

Electoral Assembly

Voting Minutes

Thursday, June 4, 2015, Fr. Jeff called the Electoral Assembly to order at 10:00 p.m..

He then read the Statutes that pertained to the Electoral Assembly.

After the fiasco of the last election, there was a Statute revision that stated that nominations would be conducted for the office of Provincial immediately before balloting. That process was begun for the Office of 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.

Fr. Bill Nordenbrock made the comment that being a small unit sometimes limits the amount of people willing to be nominated for office.

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.

There was a 15 minute break before the election of the Vice-Provincial and First Councilor

When the assembly reconvened nominations were opened 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.

Fr. Jeff asked the community if they wanted to have another break but they declined the offer.

The Nomination process was then begun for the 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.

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 was 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.

Before Closing the meeting, Fr. Jeff was to give a special thank you to Fr. Ron Wiecek for the secretarial work that he did not only during this assembly, but throughout his tenure as provincial.

The assembly was then asked to confirm the actions of this assembly which they did.

Fr. Gary Luiz moved that the assembly be closed and Fr. Lui Santi seconded it. There was unanimous agreement that the assembly be closed.

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

Secretary

Rev. Jeffrey J. Finley, C.P.P.S.

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Date

