

The meeting was called to order at 6:29 p.m. In light of New Year celebrations with families following the meeting, a motion for a shortened meeting was made and approved unanimously.

The Treasurer reported the following:

- A thank-you letter was received from Upper Des Moines Opportunity (UDMO) for the Council's recent donation.
- The current bank balance stands at \$6,698.71.
- There is an outstanding check in the amount of \$2,500, which has not yet been cleared.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was presented and carried unanimously.

Old business:

- The next Exemplification is scheduled for January 11, 2026. Two individuals have expressed interest online; responses are pending.
- The Free Throw Contest is scheduled for January 19, 2026. Looking for a few volunteers to help during the day.
- A \$400 check was received from Supreme as reimbursement for our Council's contribution to the Zach Steffes trip to the Vatican.

New business:

- It was announced that Zack Steffes has been appointed to the seminary in Rome and will be moving there in June. Donations and assistance are welcomed to help him obtain suits, and shirts.
- A Distinguished Service Award was presented to Elliott Smith in recognition of his contributions to the Council. Elliott promptly joined the body of officials and has leveraged a series of resources from Supreme to the benefit of our Council.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was presented and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Hernani Nabuco Freitas