Dormition of the Theotokos Orthodox Church Parish Council Meeting January 18, 2014

The following Council members were present: Fr. John Cox, Kris Carlson, Karl Rusnak, Adale Martin, Ben Andrus, Michelle Grasos and Jim Kalemba.

- 1. Opening Prayer
- 2. Review of Prior Meeting Minutes
 - a. December Parish Council Meeting minutes accepted as submitted.
- 3. Financial Report
 - a. Key Points From December Report:
 - i. Income deficit for 2014 is \$12,422.
 - ii. 2014 audit has been completed. No significant issues or discrepancies identified. Results to be discussed at the upcoming Annual Meeting.
 - iii. Transferred the remaining \$3,000 Diocesan grant money to the parish accounts.
 - iv. December financial report accepted as presented.
 - b. 2015 Budget
 - i. No changes were recommended to the latest version of the budget.
 - ii. Final version of the 2015 budget is \$88,279.
 - iii. The Council agrees with treasurer to present this version of the budget to the parish at the 2015 Annual Meeting.
- 4. Father John's Report
 - a. Outreach No updates this month.
 - b. OCF
 - i. Restarted weekly meetings for this semester.
 - ii. Bible study to be part of Thursday meetings.
 - c. Fr. John will be giving 3 presentations at a retreat to be held at the College of William & Mary on February 7 & 8.
 - d. Special Assembly for Diocese of the South
 - i. Fr. John will attend the Special Assembly in Miami Lakes, FL from February 15-18.
 - ii. Main purpose of event is to elect new Bishop for Diocese of the South.
 - e. All American Council
 - i. Fr. John will attend the AAC in Atlanta, GA from July 20-24.
 - ii. Lay delegate could attend but would have to pay own travel & expenses. (Offer to be made to the parish at the Parish Annual Meeting.)
 - f. OCA Pension Plan
 - i. No update this month.

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5. Growth & Development

- a. 3156 Holland Road Property
 - i. Provided Work Program Architects (WPA) with the drawings from the previous owners of the property. Next step is for WPA to solicit estimates from engineering firms for the additional drawing work that needs to be completed.
 - ii. A sample promissory note has been created for the friendly loans.
 - iii. Determined that funds from IRA cannot be used for friendly loans.
 - iv. Need to start soliciting church friendly loans.

6. Religious Education

- a. Adult Education
 - i. Orthodoxy 101 to start in March.
- b. Church School
 - i. Calendar has been set for balance of school year. (No school planned for the summer.)
 - ii. Further discussions are needed for the mini-camp during Holy Week.

7. Old Business

- a. Church Council Nominations for 2015
 - i. Need 2 candidates; 1 for one-year term and 1 for a two-year term.
 - ii. No candidates have been approached yet.

8. New Business

- a. Annual Meeting
 - i. Discussed some small edits to the agenda.
- 9. Next Council Meeting
 - a. February 15, 2015
- 10. Closing Prayer / Adjournment