

**Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
Parish Council Meeting**

January 3, 2016, 12:00 p.m.

A special meeting of the Parish Council of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church was held on Sunday, January 3, 2016 at the Church. Father Bill Bartz called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. with Julie Rowlas acting as secretary.

Clergy Present: Father Bill Bartz

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

Members Absent: George Pappaioanou

Opening Prayer

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

Elections

Steve Kollias made a motion: "I nominate the following slate of officers serve the Parish in 2016:

President	Tracy Pappas
Vice President	Julie Rowlas
Secretary	Nick Dervenis
Treasurer	Nick Saran
Asst. Treasurer	Nick Sofianopoulos

There was a second to the motion. There was discussion. A vote was taken. The slate was approved.

Other Business

Steve Kollias made a motion: "I move that, in memory of Father Chris Hadgigeorge, Holy Trinity Parish send a check to the Holy Trinity Cathedral in Toledo for \$500 and send a floral arrangement with an approximate cost of \$200." There was a second to the motion. There was an opportunity for discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved.

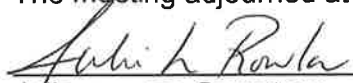
Next Meeting – January 21, 2016, 6:30 p.m.

2016 Meetings – 11 February, 10 March, 14 April, 12 May, 9 June, 14 July, 11 August, 8 September, 13 October, 10 November, 8 December

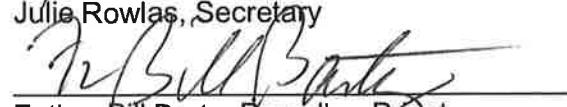
Adjournment

Nick Dervenis made a motion: "I move to adjourn the meeting." There was a second to the motion. There was discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.



Julie Rowlas, Secretary



Father Bill Bartz, Presiding Priest

1-21-16
Date

21 JAN 2016
Date

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
Parish Council Meeting
January 21, 2016, 6:30 p.m.

Prior to the meeting, Father Bill Bartz administered the affirmation of oath with George Pappaioanou.

A regular meeting of the Parish Council of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church was held on Thursday, January 21, 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: Matt Albean, Nick Dervenis, Dennis Dickos, Greg Dickos, Bob Dine, Angelo Julovich, George Pappaioanou, Tracy Pappas, Julie Rowlas, Irene Sarris, Nick Sofianopoulos, Gail Zeheralis

Members Absent: Steve Kollias, Nick Saran

Opening Prayer

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

Approval of the December 10 minutes

Irene Sarris made a motion: "I move to accept the minutes of the December 10 meeting." There was a second to the motion. There was an opportunity for discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved.

Approval of the January 3 minutes

Irene Sarris made a motion: "I move to accept the minutes of the January 3 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 Sofianopoulos presented the Treasurer's report including an overview of the balance sheet as of December 10, 2015 as follows:

PNC Operating Acct.	\$ 156,239.18
PNC Fundraising Acct.	\$ 21,799.87
PNC Designated Acct.	\$ 274,685.47
Schwab – Cash	\$ 119,783.50
PNC Building Fund	\$ 203,776.31
PNC Building Fund CD	\$ 0.00
Total Assets	<u>\$ 776,284.33</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 0.0</u>

There was discussion that the designated account included floor and pew donations.

Irene Sarris 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.

Stewardship Committee Report

Dennis Dickos presented the Stewardship Report.

2016 Stewardship as of 12/10/15	
Total Parishioners Pledged to-date	404
Total amount pledged to date	\$666,256.14
Total amount contributed to date	\$581,637.05
Total Unpaid balance to date	\$84,619.09

2015 Stewardship as of	
Number of parishioners pledged for 2015	426
Total amount pledged to date	\$585,524.53
Total amount contributed to date	\$576,442.86
Total Unpaid balance to date	\$ 8,881.67

Clergy Reports

Father Bill Bartz's Report

Since the December 10, 2015 Parish Council meeting, there have been two weekday Divine Liturgies, three Vespers Liturgies, one Sacrament of Baptism, and four Sacraments of Confession. There was also one funeral. Father Bill and Father Jarrod visited more than 20 shut-ins. Three pre-marriage sessions were conducted. There was one Church tour.

The Parish Christmas Party has become a highlight of the year with a large response from Parishioners. Only five Parish Council members were present which was awkward, especially since Parish Council was one of the three main coordinating organizations of this event. As publicly noted, the Parish community appreciates Tracy Pappas stepping forward and coordinating this immensely popular and successful evening.

The Church School offered the usual Christmas program in the Nave of the Church after the Divine Services on December 13. This program is so important, because it probably is the only opportunity that our youth see or participate in a program of the Birth of Jesus Christ.

Vasilopita Sunday was another success with the various organizations contributing \$3,030 to Saint Basil Academy. The Philoptochos offered a luncheon afterwards, enabling 170 Parishioners to enjoy a delicious luncheon together.

Father Bill participated at the funeral of Father Chris Hadgigeorge. His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas asked Father Bill to offer the final eulogy of the service, following the Metropolitan and the Presiding Priest. The family greatly appreciated HTC's expressions of sympathy during their loss.

Father Bill's annual trip to Washington DC in which he represented the Archdiocese as the Endorsing Agent was informative and important. These Conferences bring representatives from many faith groups together for discussion and awareness of Chaplaincy in the military and institutions, issues regarding the freedom of religion in the USA, and trends in the USA.

Sandy has created a Members' only section on the Parish website. Information can be included and accessed by those who are in good standing. Certain documents and resources could be hung in the Members' only section, such as the Parish Directory, saving the Parish the cost of printing and distributing for all Parishioners. The Parish Council should decide if this Members' only section should be activated.

On Tuesday, March 8, from 0900 – 1600, HTC is hosting an event for the Center for Congregations, who gave GOYA the \$23,000 grant.

Also, HTC has the opportunity to host clergy at an Ecumenical Breakfast on Wednesday, February 24, at 0830. Tony Filis has volunteered to prepare the meal. Father Bill would like HTC to host our guests.

On Monday, January 25, Father Bill will be having a medical procedure, causing him to remain home on Monday and possibly Tuesday.

Father Jarrod Russell's Report

Religious Education:

On Sunday, December 20, 2015, Father Jarrod visited the 5th and 6th grade class. Gary Martine and Chris Lafter taught the class. It was a well taught class, and the students were engaged with the material.

The next Church School visit is scheduled for Sunday, January 31.

The fifth and final session of the Adult Religious Education Series on the Divine Liturgy occurred on Wednesday, December 16, 2015. Twenty-four (24) people attended.

A survey was conducted at the conclusion of the class with twenty-two (22) people responding.

A second Adult Education Series called *Orthodoxy Explored* is being prepared and will be announced in the near future. This series, which will explore various aspects of the Orthodox faith, was planned based on the responses to the survey.

Youth Ministry Events:

At the Parish Christmas Party on Saturday, December 12, 2015, the Jr. High GOYAnS and Sr High GOYAnS organized crafts and games for the younger children. Positive feedback about their efforts was received.

The Jr. High GOYA and Sr High GOYA went Christmas Caroling on Saturday, December 19, 2015. They sang carols to the residents of Morningside of College Park and Sunrise Senior Living. Twenty-One (21) Jr. GOYAnS and GOYAnS attended along with six to eight parents. The residents of both facilities were greatly appreciative of our GOYAnS' efforts, and Presv. Janet sent a thank you note in response. After caroling, there was a gathering at the home of Demetri and Melinda Emmanoelides' home, which was attended by most of the GOYAnS.

Basketball:

Father Jarrod attended basketball practices on Sunday, December 13, 2015; Sunday, December 20, 2015; Sunday, January 10, 2016; and Sunday, January 17, 2016, all of which were well attended. The youth are prepared for and excited about the tournament in Dayton.

Orthodox Christian Fellowship:

The final IUPUI OCF meeting occurred on Monday, December 7, 2015. Neither Father Bill nor Father Jarrod were able to attend. Father David Wey chaired the meeting. The first meeting of 2016 is being scheduled.

REAL:

The College Student Christmas Break Reunion Dinner occurred on Monday, January 4, 2016, at Matt the Miller's Tavern. Eighteen college students attended the dinner. Positive responses were received both from the students and parents of the students. There was discussion about planning a College Student service event for the beginning of the summer.

Metropolis Youth Events:

The St. Nicholas Winter Youth Retreat occurred on January 16-17, 2016, in Lexington, KY at the parish of Holy Mother Queen of All. Over fifty youth and five priests were present on Saturday. Four youth and three advisors from Carmel were present. Father Jarrod was present on Saturday, January 16. The turnout was impressive, and the participants were enjoying themselves and very engaged with the programs, which included presentations by the clergy regarding the Divine Liturgy and icons.

Promotion of the St. Nicholas summer camp began last Sunday, January 17, with a save the date announcement in the bulletin. The camp will occur July 24-30, 2016.

The telephone conference with the Metropolis Youth Director to schedule Metropolis youth events for 2016-17 will now be conducted in February. This conference was originally going to be conducted in January.

Parish Council Committee Assignments and Reports***Rental of classrooms – Gail Zeheralis***

Gail presented that the Chinese group has decided against classroom rental due to not being ready to commit at this time.

Property donation – Julie Rowlas

Julie Rowlas reported that she sent an email to the landowner declining the gift per the Parish Council's previous direction.

Flooring – Bob Dine

Bob reported that conference calls are being scheduled with up to 4 contractors to review proposals and conduct due diligence. Bob felt by the end of February we should know final numbers and go to contract. He stated that targeting \$400,000 is realistic which would beat the original target figure of \$475,000. Tracy Pappas suggested establishing a committee for a plan to generate funds for both flooring and pews.

Pews (Choir Section) – Father Bill

Father Bill reported that His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas has requested pictures for review. Dennis Dickos stated that pew pricing is down due to changes made. Bob Dine suggested to send a letter of agreement to contractor New Holland to secure pricing and to sign our drafted contract. Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of adding another level for additional choir seating.

Christmas Party on 12 December – Tracy Pappas

Tracy reported a net profit of \$100. The party was well attended and was deemed a success.

Lighting for iconography – Bob Dine / Tony Filis

Tony Filis submitted a written report of the meeting with the consultants. Bob will follow up with the IMA consultant. Father Bill suggested installation prior to the flooring.

HVAC – Bob Dine

Bob suggested more heat in the exo-narthex with more of a controlled environment. Bob will look into improvement options.

Building fund plaques – update – Father Bill

Father Bill stated the six corrected plaques should be installed by the end of January. The cost will be less than \$7,000 which was less than originally proposed.

Ten-Year Facilities Plan – Bob Dine

Bob proposed a reserve replacement program to help identify and anticipate future costs which arise as the church is now 8 years old. Bob requested the possibility of a committee which would prepare an inventory of the church’s assets indicating life expectancy to help anticipate potential expenses.

Bylaws – Julie Rowles and Gail Zeheralis

Bylaws will be presented as submitted to the General Assembly in March.

Greekfest 26-28 August 2016

Tracy announced a Festival committee led by Marika Bagios, Tony Filis, and Mike Hendricks.

Miscellaneous

Holy Trinity will be hosting the District Oratorical on April 9th. Ahepa will be hosting their 85th District Convention at Holy Trinity on June 12th. Ahepa asked for Holy Trinity to place an ad in their ad book. It was decided Holy Trinity would place a \$100 ad in the book.

A Shelby computer program was discussed to help make the computer system easier for both Holy Trinity employees and parishioners. Tracy Pappas suggested a point person to investigate the feasibility.

Dennis Dickos suggested to look into property signage this year.

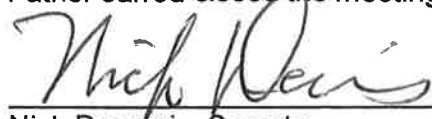
Next Meeting – February 11, 2016

2016 Meetings – 10 March, 14 April, 12 May, 9 June, 14 July, 11 August, 8 September, 13 October, 10 November, 8 December

Adjournment

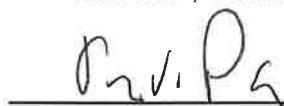
George Pappaioanou made a motion. “I move to adjourn the meeting.” There was a second to the motion. There was an opportunity for discussion. A vote was taken. The motion was approved.

Father Jarrod closed the meeting with a prayer. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.



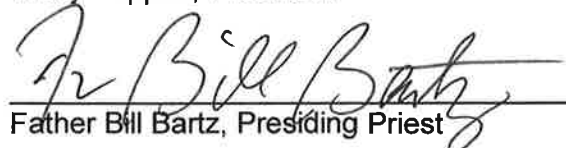
Nick Dervenis, Secretary

3-10-16
Date



Tracy Pappas, President

3-10-16
Date



Father Bill Bartz, Presiding Priest

10 MARCH 2016
Date

