

ACTA, Atlantic Province Business/Electoral Assembly

June 1-4, 2015

The number of those present in the Province with the right to vote was twenty-six. Two members were absent.

The Assembly was validly convoked by V. Rev. Jeffrey J. Finley who also presided over both the business and electoral assemblies.

Motions made and passed are below:

A motion was made to allocate the entire donation of funds for the needy (approximately \$16,600) to the district of Croatia. Twenty-six voters were present; the motion passed unanimously with twenty-six votes.

A motion was made that the Provincial Statute Section II, Article 77 be revised. The second sentence of the article will now read: The minutes of the Provincial Assembly be forwarded to all the members for correction before being approved by the Provincial and his Council. Twenty-six voters were present; the motion passed with a vote of 25 yeses and 1 no vote.

A motion was made that the Provincial Statute Section 1, Title 3, Article 25 be revised to add the word Vocation to Formation Committee. It would then read: The Director of Formation is assisted in his work by the Vocation/Formation Committee which functions according to the guidelines contained in the Program of Formation. There were twenty-five voters present; the motion passed unanimously with twenty-five votes.

A motion was made that the Provincial Statutes Section 1, Title 3, Article 28 and Article 29 be eliminated -- the former to increase flexibility in the use of the House of Studies and the later because it never existed. There were twenty-five voters present; the motion passed with 24 yeses, 0 no, and 1 abstention.

A motion was made for the following: The Province is to hire a full-time development coordinator and a full-time administrative assistant who will be hired by the Provincial and Council, upon the recommendation of the Mission Director. It is understood that the immediate mandate of each will be in the service of the overhaul of the Mission Office. There were twenty-six voters present; the motion passed with 25 yeses and 1 ballot was declared invalid.

A motion was made that the Mission Director and Provincial Treasurer be invited to attend each meeting of the Provincial Council and that they provide the Council with an update on the status of the Mission Office, a summary of which will be distributed to the members after each meeting. There were twenty-six voters present; the motion passed unanimously with twenty-six votes.

A motion was made that that the funds for the overhaul of the Mission Office be derived in memoriam from the estate of Rev. Mario Bufalini, C.P.P.S. There were twenty-six voters present; the motion passed with twenty-five yeases and one no vote.

A motion was made that the Provincial and Council in coordination with the Mission Director are mandated to lead a process leading to the revision of the Provincial Statutes and Customary as it pertains to the Mission Office. There was 26 people voting. The result of the voting was 25 yeases, and one ballot was declared invalid.

A motion was made to do the change of status of the non-profit corporation for the Mission Project that is being demanded by the Canadian government. There were twenty-six voters present; the motion passed unanimously with twenty-six votes.

A motion was made to authorize the Provincial and his Council to spend up to \$150,000 USD to deal with the repayment of the funds for the high school. There were twenty-six voters present; the motion passed unanimously with twenty-six votes.

A motion was made that the cost of living increase to the personal allowance and the car allowance be revised annually. The new allowances with the increase for the past two years are set at \$625 for personal allowance and \$735 for car allowance. There were twenty-six voters present; the motion passed unanimously with twenty-six votes.

Election for Provincial

Fr. John Colacino was nominated, but he declined the nomination.

Fr. Mario Cafarelli was nominated and he accepted the nomination.

Fr. Phil Smith was nominated and he accepted the nomination.

Fr. Jim Reposkey was nominated, but he declined the nomination.

The nominations were closed and the first ballot was taken. The results were Fr. Mario received 15 votes, Fr. Phil received 9, and there were two invalid votes cast. According to our Statutes, on the first ballot the nominated person would have to receive 2/3 of the votes cast which would have been 17. No one received that amount. A second ballot had to be taken.

On the second ballot, only a simple majority of the votes cast was necessary. The results of the second ballot were Fr. Mario received 18, Fr. Phil received 7 and there was 1 invalid vote.

Fr. Jeff asked the community if the voting was done properly. The community affirmed that it was. Fr. Jeff then asked Fr. Mario if he accepted the election as provincial. He said Yes and the community applauded him.

Election for Vice-Provincial and First Councilor

Fr. John Colacino was nominated and he accepted the nomination.

Fr. Peter Nobili was nominated and he accepted the nomination.

There were no further nominations, but it was pointed out that all members were still eligible to be voted for. The vote was taken and the results were Fr. John received 22 votes and Fr. Peter received 4.

Fr. Jeff then asked the community if the voting was done properly and the community affirmed that it was. Fr. Jeff then asked Fr. John if he would accept being the Vice-Provincial and First Councilor. He replied in the affirmative and the community applauded him.

Election for Second Councilor

Fr. Ron Wiecek was nominated and he accepted the nomination.

Fr. Peter Nobili was nominated and he accepted the nomination.

Fr. Michael Mateyk was nominated and he accepted the nomination.

Nominations were closed and a vote was taken. The results were Fr. Ron Wiecek received 15 votes, Fr. Peter received 6 and Fr. Michael received 5.

Fr. Jeff then asked the community if the voting was done properly and they affirmed that it was. Fr. Jeff then asked Fr. Ron Wiecek if he accepted the election as Second Councilor and he said Yes. The community applauded him also.

Election for Third Councilor

The nomination process was then begun for the Third Councilor.

Fr. Patrick Gilmurray was nominated and he accepted the nomination.

Fr. Peter Nobili was nominated and he accepted the nomination.

Fr. Michael Mateyk was nominated and he accepted the nomination.

Again the community was reminded that any member of the community could still be elected. It is not just limited to those who were nominated. A vote was then taken and the results of the vote were that Fr. Patrick received 7 votes, Fr. Peter received 7 votes and Fr. Michael received 10 votes. Fr. August Menichelli received 1 vote and Fr. Phil Smith received 1 vote.

Since no one received the needed simple majority to win the election, a second vote needed to be taken.

Fr. Patrick withdrew his name from the election process at this time. The second vote was taken

The results were Fr. Peter received 9 votes, Fr. Michael received 15 votes, and Fr. Augusto received 2 votes.

Fr. Jeff then asked the community if the voting was done properly and the community affirmed that it was. Fr. Jeff then asked Fr. Michael if he would accept the position of Third Councilor. He responded affirmatively and the community applauded him as well.

Rev. Ronald P. Wiecek, C.P.P.S.
Secretary

Fr. Jeffrey J. Finley, C.P.P.S.
Provincial

Date