

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church
Parish Assembly Minutes (Not approved)
November 20, 2022

The St. Nicholas Parish annual assembly opened with prayer.

The 55 parishioners in attendance provided a quorum for the meeting. Clergy in attendance were:

- Fr. John Karcher
- Fr. David Lowell
- Dn. Igor Beskorovaynyyy

Bob Cooke moved to accept minutes from last year's meeting. Elaine Lowell seconded. Unanimous.

Fr. John Karcher gave the priest's report, incorporated by reference.

Janet Frazier gave the elder's report, incorporated by reference. In addition, Janet encouraged parishioners to volunteer for lunch preparation. She said individual parishioners who wish to help can join a group to spread the work. See Janet for more information.

Brian Edwards reported on education for middle and high school, report incorporated by reference. Those students meet the first Sunday of each month.

Tracey Edson gave the choir director's report (no written report). The choir is working on recovering knowledge and skills lost during Covid, as well as to bring in new members. A choir luncheon in early November honored singers

and named Helen Hartung as choir director emerita for her long service. As part of honoring her, the parish dedicated the choir room to her. Tracey has been providing lectures on feast hymnography on certain Saturdays. About a dozen have turned out for each lecture.

Jennifer McDonald gave the St. Elizabeth Ministry report, incorporated by reference.

Cheryl Wilson gave the charities report, incorporated by reference.

Joe Ediger gave the treasurer's report. The financial statement and Treasurer's report are included by reference.

Joe also gave a report on the St. Martin Committee. At the Metropolitan's request, the parish donated \$10,000 from the fund for Ukrainian refugee relief. The fund balance dropped to approximately \$90k because of the stock market drop. We will wait until the balance goes up again before spending more.

Fr. David Lowe moved to accept the budget. Bob Cook seconded. Unanimous.

Fr. David Lowell moved to update bank signatories each year at annual assembly. Bob Cook seconded. If we do this every year, the information will be easy to find. **The signatories for 2023 are Fr. John Karcher, Janet Frazier, and Lori Dones.**

Elections for Parish Council were held. Here are the results:

- Cheryl Wilson (three-year term)
- Radoslav Toloev (three years, possibly one year)

- Barbara Eng (one-year alternate term)

Members whose terms are ending:

- Amy Lines
- Joe Ediger

Other members whose terms continue:

- Bobby Borisov (ends 2023)
- Jan Bear (ends 2023)
- Janet Frazier (ends 2024)
- Tim Moore (ends 2024)

Matushka Elaine Lowell moved to accept the slate of parish council members; Randy Jackson seconded. Unanimous.

Lay diocesan delegates were chosen for the Diocese of the West assembly:

- Jennifer McDonald
- Cheri Wilson
- Patricia (Seraphima) Green

Bob Cook moved to adjourn the meeting, and Matushka Elaine Lowell seconded.

The meeting adjourned with prayer.

Jan Bear