



ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

June 19, 2023

- Meeting called to order at 6:08 PM
 - Opening Prayer by Fr. A
 - Quorum / Roll Call: Absent: Patty, Peggy, Minas
 - Reading and Ratification of the previous meeting minutes: Karen moved approval, D. seconded; passed.
 - **Treasurer's Report** – there were some festival expenses that need to be paid; Eric feels that our financial position is stable.
 - We had roughly \$450K in unrestricted funds available as of April 30, 2023. This includes Operating Cash \$170K, Zutes Maintenance \$28K, and PayPal \$2K.
 - Note: as discussed in our last meeting we consolidated funds into the Operating Cash account and closed the following checking accounts; Building, Jempelis, Festival, and GOYA. This allowed us to place \$250K from Operating Cash into a 6-month CD earning roughly 4.25%. We anticipate roughly \$10,600 in interest income from this investment.
 - **Stewardship Report** – See Stewardship and Financial report below. Eric stated that we are about 1.8% ahead of last year, even though we have lost many parishioners who have passed.
- ### 8. Old Business
- Windows installation progress—2 have been installed; to follow up.
 - Church coverage during Fr Angelo's leave—Tasso and D will be here from 9 to 11 on the 9th and the 16th of July to open the church; Fr. A will have service on June 23.
- ### New Business
- Hall Status – Selection of new hall manager—we will have an interview on June 26th with Kerry who has been helping current hall manager. Her focus will probably be Saturdays only for rentals.



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COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Education and Activities**
 - Youth Director -See attached report.
 - Tuesday Zoom Discussion – Lenten Study. Holy Week: From Jerusalem to Resurrection
 - Thursday YouTube Orthodoxy Q&A Livechat – 7-8:30pm
 - St Timothy's Summer camp – 26-30 July—Fr going Tues be back Fri and Demos is going Tues and Wed
 - **Public Relations/Outreach/ Visitations**
 - **Communications Ministry**—see report below.
 - **Maintenance, Supplies Building and Property upkeep:**
 - Band Stand removal-Fr. To call Jim/Dean to follow up
 - Landscaping update—Alan to follow up
 - **Office/General Supplies – No issues**
 - No issues
 - **Fund Raising Updates**
 - Greek Festival Financial update—we reviewed the summary email from John and Mike. Approximate revenue is \$522,000 based on cash, credit card deposits and total sponsorship revenue.
 - We need a post-festival meeting.
- Van concerned that Greek school has increased their rates; Fr. A. to follow up with the Greek School directors.
- **Closing prayer / Adjournment: 6:53 p.m.**



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Youth and Communication Ministry Reports

Youth Report Upcoming Events

St. Timothy Camp - June 26th-July 1st GOYA & Sunday School We are currently in the process of finalizing dates and booking venues for the Fall 2023 GOYA season. The major events include: Eternal Flame Falls Hike in September, Escape Room night in October, Lasertron in November, and GoKarting in December.

Spring 2024 will be booked in August/September. Booked Sunday School events also include: our annual Blessing of the Vehicles in September, the Blessing of the Animals and the return of Trunk or Treat in October, and our annual Christmas pageant in December. CHARITIES One of our goals is a greater focus on community involvement and youth. We aim to be signed up to participate in at least one charity or fundraising activity per month.

Currently, we are scheduled to participate in the AFSP Out of the Darkness Rochester NY Walk suicide prevention event in October, the East Avenue Grocery Run for Foodlink in November, our annual Christmas Toy Drive for Golisano Children's Hospital, and a return of the Sweet Cases for foster children in January.

Communication and Website Our new education and youth/adult ministries sections will be unveiled by the end of the month. We have been working with each group to develop specific pages to meet their needs and solidify better communication with the parish. Each interconnected page will feature: about sections, latest news and upcoming events, photo galleries, media/resources, registration, video playlists (where applicable), blog availability, staff/volunteer director (if applicable), and more.

Furthermore, these pages have been developed alongside a refresh of the Church calendar which now includes specific tags and categorization for each ministry. The website as a whole has seen a major behind the scenes refresh to improve layouts and banners, UX design, bug fixes, and simplification of older pages.

The final specific steps needed to complete our website refresh is the update of our Staff/Clergy page (to now include the ministry directories assembled during the development of the group pages), the photo gallery to, a.) be current and, b.) to have specific galleries be integrated with their respective group pages, and a complete redo of the Resources page to now include an Online Bible Study section. Our goal is to have these additions/changes beta-tested and ready to go by Fall 2023.



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STEWARDSHIP and FINANCIAL REPORT – FOR EOM APRIL

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General comments follow:

1. Stewardship for April was \$14,855. The first four months of 2023 are 1.8% or \$2,202 over the same period in 2022. For reference, our \$260K annual target averages \$21,670/month.
2. Memorial Donations through April 2023 were \$12,643 versus \$18,928 through the same period last year – a difference of (\$6,284) or -33.2%.
3. Candle receipts through April 2023 were \$30,104, a 3.5% increase over the same period in 2022.
4. Church Expense for April 2023 was \$17,702 versus \$2,757 in April 2022. Key drivers behind this number include \$10,000 for the new chairs, which was covered by donations, and \$5,300 for Cantor during Easter, which was covered by donations.
5. The P&L through April includes a small portion of Festival revenue and expense. Festival revenues – provided we collect all sponsorship revenue – will total roughly \$522K. We will have a better feel for the total expenses by late July.