

**MISSION STATION OF THE HOLY LADY OF VLADIMIR
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS
SUNDAY 22 JANUARY 2012
AFTERFEAST OF THE HOLY THEOPHANY**

Present: His Grace Bishop Irénée, Subdeacon Arthur Anastasiadi, Subdeacon David Bell, Reader Ivan Saika-Voivod, Igor Zakharov, Adrian Dobre, Alina Baciú, Sandu Baciú, Josephine Anastasiadi, Teodora Koronka, Marina Brewer, Mariya Lesiv, Brian Cherwick, Jennifer Hartmann, Nicholas Hartmann

The Meeting was called to order at 1 pm after prayers, blessing, and lunch.

1. Annual General Meeting and Election of Officers, 13 February 2011.

There was no business arising from the Minutes of last years Annual General Meeting and Election of Officers.

2. President's Report.

2.a There are at present seventeen official members of the Mission Station in good standing. Unfortunately, in the course of 2011, eight members left to take up occupations elsewhere. We are happy, however, to welcome a number of new members (and new-born members) to the Mission Station.

2.b In the course of the last year there have been a number of visiting priests: Fr David Edwards, Fr Silouan, Fr Cyprian, and Fr Theodore have all visited St John's and served the Divine Liturgy. These visits accounted for about ten Sunday Liturgies. There remains a need, however, for a permanent priest in St John's, and His Grace Bishop Irénée had some suggestions on this matter. He will provide us with further information as it becomes available. As it is, the position was initially offered to Fr David Edwards, but health problems have prevented him from taking the matter further. The position was then offered to Fr Silouan, who was formally appointed by the Archdiocese. Fr Silouan visited the Mission Station for Pascha 2011 and again in the Summer, but after these visits it was not unanimously agreed that Fr Silouan would be the right parish priest for the Mission Station. There were, in addition, difficulties with his moving to St John's. Fr Silouan will not, therefore, be coming to the Mission Station as parish priest. At present he is serving two Greek parishes near Montreal, and the members of the Mission Station wish him well.

Acceptance of the President's Report was moved by Reader Ivan, seconded by Subdeacon David, and carried unanimously.

3. Treasurer's Report.

In the absence of an official Treasurer (Stephen Wiseman having relocated to Calgary in December) the Treasurer's Report was presented by Reader Ivan (President). The report is attached to these Minutes.

3.a The President reported that, in the absence of a Treasurer, the offerings on the collection plate have been recorded by Nic Hartmann, together with a scrutineer. Last year, the Mission Station books were audited by Dave Piercey, but he too has moved away, and the President asked Adrian Dobre if he would examine the books. Adrian was kind enough to agree to this and his report will be found attached to these Minutes in the proper place.

3.b In the past there has been a fund for the purchase of an Epitaphion which at present contains \$260. Now, however, we have two Epitaphions: one was made and donated by Fr Silouan, the other was made by Kathryn Piercey's aunt (who is a nun) and donated to the Mission Station by Kathryn. The \$260 should therefore go either to Fr Silouan or be merged with the Building Fund. It was agreed that any decision on this matter should be postponed until we hear from His Grace Bishop Irénée who will speak to Fr Silouan.

Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report was moved by Reader Ivan, seconded by Adrian Dobre, and carried unanimously.

4. Auditor's Report.

Adrian Dobre presented the Auditor's Report, which is attached to these Minutes. His conclusion was that "I cannot identify any areas of concern with the financial summaries reported by the Mission Directors." He did suggest, however, that the Mission Station needs to keep a more comprehensive account of the monetary expenses associated with visiting priests.

Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report was moved by Adrian, seconded by Reader Ivan, and carried unanimously.

5. Election of Officers.

All positions being now automatically null and void, elections were held for the posts of President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Social Secretary.

5.a For President.

Adrian nominated Reader Ivan (seconded by Subdeacon David), who agreed to the nomination. Josephine Anastasiadi nominated Subdeacon Arthur, who declined the nomination. There being no further nominations from the floor, Reader Ivan was declared elected by acclamation.

5.b For Vice-President.

Teodora Koronka nominated Nic Hartmann (seconded by Sandu Baciú), who agreed to the nomination. Reader Ivan nominated Subdeacon Arthur (seconded by Josephine Anastasiadi), who also agreed to the nomination. There being no further nominations from the floor, Subdeacon David (with scrutineer Reader Ivan) conducted a secret ballot of all members of the Mission Station in good standing. As a result, Subdeacon Arthur was declared elected to the post of Vice-President.

5.c For Treasurer.

Subdeacon David nominated Adrian Dobre (seconded by Teodora Koronka), who agreed to the nomination. Subdeacon Arthur nominated Nic Hartmann (seconded by Josephine Anastasiadi), who also agreed to the nomination. There being no further nominations from the floor, Subdeacon David (with scrutineer Reader Ivan) conducted a secret ballot of all members of the Mission Station in good standing. As a result, Adrian Dobre was declared elected to the post of Vice-President.

5.d For Secretary.

Bishop Irénée nominated Subdeacon David (seconded by Reader Ivan), who agreed to the nomination. There being no further nominations from the floor, Subdeacon David was declared elected by acclamation.

5.e For Social Secretary.

Reader Ivan nominated Jennifer Hartmann (seconded by Adrian Dobre), who agreed to the nomination. There being no further nominations from the floor, Jennifer was declared elected by acclamation.

The new board is therefore as follows:

President: Reader Ivan; Vice-President: Subdeacon Arthur; Treasurer: Adrian Dobre; Secretary: Subdeacon David; Social Secretary: Jennifer Hartmann.

The election of officers was concluded by a Prayer of Thanks and the singing of Many Years.

6. Any Other Business.

Nic Hartmann suggested setting up a facebook site for the Mission, and volunteered to look after our electronic sites. Sandu kindly offered to assist. The idea was welcomed by all.

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at 2.15 pm on a motion from Subdeacon David with the singing of “It is truly meet to bless you, O Theotokos.”

David N. Bell,
Secretary.