

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
Parish Council Meeting
May 16, 2018

Opening Prayer: Father Paul Christy opened the meeting with a prayer.

Call to Order: President Mary Winstead called the meeting to order at 7PM.

Members Present: John Demos, Steve Flaherty, Maria Hicks, Jason Kekas, Jim Klemes, David Kouba, Leon Kythas, Sydney Langford, Bob Lyford, Jim Riley, Steve Ryan, Mary Winstead.

Members Absent: Mary Wehbie, Leslie Dombalis, Costa Panagos

Reading of the Minutes: Maria Hicks

Minutes sent electronically in advance of the meeting. Motion to accept the minutes by John Klemes. Seconded by John Demos. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Lyford

Bob reviewed the Balance Sheet and the P/L Statement. April looked good. Kitchen addition budget line is down to \$49k. Have not transferred the \$17k memorial fund (Mrs. Vallas). Stewardship pledges are good for April. Approx \$20k over from last year (\$15k is what was deferred from last year). Need to allocate money for Clergy Laity in Boston. Father is attending and has already purchased a plane ticket and registration. Computer and Internet Expenses line item up slightly. Amalia purchases programs and various items at the beginning of year with some that have expired and needed to be renewed.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report by Jim Klemes. Seconded by Jason Kekas. Motion carried.

CCCM:

Rob Coffin briefly attended to remind us of the upcoming CCCM meetings. May 27 in the library. June 23 meeting, movie and potluck in the Multi-purpose room. All are welcome to attend.

Ministry Updates

- Sydney Langford
 - Sydney reported that Proforo is in great shape.
 - Tamara is seeking someone to take over the bookstore responsibilities.
 - The Welcome Committee is continuously looking for additional volunteers.
 - Philoptochos – Stephanie appreciates our help with bereavements. Stephanie will be attending Clergy Laity in Boston. Bake sale on schedule for December. The altar boy robes need to be repaired. After looking at repairing, it was determined they really need to be replaced. A parishioner donated money towards icons and new robes. Father is in the process of ordering the robes and two new icons.

- Jim Riley
 - Church website being updated regularly now. Approximately 20 new people have been added to the e-bulletin. A/V team has purchased a new audio

mixer which has helped with the overall acoustics. Also, have purchased two new mics and stands. John Dombalis is interested in maintaining updates and doing different things to our Church website.

Kitchen Rules Committee:

Mary Wehbie & Rhonda Milkovich have been appointed to the committee that will oversee the rules and processes that pertain to the kitchen. Every group/ministry who utilizes the kitchen will need to identify one person to be held ultimately responsible for their kitchen use.

Festival Update:

Jason updated that cooking has begun with 110 pans of pastichio. Moussaka is next and then lamb shanks on Memorial weekend. Festival Kick-off luncheon was a big success. Right now volunteer sign-ups are slightly ahead as far as people getting involved. 854 positions have been identified that need to be filled in order to have a successful Greek Festival. Festival chair meeting will be held on June 2 at 9am. Jason will forward us the cooking schedule.

Father Paul Christy Comments:

Bob Lyford & Charles Karvelas have been nominated for this year's Archangel Michael winners. Congratulations to Bob and Charlie. Father blessed the Habitat for Humanity Orthodox build house. Briefly spoke about Greek Heritage Night at the Durham Bulls on July 28.

President's Comments: Mary Winstead

Mary is planning on attending Clergy Laity in Boston (July 1-5). Mary has requested an update regarding our offer we made towards the Vallas property. John Adcock responded and advised that they should be able to respond by Friday, May 18.

Old Business:

- Some pews are being left littered with food. Father will make a gentle reminder about tidying up pews in general after Liturgy.
- There was a suggestion of moving the bulletin recycle bin to outside the narthex so parishioners can drop their bulletin for recycling.
- Rob has been asked to devote a week to St. Stephens this summer (July) to be a camp counselor.
- Mary reminded the PC that we need to take responsibility for lighting the candles for Memorials and taking the kolivas back to Fellowship Hall. Rob gets busy and he can't always light the candles.
- Had another issue (bad) with deposit. Please remember to count all checks and make sure we count the checks AFTER photocopying.
- Chris Pappas compiled a list of maintenance items. Most need to be completed fairly quickly. Biggest item is the paving and repairing of the walkways and side parking lot. Total estimate is approx. \$18K. He has only one estimate so far. He will obtain at least one more. Jim Klemes has agreed to be the PC liaison for the maintenance committee. There is a list of quarterly items that need to be completed. Dwight and Rob are responsible for implementing these and Jim will oversee.
- PC agreed that the washer and dryer we have in the basement should be donated to St. Johns. Leon will advise Deacon that we will donate.

- A parishioner is willing to donate a stackable washer/dryer but the cost to hook-up is too expensive (approx. \$2300). George K. has also looked in to a laundry service. First estimate is \$35 per week and \$.16 per towel. George will get additional estimates for a service.
- Jim Klemes brought up the fact that the sanctuary thermostats are being adjusted during Liturgies by parishioners. He suggested putting the locked covers back on the thermostats. He will install.

Closing Prayer: Father Paul Christy closed with a prayer.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Respectively submitted,

Maria Hicks
PC Vice President