

Final per General Assembly, 11/10/02

ST. SPYRIDON GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL - GENERAL ASSEMBLY
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2001

The General Assembly was called to order at 12:30 p.m. with an opening prayer, with 36 people in attendance.

Election of a Chairperson - Demitrios Moschos was elected as Chairperson for the General Assembly.

Approval of previous General Assembly minutes - Nick Petralias motioned to approve previous 06/24/01 minutes, as well as 12/10/00 special General Assembly. Chris Lekas 2nd the motion.

Review of implementation of motions made at the 06/24/01 General Assembly: All motions were implemented from 06/24/01 minutes.

Priest's Report - Fr. Dean is unable to attend today due to Sacraments to be performed.

Treasurer's Report - Archdiocese stewardship was discussed (in arrears). Steve Maminakis stated the need for a 2nd priest in our community and perhaps then we may be able to raise stewardship funds.

The Parish Council shall look into an insurance rider policy to add a float for the Greek Independence Day Parade so as to have proper/necessary coverage.

Demitrios Moschos, Chairman, accepted motions to be offered directly to the budget item #'s 6, a & b, and #10, a, a1, & b, which are as follows:

6. Treasurer's Report.
 - a. Presentation and approval of the Fiscal Year 2002 Budget;
 - b. Proposed deficit to be covered with appropriations from the following accounts:
 - \$40,000 from the Endowment Fund Interest Income
 - \$16,000 from the Bellos Memorial Fund
 - \$19,915 from the Grecian Festival Account
 - \$75,915

10. NEW BUSINESS AGENDA MOTIONS:

- a. Parish Council moves to include the Bookstore Account in the 2002 annual Budget and fund this account with a \$5,000 allocation;
- a1. Also, move that the appropriation of the \$2,500 at the Spring, 2001 General Assembly be included in the 2001 Fiscal Year Budgeted Receipts and Disbursements of the Bookstore as of 06/30/01;

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- b. Parish Council moves that the annual Golf Tournament be funded from the Grecian Festival account, with a requested budget of \$10,000;

Michael Christakis made a motion to amend the Religious Education budget; that it be increased to \$3,000.00. Steve Maminakis 2nd the motion. Treasurer stated that \$1,000 increase be funded from the Grecian Festival fund.

Noted: Chris Lekas questioned the total deficit of \$75,915 (shown on budget sheets) be funded from the Endowment fund interest income to balance. Dino stated this is typo (corrected - should state that the deficit is being balanced from a combination of Endowment fund, Bellos Memorial fund, and Grecian Festival funds).

Noted: Via answer to a question - The Endowment fund is earning between 6 and 8%.

Motion to fund a portion of budget deficit with Endowment fund of \$40,000 2nd by Nick Petralias. George Fotiades made motion for funding a 2nd portion of the remaining deficit with \$16,000 from Bellos' Fund; 2nd by Charles Fotos and motion passed. Steve Maminakis moved in favor of funding last portion of deficit with \$20,915 from the Grecian Festival; 2nd by Nick Petralias and motion passed. Noted: the original amount of \$19,915 has been increased by \$1,000 as an additional budget disbursement for the Religious Education budget).

New Business Agenda Motion - topics were presented out of numerical order - discussion and/or necessary motion as follows:

- a. Parish Council moves to include the Bookstore Account in the 2002 annual Budget and fund this account with a \$5,000 allocation. Motion made to eliminate Bookstore revolving account. The "yes" votes have it - motion passed.
- a1. Also, move that the appropriation of the \$2,500 at the Spring, 2001 General Assembly be included in the 2001 Fiscal Year Budgeted Receipts and Disbursements of the Bookstore as of 06/30/01; Nick Petralias 2nd the motion and it passed.
- b. Parish Council moves that the annual Golf Tournament be funded from the Grecian Festival account, with a requested budget of \$10,000; Chris Lekas 2nd the motion and it passed.

Budget was adopted as amended and passed.

Audit Committee - Nick Petralias motioned to accept the following as Audit Committee for 2002 - nominated by Charles Fotos; 2nd by Chris Lekas - James Bazoukas, Loukia Bit-

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zas, George Fotiades, Christos Kyriakis, Arthur Mallios, Al Matulaitis, Nick Moudios, Charles Fotos.

Election Committee - Charles Fotos nominated the 2002 Election Committee members - Nick Moudios, Chris Lekas (declined), George Fotiades, Charles Fotos, Al Matulaitis, James Bazoukas, Arthur Mallios.

General Assembly appointed Stewardship Committee - Recommendations were made for the members to be on Stewardship Committee - Jim Pialtos, Charles Fotos, Mike Dionis. Also noted by Charles Gantias and Dino that non-Parish Council members be elected as well.

Dino recommended George Fotiades, Steve Maminakis, and Mike Christakis, along with Manny Miliias.

Also noted by George Fotiades is the need for 1) commitment (by elected members), and 2) longevity/continuity (of members); 3-year minimum.

D. Moschos gave the opinion that this General Assembly appointed committee was out of order.

Chris Lekas motioned to have the following item placed on the agenda - A complete review of our Stewardship program. To elect a committee to recommend corrective changes, and if necessary, recommend alternative programs.

Steve Maminakis motioned to have an advisory committee to review the Stewardship program of St. Spyridon Cathedral and report back to the spring General Assembly. Review committee for Stewardship: Nick Petralias made motion, Charles Fotos 2nd motion for: James Pialtos, Steve Maminakis, Aris Felis, Nick Moudios, George Fotiades, Charles Fotos, Manny Miliias, Arthur Lagadinos, Chris Dionis, Fr. Dean, Mike Dionis, Michael Christakis.

New Business Agenda Motion - topic presented out of numerical order - discussion and/or necessary motion as follows:

10c. Michael Christakis spoke about the need to change the definition of individual membership to family membership.

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A resolution of the General Assembly that when there is a contribution from the family, the family members will be deemed individual members for all purposes (i.e. husband, wife, and children 18-21). George Fotiades moved an amendment to remove from the above motion children 18-21.

Resolution: Amendment to strike children from defined "Family Membership". Resolution passed as amended to have family membership include husband/wife only.

Discussion for the election of Parish Council members - Stu Paskalis discussed perhaps having a nominating committee to actively seek future Parish Council members (to be elected).

Steve Maminakis made a motion that in 2003 the Parish Council membership shall consist of 11 members instead of the current 15. Charlie Ganias 2nd the motion. Steve elaborated that years ago we had 9 members - however, today, we have a void in not only interest but also in the number of potential candidates. George Fotiades noted that the current 2 and 3-year program should run for some time before we make a change.

George Fotiades moved to table the item of reduction of Parish Council members. Motion passed to table item.

At this time, a requested motion was made to have the Parish Council appoint a search committee for the annual Parish Council board elections.

A motion was made by George Fotiades to have Parish Council choose the next General Assembly date; 2nd by Jim Paltos. Next General Assembly will be determined by the Parish Council.

George Fotiades motioned that the parish priest and the Parish Council meet and establish guidelines for the expenditure of the visiting clergy funds.

Steve Maminakis asked the Parish Council to ask for a reduction in quorum for future G/A meetings.

Aris Felis motioned to adjourn the General Assembly at 3:08 p.m., and it was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paraskevi Helali

Paraskevi Helali, Recording Secretary