

ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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MINUTES – SPRING General Assembly 2023

May 21, 2023

- 1. Call to Order-meeting called to order by President Eric Vangellow at 12:53 p.m.
- 2. Opening Prayer by Fr. Angelo
- Meeting Chairperson—Helen nominated Eric, seconded by D. Kolokouris, passed. Meeting Secretary-Eric nominated Helen, seconded by D. Kolokouris, passed. Approval of previous General Assembly Minutes-Patty Gitsis moved to accept, seconded by D. Kolokouris, passed.
- 4. Treasurer Report and Stewardship- D. Kolokouris/Eric Vangellow

2022 financial results were distributed and reviewed going back to 2017. Stewardship has been consistent throughout. We had a very strong Festival. Net income for 2022 was reported at over \$300,000. We spent approximately \$280,000 on a new roof and three (3) new a/c units for the church and other capital improvements. Thus we have new roofs and a/c units on both the hall and the church. Some of our funds have been invested in CDs. The Festival, Annual Golf Outing, stewardship and several other revenue sources puts us in a strong financial position.

5. Ministry and Organization Reports/Update on Strategic Plan

- a) Fund Raising/Income generating events:
 - Greek Festival-upcoming
 - Golf Outing-to be held Sept. 11, 2023
 - Hall Rental
 - Parking rental
- b. Youth Director Report/Communications Ministry-Demos Euclid

As part of his strategic 5 yr. plan Demos has

- Worked to increase our YouTube subscriber rate to 11,000 subscribers. Thus far revenue generated from our YouTube channel is over \$6000.
- Upgraded the Sunday School and Greek School classrooms with the latest technology for classroom instructions, such as Smart TVs and Google Chromecast in each classroom and electronic notebooks for our preteens and teenagers.
- Advocated for a dedicated Youth activity Center. Upon attending the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese Youth Leader Conference this summer in Houston, TX and visiting several churches there churches, he observed that in the successful youth programs, the youth have a separate room for their activities, while building a community which encourages bonds with our youth.



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- been working with Sunday School, Greek School, and GOYA to continue a monthly charity event that our youth will participate in.
- organizing a once per month outing at various locations in Rochester for our Young Adults to meet and build fellowship.
- c. Religious Education
- d. Philoptochos
- e. Choir/Chant
- f. GOYA
- g. Greek School
- h. Seniors Group
- i. Cultural Groups

In the interest of time and to allow ample time for a full and open discussion all ministry updates will be provided at the General Assembly meeting.

- 7. Call for Questions
- 8. General Maintenance and Upkeep Van Yannas working with Fr. A. to identify maintenance issues.
- 9. Old Business-none
- 10. New Business
 - a) Financial Audit-need community member to spearhead Financial Audit Committee
 - b) Community and Youth Center: Council members Van Yannas and Patty Gitsis presented architect renderings for a proposed 2500 sq ft, 2 story building behind the church, including multi-use space for all groups, a courtyard and includes a youth center with. This proposal is to initiate further discussion among church groups.
 - c) Board of Elections- Helen nominated Juan Linares and Angie LaLoggia for the Board of Elections; seconded by Van; passed.
 - d) The upcoming Festival needs the community to volunteer to ensure that it will be successful.
- 11. Call for Adjournment at 1:44 p.m.
- 12. Closing Prayer by Fr. Angelo