

**Saint Anne Orthodox Church
560 Oak Ridge Turnpike
Oak Ridge, TN 37830-7164**

**Parish Council Meeting Minutes
February 27, 2010**

Present:	Lawrence Segrest	Ed Stickle
	Marc Lambo	Iulian Apostoaei
	Ted Karas	Beth Freeman (Secretary)
	Jeff Romanczuk	
Absent	Fr. Stephen Freeman, Rector	Nancy Caldwell

A quorum being present, the Parish Council meeting commenced at 12:10 p.m. with singing “O Heavenly King.”

Fr. Stephen was unable to be present, as he traveled to Clarksville, TN, for a meeting with the priest and council of the mission.

The minutes of the January 2010 Parish Council Meeting were distributed. It was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved. The motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report

The reports for January 2010 were distributed:

- Income and Expenses – Actual vs. Budget for Selected Accounts, 1/1/10 – 1/31/10
- 2010 Projected Budget –with higher loan payment (revised. 1/31/2010)
- 2010 Projected Budget –with higher loan payment (revised. 2/27/2010)
- Balance Sheet – Actual for Selected Accounts as of 1/31/10

In January, St. Anne’s had less income than budgeted (\$7,591 as opposed to \$11,967.33). Expenses exceeded income by \$3,499.01 for the month of January. However, there were fewer expenses than budgeted (\$619.74 less than expected).

A motion was made that the Bishop’s Reception fund (as listed on the Balance Sheet for Selected Accounts) be renamed the Metropolitan’s Reception fund. The motion carried.

Council discussed briefly the possible problems associated with “electronic funds transfer” donations, when the transfer does not have an identifier for the donor, and the ramifications for the accounting with the audit committee. Council will consider and discuss further at next month’s meeting.

It was moved and seconded to accept the Treasurer’s Report. The motion carried.

Terms of Office for Parish Council Members

The terms of office for Parish Council members, which this year will be staggered one- and two-year terms, were determined by the drawing of straws.

The Council members serving two-year terms will be:

Nancy Caldwell, Ted Karas, and Jeff Romanczuk.

Council members serving one-year terms will be:

Iulian Apostoaei, Marc Lambo, Lawrence Segrest, and Ed Stickle.

Rector's Report

The Rector's Report was filed by title in Fr. Stephen's absence (attached).

Old Business

Council noted as a matter of record that the bookstore audit for accountability was to be submitted to Parish Council once a year, and that this audit was still to be done in 2010.

Council elected officers for the year 2010:

Warden/President of Council: Marc Lambo
Junior Warden: Lawrence Segrest
Treasurer: Ed Stickle
Assistant Treasurer: Iulian Apostoaei

As a non-binding resolution, Parish Council voted to waive any stipulation in the by-laws that might restrict M Beth Freeman from acting as recording secretary for the Council.

Ted Karas distributed a list of the 2009 appropriations from the Outreach Fund for the consideration of Council and the Budget Committee in setting recommended percentages for Outreach giving in 2010.

Ted Karas mentioned that he had asked two local woodworkers for quotes on doors for the church. He suggested that any other possible sources for doors be contacted and quotes be made available so that a decision can be made for a purchase.

Jeff Romanczuk distributed a list of the Audit Committee suggestions, with a request that Council members prioritize the list as to which recommendations should be implemented first. Members were requested to return the list to him so that he could report to Council at the next meeting.

There being no other regular business, the meeting adjourned with singing 'It is Truly Meet.'

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Rector's Report - February 2010

We made a good beginning of Lent this year - and with the support of choir and many others offered the full round of services for its beginning.

I traveled to Cleveland, OH, and was well-received by the Orthodox community there - and was honored to have been invited as their speaker for the Sunday of Orthodoxy. On reflection, I think I will make a policy of not traveling during Great Lent in subsequent years (emergencies excepted).

I am today (speaking of emergencies) in Clarksville, TN, at the mission of the Protection of the Holy Virgin, and am again in gratitude for Fr. Deacon Kevin for his willingness to take services for us.

I had a flare up with a herniated disc this month which hindered my work for a week or so. I've been taking medication and am currently receiving physical therapy. All of that is progressing well.

I have set Saturday, March 27, as the date for the Baptism of our two catechumens (it's Lazarus Saturday). We will be making preparations for that event as it draws near.

We move forward on details of the Metropolitan's visit in April. It will definitely include a Friday, on which we will have a couple of OCF events at UT campus - by Vladyka's request.

We have much to do with this new parish council. We will be moving forward on the project for the beauty of the Church (hoping to move forward on new doors as soon as possible).

I am deeply grateful for the foundation of volunteers that has been established in this last year and hope we can grow this considerably this year. Lynne Attaway has sent out an email to start discussion on yard work and gardens that looks very good.

I thank you for your support and look forward to a normal schedule shortly and working with all of you in this year.