

B. The Chairman of Council Activities shall report on all activities affecting the Council and all activities which the Council is participating in, especially those of a fraternal nature.

C. The Chairman of Family and Youth Activities shall report on all activities which the Council is engaged in to foster and promote family and youth activity, including the sponsorship and promotion of all family and youth activities.

D. The Chairman of Community Activities shall report on all involvement of the Council in the community, on a local, state, and national level, and he shall advise on all matters in which the Council can assist the community in worthwhile civic, social, and charitable activities.

E. The Chairman of the Visitation of the Sick Committee shall advise the members at each meeting of the members of the Council, their wives and families, who are sick, in distress, or in need of help.

The Respect Life Committee shall advise the members on all matters affecting life issues.

Non-members may be appointed to serve on committees as the committee chairman may deem appropriate.

Section 3. The Grand Knight shall be empowered to appoint, in addition to the standing committees listed herein, such additional committees as he may deem necessary.

A. A majority of each committee, whether elected or appointed, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

B. Within fourteen days after being appointed, each committee shall elect such officers as shall be necessary.

ARTICLE X: COUNCIL MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular meetings of the Council shall be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Council chambers.

A. The regular business meeting shall be held on the second Thursday of the month. This meeting is to be considered the business meeting where all items shall be discussed.

B. A second meeting shall be held on the 4th Thursday in the months of September, October and January through April. This shall be a short meeting addressing any events held before the next business meeting. This meeting shall be known as the lecturer program meeting.

C. If Holy Thursday shall fall on the second Thursday of the month, the meeting shall be held on the previous day. If Holy Thursday shall fall on the fourth Thursday of the month, the meeting shall be cancelled.

D. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prevent the convening of a special meeting.

Section 2. Twenty-five members shall constitute a quorum to conduct business.

Section 3. The Grand Knight shall preside over Council meetings.

Section 4. Order of Business. The following shall be the order of business and procedure at regular business meetings of the Council:

1. Call to order
2. Warden's report on membership cards
3. Prayer
4. Pledge of Allegiance or other suitable patriotic display of loyalty to the United States
5. *Opening ode**
6. Roll call of officers
7. Reading of minutes of previous meeting(s)
8. *Treasurer's report**
9. *Reading of communications**
10. Reading of applications
11. Balloting for membership
12. Membership Report
13. *Retention report**
14. Program Reports
 - Council
 - Church/Community
 - Family Youth
15. *Report of Board of Trustees**
16. *District Deputy's report**
17. Grand Knight's report
18. Unfinished business
19. New Business (when elections are in order, this is the first item under New business)
20. Chaplain's summation
21. *Good of the Order**
22. Pot-O-Gold
23. Closing prayer
24. *Closing ode**
25. Meeting closed

*Parts of the order of business marked with an asterisk may be omitted at the second regular meeting of the month.

Section 5. Special meetings to consider urgent matters shall be convened as follows:

- A. By majority vote of the Council at the preceding regular meeting; or by direction of the Grand Knight; or by written request signed by twelve members stating the specific purpose of such meeting.
- B. Notice of special meetings shall be given as provided in Article X, Section 9 not less than ten days before such meeting and posted in a conspicuous place in the Council building. It shall state the specific purpose for such special meeting, and no other business shall be transacted at such meeting.
- C. The order of business at special meetings is:
 1. Call to order
 2. Warden's report on membership cards
 3. Prayer
 4. Roll call of officers
 5. Pledge of Allegiance
 6. Consideration of the specific purpose for the meeting
 7. Closing prayer
 8. Adjournment

Section 6. It shall be the duty of the officers to attend all meetings. In case of inability to attend, notice shall be given to the Grand Knight and arrangements made to have all necessary books and papers delivered to the meeting. In the absence of a Chair Officer, the presiding officer shall designate a member to act in that capacity.

Section 7. If the Grand Knight is absent, the Deputy Grand Knight shall preside. If he is absent, the duty of presiding shall devolve on the other officers in the order provided in Article IV, Section 3.

Section 8. Executive Session. In the event that any committee shall convene an Executive Session, in accordance with the requirements of Minnesota law, such procedure shall be taken in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order and Minnesota law, and all other than members of the committee shall be barred from such Executive Session; no minutes shall be taken, and no official business shall be conducted.

Section 9. Notices may be provided to the members by enclosure in The Knight News or by email and by posting in the Council Hall. Each member should provide his email address to the Financial Secretary.

ARTICLE XI: COUNCIL FUNDS

Section 1. All sums of money from any source, by or through any person or persons, acting for or in the name of this Council or under its direction or authority, shall be paid into the Council General Fund by forthwith delivering it to the Financial Secretary, who shall give his official receipt therefor.

A. The Financial Secretary shall deposit all monies received by him in a bank or credit union to the credit of the Council.

B. Disbursements from the bank or credit union shall be by check signed by the Grand Knight or the Financial Secretary or the Treasurer. The signature cards shall be updated in July of each year.

Section 2. No money in excess of the sum of Two Hundred Dollars shall be paid or transferred from the treasury of this Council unless by a majority of all votes cast at a regular meeting held subsequent to a regular meeting at which a written resolution to expend such money (stating the purpose of the resolution and the amount to be expended) shall have been read to the members, posted in a conspicuous place in the Council building, and published in the official paper or disclosed by notice as provided by Article X, Section 9.

A. The above does not apply to such money as the Council is called upon to pay for its current expenses.

Section 3. The sum of Five Hundred Dollars, or less, may be expended by the Council for charitable purposes upon approval of a majority of votes cast, for each separate purpose. Such expenditures do not require written resolution or published notice.

Section 4. All donation requests shall be submitted in writing to the Donations Committee at least 30 minutes before the regular council business meeting.

Section 5. Council bills shall be referred to the Financial Secretary for approval and payment.

Section 6. Grand Knight's Fund. Two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per year shall be appropriated from the general fund for the use of the Grand Knight during his tenure. The funds may be used by the Grand Knight for expenses incurred by him in the performance of his duties and for the entertainment of other members of the Council and guests at the Marian hall.

Section 7. Lecturer's Fund. Four Hundred Dollars per year may be appropriated from the general fund for the use of the Lecturer. The funds may be used to enable the Lecturer to provide suitable programming at meetings.

Expenditure from the Lecturer's Fund for honoraria shall be subject to approval by the Donations Committee and paid by check signed by any two of the following: Grand Knight, Financial Secretary, or Treasurer.

Section 8. Respect Life Committee Fund. Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250) per year shall be appropriated from the general fund for the use of the Respect Life Committee for speaker honorariums.

Section 9. Council funds not needed for immediate disbursement may be invested by the Finance Committee in safe and conservative investments.

ARTICLE XII: DEATH OF A MEMBER

Section 1. On the death of any member, the Grand Knight, or his designee, shall notify the members in a manner he deems most appropriate and shall request them to pay their respects to the deceased.

Section 2. When notice of the death of a member is received, the Grand Knight or Financial Secretary shall forward to the family of the deceased a message of condolence on behalf of the Council. The family of the deceased member shall be presented a Bible as a remembrance from the Marian Council.

Section 3. The Grand Knight shall arrange for the celebration of a Memorial Mass in November for the repose of the souls of deceased members.

ARTICLE XIII: AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

Section 1. These Bylaws may be amended, altered, or repealed, and new Bylaws adopted at a regular or special meeting.

Section 2. Written notice of intention to amend, alter, repeal, or adopt new Bylaws shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the Council building and provided to each member as set forth in Article X, Section 9, at least ten days prior to the meeting.

Section 3. A two-thirds majority of the votes cast by the members present is necessary to amend, alter, repeal, or adopt new Bylaws.

ARTICLE XIV: SAVING CLAUSE

Section 1. In all matters not covered by these Bylaws, the Laws of the Order, Roberts Rules of Order, Federal and Minnesota Statutes, shall apply.

Section 2. Any article or subdivision of these Bylaws which contradicts the Laws of the Order shall be void. If after adoption of these Bylaws, the Laws of the Order, or the Order's interpretation of them, are so changed as to make any article or subdivision herein conflict, such article or subdivision of these Bylaws shall be void. In no event shall such change or interpretation render void the remainder of the article or subdivision of these Bylaws.

ARTICLE XV: EFFECTIVE DATE

These Bylaws shall take effect immediately upon their adoption by this Council, subject to approval of the Supreme Council.

These Bylaws were duly adopted by the Knights of Columbus Marian Council – Number 3827, at a regular meeting on Thursday, January 8, 2015.

Grand Knight

Deputy Grand Knight

Chancellor

Warden

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that the above are the true and correct Bylaws of Knights of Columbus Marian Council – Number 3827, adopted by a majority vote of the members at a meeting properly held as aforesaid, after due notice.

Dated: February 12, 2015

Bylaws Chairman

Attest: Recording Secretary