

Dormition of the Theotokos Orthodox Church
Parish Council Meeting
January 19, 2013 REVISED

The following Council members were present: Fr. John Cox, Kris Carlson, Meg Downing, Jim Kalembe, Karl Rusnak, Ruth Cornwell, Andrew Nelko and Mark Mills.

1. Opening Prayer
2. Review of Prior Meeting Minutes
 - a. Minutes from the December 15, 2013 Parish Council Meeting were approved as amended.
3. Financial Report
 - a. Discussed the adjustments that were made to the records during annual reconciliation.
 - b. Financial activity for the year continued to track to plan.
 - c. The December Financial Report was accepted as presented.
 - d. A special thank you was extended to Karl for his hard work as treasurer over the past several years.
4. Father John's Report
 - a. Fr. John has been invited by St. John of the Ladder in Greenville, SC to lead a retreat for their teens April 4-7. In conjunction Fr. John may do a meeting with the Furman OCF.
 - b. During the weekend of The Cross, a lecture on Alaskan saints will be conducted on Saturday at the church.
 - c. The new holy water font has been received.
 - d. No firm dates for when wooden crosses will be completed.
5. Growth & Development
 - a. New Facility Activity
 - i. Diocese is increasing their support for growing parishes.
 - ii. We need to better understand how much financial support the Diocese is willing to provide to Dormition.
 - b. Council to consider creating a building committee to remove responsibility from Church Council. (Agenda item for February Council meeting.)
6. Religious Education
 - a. School Leader
 - i. There are 2 candidates for the middle school age children but none for younger children.
 - ii. Fr. John continues to look for candidates.
7. Old Business
 - a. Annual Meeting Preparation
 - i. Financial report – use Kinkos to produce copies for meeting.
 - b. Nominating Committee

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- i. Currently, there are 3 candidates.
 - ii. Committee to reach out to a few other potential candidates prior to the Parish meeting.
 - c. Frame “epitaphia” of the Virgin Mary
 - i. Activity has been placed on hold until 2014.
 - d. Providing Church Council Meeting Minutes to Parishioners
 - i. This process still needs to be implemented.
- 8. New Business
 - a. Nicene Creed
 - i. Council discussed whether the Creed should be sung or read.
 - ii. This topic needs further discussion before any change is made.
- 9. Next Council Meeting
 - a. Scheduled for Sunday, 2/16/14.
- 10. Closing Prayer / Adjournment