

HOLY WISDOM OCA Mission Parish Council- Minutes		
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Place:	Holy Wisdom Mission - GJ, CO In Person	
Date/Time:		28-Sep-22
In attendance:	Fr Benjamin Huggins, Fr. Luke Uhl, Anastasia Bowman, Monica Kostron, Janet Gatseos, Michael George, Karen Kopanos, Heidi Bryant	
Agenda Item	Discussion	
1. Opening Prayer	Fr.Benjamin and Fr Luke	Fr. Benjamin
2. Rector's Report	Fr Benjamin is intending to increase his presence in the parish at least for Paraklesis once a month. He will be here to attend Paraklesis and then be available to visit informally with parishioners present Oct 5th or 19th.	Fr. Benjamin
3. Approve Minutes	The 18 Aug 2022 minutes were emailed to the PC membership prior to the meeting for review. Motion presented to approve these minutes - Janet G. , second- Mike G. Motion for approval carried by all in attendance, no dissent.	Anastasia B.
4. Treasurer's Report	Cash on hand \$40176.91, up from Aug mtg \$6748.65. Monica sent the Financial Report, attached. This will be a good guide for 2023 budget development. Discussion around the expense of the candles. Agreed the annual meeting would be a good time to provide some education on rising costs and the importance of stewardship.	Monica K.
4. a. PayPal -	Needs some tweaking but Monica requests to table until next month.	Fr. Luke
5. OLD BUSINESS		
5.a. Iconostasis	Todd has been out of town on the weekends working on another project but that is ending shortly. He intends to hit it hard and complete the iconostasis.	Fr. Luke
5.b. Bookstore	Bookstudy books are in. There are a couple of extras of each option Fr. Luke had provided.	Anastasia B.
5.c. Fellowship Hour	Current system working well including regularizing priest blessing prior to indulging.	Anastasia B
5.d. Community Outreach	Nativity Fast charity outreach - Anastasia suggested Pregnancy Center as an option following a recent presentation she attended. It is a Christian based program that provides support for pregnant women and infants. They have served more than 1000 women so far this year. A motion for Pregnancy Center as parish charity for 2022 Nativity fast - Mike G, second Janet G. Motion carried, no dissent. Food bank collections continue. City Market - close to setting this up - major IT issues. They need a mission statement. Fr Luke drafted one for Fr. Benjamins reviewed and approved.	Monica K
5.e. Parish Growth & Development	Sentinel church directory comes out each Saturday. There are no other Orthodox churches currently listed in it. Proposal is that we trial this. Suggestions in reviewing proof is to change Heading from Orthodox to Orthodox Christian. They will do a mock up. Monica suggested perhaps a 3 month trial. Motion to do this -Mike G, Karen K. - 2nd. Motion carried - no dissent. Pricing - see attached. Sandwich board signs which was suggested by our bishop last August on his visit to the parish. We would place - 4th & Kennedy & North & 4th, - see attachment - purchase 2 signs - motion Monica and second by Heidi. Motion carried, no dissent.	
5.f. Fall Book Study	The topic is the Divine Liturgy with several options for reading material. Off site has been blessed by Fr. B. Four Winds has been suggested as a trial. Anastasia will reserve room for next Thursday.	
6. NEW BUSINESS		Fr. Luke
6.a. Service Calendars	Correction on Sept calendar for date of PC meeting in Oct and Nov. Fr Benjamin approved.	
6.b. Archbishop's Visit -	Nov 26th & 27th. When to have parish wide dinner? Does the PC have a meeting/meal with him. Virtual discussion on these and other things.	

6.c. Parish Calendars - St Tikhon's	PC members agree to purchase one calendar per membership household but will have some extra available for purchase if more copies are desired. There was a short discussion on how many to purchase. Anastasia will research cost and volume discount vs mailing costs, etc.	
6.d. Project Mexico	There is a possibility for any of our interested parishioners to join a larger group in Colorado - Jun 16th - 21st 2023, not including travel time. Fr Luke will announce this opportunity to the parish and to let him know if any of our parishioners want to participate. St. Andrews may also be taking a team down and an earlier time in 2023 and it is possible those interested from Holy Wisdom could join that group. It is a rustic camping experience - tents, sleeping bags, etc. CLOSED Agenda Item	
7. Meeting Closed	Motion to adjourn -Karen K.; second- Mike G ; motion carried by all with no dissent. Closed at 1950	
8. Next Meeting:	10/20/2022 @ 1830 (6:30 PM)	
9. Minutes recorded by:	Anastasia Bowman	
10. Signature of Approval (meeting chair)	Fr. Benjamin Huggins	
11. Signature of Approval (Secretary)		