

**2006 Parish Life Conference in Richmond Hill, ON  
Teen S.O.Y.O. meeting**

*Friday, June 30, 2006*

11:19     **Meeting was called to order**  
**Opening prayer;** Fr. David Smith  
**Introductions of officers**

<b>Diocese Board Delegates present</b>
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Milad Saikali  
Hala Sawalha  
George Sourial  
Caroline El-Chaâr  
Nadia Lawand  
Fr. David Smith

**Roll Call**

<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
St. Nicolas Montreal (3) St. George Niagara Falls (2) St. Antonios Halifax (3) St. Michael Geneva (2) St. George Utica (3) St. Elias Syracuse (3) St. George Montreal (3) St. George Richmond Hill (3) St. Mary Mississauga (3) St. Ignatius Windsor (3) St. Elias Ottawa (3)	St. Mary Montreal

**Reading of Minutes;** Caroline El-Chaâr

- Motioned by Alexander Habib
- Seconded by Erin Kensinger

11:30     **OLD BUSINESS**

Presentation of the officers present from each parish

**Chapter Reports**

St. Nicolas Montreal	Jonathan Shportun
St. George Niagara Falls	Kaitlyn Kinan
St. Antonios Halifax	Joey Joukhadar
St. Michael Geneva	Adam Murphy
St. George Utica	Caleb Smith
St. Elias Syracuse	Mary Awwad
St. George Montreal	Pierre Cassis
St. George Richmond Hill	Leila Younes
St. Mary Mississauga	Jackie El-Chaer
St. Ignatius Windsor	Tania Kakish
St. Elias Ottawa	Caroline El-Chaâr

Youth Month / Special Olympics

- Hala Sawalha spoke about it
- Fr. David Smith also made some comments and spoke about how it's such a great program and a great experience
- St. Ignatius in Windsor has not been receiving the tag day packages

His Grace Bishop Alexander entered and spoke to the teens

Fr. Joseph Purpura explained why October is Youth Month

Caroline El-Chaâr spoke about the 2006 Diocese Retreat

His Grace Bishop Alexander announced the change of Spiritual Advisors

- Fr. Terrence Baz from St. Elias Syracuse was announced as the new Spiritual Advisor

His Grace then spoke about the importance of coming to these conferences and making God more involved in our lives

Mid-Winter Meetings

Will be help on the first weekend of February 2007

Orthodox Education Month

Caroline El-Chaâr spoke about the importance of this month

We will send out information explaining what this month is all about

Chapter Dues

<b>PAID</b>
St. Elias Ottawa St. Antonios Halifax St. George Montreal St. Mary Montreal St. Elias Syracuse St. George Richmond Hill

Unpaid dues: cheques must be sent in within one week of this meeting  
Treasurer's Report; George Sourial

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**NEW BUSINESS**

Website

- The webmaster will be present at the Leadership Conference and will help us set it up

Communication

Milad really stressed the importance of good communication

Summer Meetings / Leadership Conference

Hala Sawalha and Fr. Joseph Purpura spoke

**ELECTIONS**

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	
Motioned by Adam Murphy Seconded by Leila Younes	Caroline El-Chaâr
<b>VICE-PRESIDENT</b>	
Running: Caleb Smith Hala Sawalha	Caleb Smith

<b>TREASURER</b>	
Running: Jonathan Shportun Maria Saikali	Maria Saikali
<b>SECRETARY</b>	
Running: Adam Murphy Hala Sawalha	Hala Sawalha

Youth Director's Comments – Nadia Lawand

- Fr. Joseph Purpura also gave a nice speech about Nadia and her contributions to Teen SOYO

Spiritual Advisor's Comments – Fr. David Smith

President's closing remarks – Milad Saikali

Closing Prayer; Fr. Terrence Baz

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