

Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation

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Rochester, NY
Parish Council Meeting Minutes
Date: September 10, 2018
Time: 7:00 PM EST
Location: Church Conference Room

Present: Fr. Angelo Maggos

PC Members: Alexia Georgiou, Demetri Kolokouris, Alan Makovsky, Kathy Markakis Nicoletta

Pinopoulos, Jim Stathopoulos, Eric Vangellow, Peggy Votsis, Van Zissis

Call to Order/Opening Prayer: Meeting convened at 7:09 pm with a prayer

Reading and Ratification of the previous meeting minutes

Fr. Angelo asked for an amendment to the August minutes regarding Member in Good Standing Policy: Fr. proposes that members who are in good standing be able to use the church as no additional cost (this would be at the discretion of Fr. "and the Parish Council President"

- Motion to approve August minutes; Seconded
- Kathy, Peggy and Van abstained as they were not present for the August meeting
- Minutes approved

Treasurer's Report

- Approval with the IRS ongoing for the \$500 fine from the Raffle at the Festival
- There have been a few issues with Paychex and the way are paying Fr. Angelo. Because Fr. is a resident of Michigan, a special registration had to be filed in order for him to be taxed properly etc.
- Church is currently being charged 2.9% for Paypal
- Currently have a few added expenses because Fr. Mot is still on the books until the end of October.
- Current umbrella policy is excessive (\$10M); policy will be dropped down to \$5M



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Stewardship Report

- A stewardship check was sent to the church from an estate in the amount of \$100K
- All checks are being deposited on a weekly basis.
- Process for donations made in memory of a deceased individual:
 - o List of names will be made & sent to the family
 - Church should send a personalized thank you letter to each person as well, signed by Fr. Angelo

Old Business

a. Sound System Upgrade

- Motion made by Alexia to approve new sound system, not to exceed \$19,955. Monies to be used from the maintenance fund.
- Seconded by Peggy; Passed unanimously

b. Status of Administrative Assistant position

Lena started today, September 10th. Fr. Angelo working with her on church processes.

c. Website construction status

Website up and running. Fully functional and current.

New Business

a. Member in Good Standing Policy

Fr. Angelo would like to speak with parishioners on an individual basis regarding their stewardship. Fr. is looking for a hybrid between the Member in Good Standing Policy and Church Usage Fees.

b. Church Hall

- Fr. Angelo met with Athi, Zack and Taso regarding the hall renovation. The proposal from Athi is due in stages to Fr. Angelo, with the final to be ready in time for the Fall General Assembly Meeting.
- \$2K to be paid to Athi for her time spent on the proposal.



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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education

- Greek School begins on September 15th
- Sunday School begins on September 16th

Maintenance, Supplies Building and Property upkeep

- Taso Kolokouris explained to the Parish Council the various stages of redoing the parking lot.
- Motion to accept the bid from Alco and sign the contract for \$258,202. \$316K will be allocated for this project, and the project is not to exceed this amount.
- Motion passed unanimously.

OTHER

- General Assembly Meeting Sunday, October 28th (after Liturgy)
- Alan out of the country September 22-October 15
- Formal community event to be scheduled to welcome Fr. Angelo and Presvytera. Looking at October 12th at Oak Hill. Aegean Duo will donate their services.
- Next meeting Monday, October 1st

11. Closing prayer / Adjournment: 9:30 PM