

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
Parish Council Meeting
June 9, 2016

A regular meeting of the Parish Council of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church was held on Thursday, June 9, 2016 at the Church. President Tracy Pappas called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with Secretary Nick Dervenis present.

Clergy Present: Father Bill Bartz, Father Jarrod Russell

Members Present: Nick Dervenis, Bob Dine, Angelo Julovich, Steve Kollias, Tracy Pappas, Julie Rowlas, Nick Saran, Irene Sarris, Nick Sofianopoulos, Gail Zeheralis

Members Absent: Matt Albean, Dennis Dickos, Greg Dickos, George Pappaioanou

Opening Prayer

Father Bill Bartz offered a prayer at the beginning of the meeting.

Approval of the May 12th minutes

Gail Zeheralis made a motion: "I move to accept the minutes of the May 12th meeting." There was a second to the motion. There was an opportunity for discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved.

Treasury Report

Nick Saran presented the Treasurer's report including an overview of the balance sheet as of June 9, 2016 as follows:

PNC Operating Acct.	\$ 214,596.25
PNC Fundraising Acct.	\$ 16,839.87
PNC Designated Acct.	\$ 173,926.57
Schwab – Cash	\$ 126,005.43
PNC Building Fund	\$ 539,061.48
PNC Building Fund CD	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,070,429.60</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 0.00</u>

Nick Dervenis made a motion: "I move to accept the Treasurer's report." There was a second to the motion. There was an opportunity for discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved.

Finance Committee Report

Nick Saran recommended keeping the monies in the Schwab account for now. Nick will look into options on creating an endowment with a gifting policy with these monies.

Nick Sofianopoulos moved to initiate the internal control/policy and procedures auditing module for \$2,000 with the accounting firm Capincrouse. There was a second to the

motion. There was opportunity for discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved.

Steve Kollias moved to pay up to \$20,000 for the moving expenses of the new Assistant Priest. There was a second to the motion. There was opportunity for discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved.

Nick Saran reported that the Shelby software program will remain and he recommended training for the Office Staff.

Irene Sarris moved to pay up to \$1,000 for training of the Office Staff on the Shelby software program. There was a second to the motion. There was opportunity for discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved.

Stewardship Committee Report

Gail Zeheralis presented the Stewardship Report.

2016 Stewardship as of 6/09/16

Total Parishioners Pledged to-date	387
Total amount pledged to date	\$666,173.37
Total amount contributed to date	\$315,133.37
Total Unpaid balance to date	\$351,040.00

Comparison: 2015 Stewardship on 6/09/15

Total parishioners pledged	374
Total amount pledged	\$617,197.29
Total amount contributed	\$293,245.02
Total balance unpaid	\$323,952.27

2015 Stewardship as of 6/09/16

Number of parishioners pledged for 2015	408
Total amount pledged to date	\$676,780.80
Total amount contributed to date	\$661,296.30
Total Unpaid balance to date	\$ 15,484.50

Clergy Reports

Father Bill Bartz's Report

Since our 12 May Parish Council meeting, there was one Divine Liturgy for the Feastday of Saints Constantine and Helen and two weddings. Father Jarrod celebrated his first Churching of a baby. Three sessions for pre-marriage preparation occurred with prospective couples. There was one tour.

We of Holy Trinity Church (HTC) will be partnering with the Merciful Help Center at Our Lady of Mount Carmel on the first Saturday of each month, beginning 6 August. There are

three steps in the process to volunteer: sign up for training day, complete Background check, and complete online Protocol training. Father Bill was so pleased with the enthusiasm of our Parishioners who seek to help those who are in need and enabling us to extend beyond ourselves.

During the May Clergy meeting at the Metropolis, His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas directed that after the Holy Saturday morning Vespereal Liturgy, the flower petals should be picked up, protecting the faithful from slipping.

His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas informed Father Bill that Father Jarrod will be leaving HTC in July 2016 and that another recent graduate will be assigned to HTC. Both candidates are married and ordained Deacons.

George Agapios photographed the icons of the prophets and the Creation that are in the dome from the lift that Huston Electric is using to install the LED lights. Better photographs are needed of our icons for our website.

On Thursday, 19 May, Willa Gillispie was offered the job of Administrative Assistant at HTC. She accepted and her employment at HTC began on Monday, 23 May 2016, with her hours of 1030 – 1700 on Monday thru Thursday.

Emily and Father Bill went to Akron to visit Father Bill's mother and sisters on Sunday, 29 May, returning on Tuesday, 31 May 2016.

Father Jarrod Russell's Report

Religious Education:

The final Church School class visit for the year, which was to the 7th and 8th grade class, occurred on Sunday, May 15. The class was taught by Nick Pappas and Gail Kollias. It was a good visit, and the students were able to ask the priest various questions.

Church School ended on Sunday, May 22. Church School awards were handed out on Sunday, June 5. Church school attendance awards were given to 35 students. Students with five or fewer absences received a certificate and a book. The breakdown by class is as follows:

Kindergarten: 2

First: 2

Third & Fourth: 7

Fifth & Sixth: 4

Seventh & Eighth: 7

Ninth – Twelfth: 13

Church School medals were given to all Preschool students.

Eight high school seniors were recognized as "graduating" from Church School. Of those eight high school seniors, three received attendance awards.

On Sunday, June 12, fourteen high school seniors in our community will be recognized for graduating from their respective high schools.

Youth Ministry Events:

All the Youth Ministries participated in the Philoptochos Volunteer Day on May 14. There were approximately 30 members of the various ministries present and working.

The Sr. and Jr. GOYA worked the soup kitchen on Saturday, May 21. Six GOYAns and eight adult advisors participated. They served 65 adults and 2 children. The soup kitchen conflicted with the Divine Liturgy for Sts. Constantine and Helen, so no clergy were present.

The HOPE/JOY End of Year Picnic occurred on Sunday, June 5. There were approximately 10-12 children and 5-8 adults in attendance.

The first meeting with the HOPE leaders for scheduling the 2016-17 year occurred on Tuesday, June 7. The first meeting with the JOY leaders for scheduling the 2016-17 year will occur on Tuesday, June 14.

Work is continuing on the schedules for the Jr. GOYA and Sr. GOYA for the 2016-17 year continues.

The Sr. and Jr. GOYA trip to Kings Island will occur on Wednesday, June 15. Currently, there are 14 GOYAns 5 adults, including Father Jarrod, attending. The total cost is below \$1000 and has been approved by Father Bill. There are four spots available due to cancellations.

Metropolis of Detroit Events:

The St. Nicholas Summer Camp is scheduled for July 24-30, 2016, in Pleasantville, Tennessee. While the early registration discount has expired, financial aid is available and no camper will be denied for inability to pay the registration fee of \$425. Camp and the availability of financial aid have been promoted in the Koinonia and by the youth advisors. The Metropolis is also providing a bus to reduce the length of travel. The campers are being charged \$50 for the round trip. For this year, Holy Trinity campers are being encouraged to board the bus at the Assumption Parish in Louisville, Kentucky.

As of June 7, 65 campers were signed up in total, which is an increase of 12 campers.

As of May 31, two campers and six staff members from Holy Trinity have signed up.

Parish Council Committee Assignments and Reports

LED Lighting in Parking Lot Update -- Tony Filis

Tony reported the exterior LED lighting is installed and operational. Readjustments and refocusing to the lighting is scheduled to occur this evening. The exterior lighting is eligible for a rebate of \$4,230 from IPL due to the efficiency of the lighting. Tony stated we should begin seeing a reduction on our billing statements beginning in July/August.

Lighting for iconography update – Tony Filis

Tony reported the interior lighting has been installed with focusing to occur this evening. Programming will occur next month.

Bids for new Risers – Tony Filis

Tony reported all companies have completed a site visit and can meet a 2 week time line. Bids came in from 4 different companies. Risers will be constructed of wood with a hardwood floor option. The risers will not be attached to the floor and can be moved throughout the church as needed. Tony recommended B. Davis Remodeling Company. Tony stated a target start date as the first week of August.

Steve Kollias moved to accept the B. Davis Remodeling Company bid of \$17,460. There was a second. There was opportunity for discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was passed.

Flooring – Bob Dine

Bob stated the flooring project has commenced and the exedras should be completed by this weekend. All material is now on site. Services will be held in the Founders Walk on Sunday, June 26. Father Bill stated changes were made on the medallions.

Pews

Father Bill reported New Holland came onsite and took measurements. There will be another visit by New Holland to determine wheel chair designations and firm up where everything will be placed.

Repairs—Iconostasion— Dennis Dickos

No report.

Software Update—Matt Albean

No Report.

Building Fund Plaques—Father Bill

Father Bill stated 6 plaques will be re-tinted again. Two of the six plaques did not match. The Bardach Company picked the six plaques on 15 June to re-tint them, since they looked different.

Ten-Year Facilities Plan – Bob Dine

Bob Dine reported that Leon Pappas will take the lead on the mechanical equipment. Replacing components instead of equipment was discussed. George Baroudos will take the lead on maintenance issues while George Pappaioanou will look at cash flow analysis.

Repairs-uneven sidewalks & mold—Bob Dine

Bob Dine reported the company Concrete Surgeons will look at the sidewalks and make their recommendations. Bob will look into using spacers behind the plaques due to mold issues.

Roof Repairs – Bob Dine

Bob Dine reported the roof repairs came in at \$1,202 with a policy deductible of \$5,000. Discussion ensued regarding a letter received from insurance provider Mennonite Mutual which stated future claims will not be honored. It was noted a claim was not submitted due to damages less than the \$5,000 deductible. It was determined to have a legal representative review the letter and make a recommendation.

Old Risers--Father Bill

Father Bill reported Tim relayed there is adequate storage room for the old risers. However, we may consider selling them to help defray the costs of the new customized risers.

Greek School – Father Bill

Father Bill stated there were 6 graduates from the program. The graduates displayed a high degree of fluency. One individual has stepped up to direct the program next year and looking forward to another successful year!

Greekfest Aug 26-28—Julie Rowlas

Julie stated Greekfest will not pursue the drive-thru this year due to the excessive costs. Other options throughout the year may be considered.

Calendar Events

The Parish Organizational Calendar meeting is on Saturday, June 25. The possibility of hosting an IOCC event will be discussed. A cookout/picnic was discussed for Pentecost Sunday, June 4. A regular Gyro night throughout the year was discussed as well.

Miscellaneous

Gail Zeheralis reported that a new lease was entered into with the Montessori school with a 5% increase for next year.

Tracy Pappas led a discussion with the Leisure Timers earlier today.

A signed agreement was entered into with George Kordis to begin Phase 3 of the Iconography in January 2018.

Nick Saran moved to give Father Jarrod a monetary gift as his farewell gift. There was a second to the motion. There was opportunity for discussion. The motion was passed.

Irene Sarris moved to purchase new Priest vestments for Deacon Lucas. There was a second to the motion. There was opportunity for discussion. The motion was passed.

There will be an expanded coffee hour on July 24, as this will be Father Jarrod's last Sunday. Gail Zeheralis, Irene Sarris, Nick Dervenis, and Philoptochos will take the lead for this event.

Next Meeting – July 14, 2016

2016 Meetings – 11 August, 8 September, 13 October, 10 November, 8 December

Adjournment


Gail Zeheralis made a motion. "I move to adjourn the meeting." There was a second to the motion. There was an opportunity for discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved.

Father Jarrod closed the meeting with a prayer. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.



Nick Dervenis, Secretary

7-17-16
Date



Tracy Pappas, President

7-17-16
Date



Father Bill Bartz, Presiding Priest

26 JULY 2016
Date

**Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
Parish Council Meeting
June 26, 2016**

A special meeting of the Parish Council of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church was held on Sunday, June 26, 2016 at the church. President Tracy Pappas called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m. with Secretary Nick Dervenis present.

Clergy Present: Father Bill Bartz

Clergy Absent: Father Jarrod Russell

Members Present: Nick Dervenis, Dennis Dickos, Angelo Julovich, Steve Kollias, Tracy Pappas, Julie Rowlas, Nick Saran, Irene Sarris, Gail Zeheralis

Members Absent: Matt Albean, Greg Dickos, Bob Dine, George Pappaioanou, Nick Sofianopoulos

President Tracy Pappas stated that Holy Trinity has received a proposal from Huston Electrical to remove and reinstall speakers from the current poles to customized speaker mounts on columns. The total speaker reinstallation cost amounts to \$4,325.00. The discussion focused on whether or not to hold off for now and look into different options that may better suit our sound needs.

Dennis Dickos moved to hold off on the speaker installation proposal from Huston Electrical for now. There was a second to the motion. There was opportunity for discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved.

Adjournment

Gail Zeheralis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. There was a second to the motion. There was opportunity for discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15p.m.



Nick Dervenis, Secretary

7-14-16

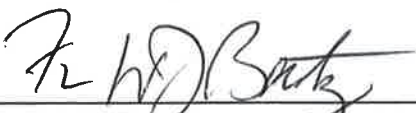
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Tracy Pappas, President

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Father Bill Bartz, Presiding Priest

14 JULY 2016

Date

