

**ARCHANGEL GABRIEL CREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Father Fred Foundation, 826 Hastings Street, Traverse City, MI 49686
February 16, 2010
Minutes**

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m.

Opening Prayer:

Karen Kain led the assembled in the opening prayer.

Members Present: Father Iakovos, Andy Foster, Karen Kain, Doug Partlo, Theresa Patterson, Nikki Sobkowski (electronically), Bob Underwood (electronically), and Judy Weston.

Guests present: Dennis Stavros and Robert Fickling.

Approval of the Minutes:

A motion by Nikki Sobkowski, seconded by Theresa Patterson to accept the minutes as presented with typographical errors corrected. Motion passed unanimously.

Program Requests:

Choir Rehearsals - Approved

Host a Movie Night, Men's Club - Not Approved

Snowshoeing at Sleeping Bear, Men's Group - Approved

Stork Drive, Philoptochos - Approved

Palm Sunday Dinner, Philoptochos - Recommend revisit the cost.

*Three Other Dinners, Philoptochos - Recommend revisit the cost and one should be
Archangel Gabriel Feast Day, July 18, 2010.*

*Festival of Flowers, Philoptochos - Metropolis sponsored event. Does not need
approval.*

Garage Sale, Philoptochos - Approved

Back to School, Philoptochos - Suggested to partner with the Sunrise Rotary.

Thanksgiving Dinner - Approved

Financial Reports:

Mr. Partlo went over all of the financial reports to date. There was no discussion.

Other Reports:

Reports from the Men's Group, Stewardship, Education, Philoptochos and Website Statistics were emailed to members prior to the meeting. There was no discussion.

New Business:

Father Iakovos reported that the Clergy Laity conference will be held July 4 - July 8, 2010 in Atlanta, Georgia. He feels that it is just too costly and is not planning on attending.

Parish Council Meeting, February 16, 2010 (Continued)

Pascha Schedule:

It was the consensus of those present to let Father Iakovos set the schedule as he did last year.

Pascha Flowers:

It was the consensus of those present to ask Helen Knapp to chair this endeavor along with a special collection for flowers.

Father Iakovos to be Absent:

Father will be at a Retreat in Troy, Michigan on March 9, 2010. He will also be doing a presentation in Memphis, Tennessee on March 24 & 25, 2010.

Parish Council Meeting Dates:

A motion by Judy Weston, seconded by Doug Partlo to establish our meeting nights to be the third Tuesday of the month. Motion passed unanimously.

Parish Council Opening:

A motion by Andy Foster, seconded by Doug Partlo to offer the remaining months of John Batsakis term to Doug Hadley, 1st and Steve Bemis, 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Closed Session:

Guests were ask to leave while the council discussed an open confidential matter.

After a closing prayer, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Judith Weston