

**PARISH GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
MONDAY DECEMBER 5, 2005 at 6:00pm**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 18, 2005**  
**TO: ALL SAINT SPYRIDON GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL - PARISHIONERS**  
**FROM: THE PARISH COUNCIL OF SAINT SPYRIDON GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL**

The Saint Spyridon Greek Orthodox Cathedral General Assembly will be held on Monday, December 5, at 6:00 p.m. in the Cotsidas Auditorium. All those who wish to participate in the voting must be a parishioner in Good Standing prior to call of the meeting. If you have any questions, please contact the office 508-791-7326.

**AGENDA:**

1. Election of a Chairperson
2. Approval of the June 21, 2005 General Assembly minutes
3. Priest's Report
4. President's Report
5. Committee Reports
6. Treasurer's Report – Including Budget Report and Approval
7. **NEW BUSINESS AGENDA MOTIONS:**

**I. Budget Motion**

- a. Motion to appropriate \$65,000 from the Grecian Festival account and \$65,000 from the Endowment Interest account to balance the 2006 deficit budget.
- b. Motion to approve the 2006 Operating Balanced Budget.

**II. By-Laws Stewardship Motions**

- c. Motion to replace section I of the Saint Spyridon Greek Orthodox Cathedral (SSGOC) local By-Laws as follows: Effective January 1, 2006 the Saint Spyridon Greek Orthodox Cathedral Christian stewardship program shall require a minimum of \$475.00 per family (including children under 21 years old and are students), \$325.00 per single individual (18 years and older), and \$325.00 per senior couple (either 65 years or older).
- d. Motion to delete Section X-13 (motion allows for partial payment of stewardship in lieu of full payment).
- e. Motion to Amend Section X-14 by adding: If electing to make scheduled payments in lieu of a single payment a 25% minimum of the total amount is due each quarter.

**III. By-Laws Appropriation of Funds Motion**

- f. Motion to Amend Section III -C as follows: The General Assembly shall not appropriate any funds unless the following are included in the call of the meeting; 1) the purpose for which said funds are to be spent, 2) a detailed budget with the amount to be appropriated, and 3) the source of the funds.

**IV. AHEPA Lease Motion**

Motion to approve a new lease with the AHEPA for use of the 68 Cedar Street Cathedral property which expired on April 10, 1998. The terms of the lease are as follows: *(please see attached Appendix A for historical reference)*

- g. Saint Spyridon shall renew the lease for 20 years from the date of the expiration of the initial lease which expired on April 10, 1998. (The expiration of the new lease will be April 10, 2018).

- h. The AHEPA will pay an annual lease fee of: \$ 3,000. The first lease payment will be due on April 10, 2006. The lease fee will be paid annually due on the anniversary date of the lease. The lease fee will be reviewed every 5 years. Beginning with the first review on April 10, 2007.
- i. The AHEPA will continue to make their Building available to the retired and elder members of St. Spyridon Community on a regular basis at no financial obligation to the Cathedral.
- j. That in the event Saint Spyridon needs the land on which the AHEPA home was built (68 Cedar Street), the AHEPA would either move their home to another site or tear down the AHEPA Home. The Cathedral would be required to give the AHEPA advance written notice of at least 12 months that the church requires their land for their use.
- k. Should Saint Spyridon require the land to place a new building, (e.g. for a Family Center, Gymnasium, School) Saint Spyridon would provide building space equal or better amenities to what is presently used by the AHEPA approx 4000 square feet within the new structure.
- l. In the event the Cathedral decides to sell the land on which the AHEPA Home was built, the AHEPA would have an option of first refusal.
- m. The AHEPA shall not have the right to sublease or sell said property.
- n. In the event the AHEPA abandons the building said building would revert to the Cathedral.

V. Building Committee Motion

Motion to amend the Family Center Building Fund motion approved by the General Assembly in September 2004. The approved motion reads: *Motion to establish a Family Center Building Fund. All proceeds from events, donations, gifts, and grants for the Family Center Building Fund shall be designated for this building project and placed into the Family Center Building Fund. The Fund shall only be used for the express purpose of building the Family Center project, which may also include renovations or alterations to the existing facilities. The Parish Council shall establish an annual budget to be submitted and approved by the GA. All excess funds shall be invested in accordance with the Investment Committee By-laws. If groundbreaking of the Family Center Building has not begun prior to December 31, 2015, all remaining funds shall be reallocated to the principal of the Endowment Fund.* This amendment is to change the last line to read: *If groundbreaking of the Family Center Building has not begun prior to December 31, 2015, all remaining funds shall remain in the Building Fund account and to be used only for the building of a Family Center Project.*

- 8. New Business Items
- 9. New Business: Date of Fall Assembly

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

THE GOYA WILL BE PROVIDING BABY SITTING SERVICES FOR ALL PARISHIONERS ATTENDING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. PIZZA REFRESHMENTS, MOVIES AND GAMES WILL BE HELD UNDER THE CATHEDRAL DURING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

SAINT SPYRIDON CATHEDRAL PARISH COUNCIL