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To: All Church-School Congregations of the Eastern American Diocese
Subject: Alternative Means for Holding of Annual and/or Special Assemblies

*Very Reverend, Reverend and Venerable Fathers,
Respected Executive Board Members,
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,*

The Diocesan Council of the Diocese of Eastern America, at its regular meeting on August 29, 2020 reviewed the alternative means for holding of annual and/or special assemblies, as well as the possible retaining of 2020 Church-School Executive Boards through 2021. Following deliberation, the Diocesan Council rendered the following:

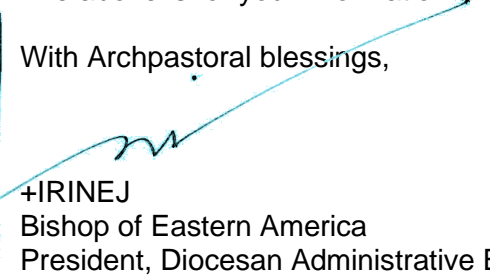
DECISION

MINUTES VII.A-B:
PARISHES AND CHURCH-SCHOOL CONGREGATIONS:

The Diocesan Council, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, as an exception, **in lieu of Annual Assemblies**, determines that informational meetings may occur via video conference only. **Existing boards** should serve for another year, given their present experience, unless there are vacancies due to extenuating circumstances. Appointments to replace those Board Members who, out of justified reasons, no longer can serve on the Board, would be submitted to the Diocesan Bishop for approval per Article 40.5 of the *Uniform Rules and Regulations for Parishes and Church-School Congregations of the Serbian Orthodox Church in North and South America and General Regulations*. **Budgetary decisions** are to remain the same unless change is necessitated due to local circumstances. If there is request for exception due to local circumstances, approach the Diocesan Administrative Board.

The above is for your information and implementation.

With Archpastoral blessings,


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Bishop of Eastern America
President, Diocesan Administrative Board

