

## Jack Kazakow, et.all- Bulgarian Orthodox Church "Saint Nicholas", Inc

We are in receipt of your letter and we found the following serious discrepancies:

I. Your letter is addressing Bulgarian Orthodox Church "Saint Nicholas", Inc in its Title, yet you continue your address to Dr. Katchova, instead of addressing the Board (**PARISH COUNCIL**). Are you addressing her personally? If so, this is not the proper form and topic.

II. It appears that you are seriously misinformed on all points see below.

III. On the subject of the Members (you are representing) requesting to inspect the following records of the Church:

(1) Its current membership roster; all records were made available for inspection on May 31, 2015 at the Annual Church Meeting

(2) Accounting records - all records were made available for inspection on May 31, 2015 at the Annual Church Meeting

*NOTE: Mr. Kazakow himself was present at this meeting. All of his questions and allegations were answered, and he was invited to review the requested records as these were readily made available to him. Mr. Kazakow did not only choose not to review these official records, but he made quite a scene leaving the meeting twice.*

IV. We will make these records available again for the examination by anyone of your Clients, or anybody else of the Church's Membership, during our next **PARISH COUNCIL'S MEETING**, scheduled for June 28, 2015 at 12 noon.

V. (3) any correspondence and notices related to the scheduling and organizing of May 15, 2015-Meeting. It appears that you are seriously misinformed again. You are confusing Parish Council Meeting (May 15-2015), which that was, with the Annual Election Meeting held on May 31, 2015. Here is the accurate information regarding the earlier meeting of the Parish Council- all Board members and proposed candidates to fill in the vacancies were called in and present, except for Mr. George Kirov. Mr. George Kirov was informed by Mr. Mateev and he had informed the Board by same that he would not be able to attend. It also appears that you have not had the time to familiarize yourself with the Church's Bylaws. To help you find the pertinent content here is the section referring to the Parish Council:

**SECTION 5 – PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS- c) The Parish Council may meet in special or emergency sessions by being so notified at least 24 hours in advance, and by assuring that the Parish Priest and a quorum of at least a majority of the Council positions are present for said meeting.**

VI. In addition, be informed that the appointed Higher Authority, His Eminence Metropolitan Joseph, head of the Bulgarian Eastern Orthodox Diocese of the USA, Canada and, has personally received all pertinent documents and all records outlined in III, (1) and (2), as well as the minutes for Parish Council Meeting on May 15, 2015 and the Annual Election Meeting on May 31, 2015. He has approved both meetings, he has approved the new Board, elected on May 31, 2015 and he has thoroughly reviewed the financial records, diligently kept from the Churches Foundation back in 2011, to the day of the Annual Meeting on May 31, 2015 as well as the Members roster. He not only did not find any discrepancies, but he personally wrote a letter in response to Mr. Kazakow's allegations, reprimanding him for his conduct and opposing the allegations. His Eminence also addressed in another correspondence the 4 members most actively participating in these unsubstantiated accusations, outlined in your correspondence,

ordering them to stop these immediately and to accept and leave the newly elected Board to do their work. Both letters are attached for you to share with your Clients as it is apparent they did not read them.

VII. In regards to the rest of your accusations, we do hope that you will have sufficient time to study the Church's Bylaws, along with all information made available to you, and you will find that there is no basis for these.