

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church



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Minutes – SPRING General Assembly 2025

Sunday May 4, 2025

1. Call to Order by PC President Eric Vangellow at 12:15 pm
2. Opening Prayer by Fr. Angelo
3. Election of GA Chair: Helen nominated Eric, seconded by Zach; passed
4. Election of GA secretary: Presvytera nominated Helen, seconded by Eric; passed.
5. Approval of previous General Assembly Minutes —Akrivi moved approval; Andrea seconded; -passed; minutes approved. Eric informed us that we have hired Hanlon Architects—to date we have spent \$7000 to \$7500 of the \$65,000 that was approved to explore capital improvement projects.
6. Treasurer Report and Stewardship—Eric explained the distributed draft financial report. We had issue with bookkeeper in 2024 but engaging a new bookkeeper in 2025. Stewardship peaked in 2022 and 2023 but in 2024 there was a decline. The trend line-is attributed to generational shift—because memorial donations and stewardship were down, we have become more reliant on festival proceeds-He thanked the Festival co-chairs, Mike Nassis and John Vangellow. The festival did well. Expenses for ministries have become higher as they have stepped up their programs to invest in the future. Cash balances end of last year was \$594,000 cash, \$139,000 restricted and \$2,500 GOYA accounts. Bulk of the cash in CDs.
7. Ministry and Organization Reports
 - a. **Fund Raising Events** Eric Vangellow
 - Greek Festival—upcoming; he commented that we are the only festival that weekend. The volunteer website is up and running—will send out email with link for volunteers.
 - Golf Outing-Sept 15, 2025-upcoming.
 - Hall rental a little off but trending in right direction; we have new hall manager.
 - b. Youth Director Report --Demos reported that 80% of events have good turnout—movies, etc. and remain consistent. His plan is to have 1-2 youth events every month.

- c. Communications Ministry—Demos reported that we have hit 25,000 subscribers on YouTube; revenue is \$500-\$700/month via donations/advertising.
- d. Religious Education Rhonda informed us that we had one winner in the Oratorical sr. division- Helen Broikos, she won at the Metropolis level and is moving on. Athanasia Tzogas, competed in the jr. division at the Metropolis, made impressive speech on Philoptochos

- e. Philoptochos
- f. Choir/Chant
- g. GOYA
- h. Greek School
- i. Seniors Group
- j. 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.

- 8. Call for Questions-downstairs bathrooms supposed to be done end of June.
- 9. General Maintenance and Upkeep
- 10. Old Business
 - i. Update on Capital Improvement efforts (as presented at Fall GA)—we voted to spend \$65,000 on architect work: converting the lift to elevator, improving handicapped ramp, kitchen expansion(added space for Festival)-adding handicapped bathrooms to the hall. PC decided to move forward with smaller lift project—to spend upwards to \$200,000 from funds we have in the bank; Helen moved to convert lift to elevator, spending upwards to \$200,000, Dorothea seconded. Passed...Questions answered on renovations of the ramp.
- 11. New Business
 - i. Legacy Gift Planning Program—Sarah made presentation of Diocese program and explained how we can donate. She talked about the advantages of a will and what is legacy gift planning, and how it can be accomplished. One page explanation to be available on church’s website.
 - ii. Egypt trip 2026-Demos presented tentative agenda for trip in 2026—follows Holy Family travels-we need at least 20 people to sign up—approximate cost is \$2500-\$2600/person; info will be on church website. He is looking for feedback.
- 12. Call for Adjournment-GA Chairman at 1:15 p.m.
- 13. Closing Prayer by Fr. Angelo