

### **Proposed Change to the Charter:**

- A proposal has been made to change/add to the charter, so that the executive committee can approve requests up to a \$500 threshold if it benefits the school and children without having to put a vote forward.
  - o The Charter Chair has adjusted the proposal to include additional verbiage that accounts for varying spending levels.
    - All spending requests up to \$500 can be approved by a simple majority vote of the Executive Committee
    - All spending requests from \$500 to \$2500 can be approved by a simple majority vote of the Operating Committee.
    - All spending requests in excess of \$2500 must be presented and approved by a simple majority vote of the General Membership.
  
- Justification for the proposal is that Votes and back and forth for \$60 and \$100 items is silly to me if the cost and proposal meets criteria set forth by the budget line items and definitions.”

### **Charter Review Process:**

- Per Article X, Section 1, it is the responsibility of the Charter Chair to review the proposal for two primary areas: 1) whether the proposal is already covered in the Charter AND 2) the impact on the Charter, identifying elements of the Charter that would be affected if the proposal were adopted.
1. The proposal is not currently covered anywhere in the Charter. The closest section that covers spending thresholds is Section 3, Voting policies as to the Budget “Any expenditure requiring Diocesan approval must be addressed at a General Membership meeting prior to being acted upon by the Operating Committee.” Article IX, FINANCES, Section 1, Budget, further states “The Executive Committee has discretion to make adjustments in the allocation of expenditures provided overall annual expenditures do not exceed the budgeted amount approved by the General Membership” when discussing the overall budget.”
  
  2. The impact of the proposal to the Charter would allow for a more expedient path of appropriately approving proposed items, as well as creating a tempered approval for budgeted line items.
    - The proposals would become part of Article IX, FINANCES, Section 5, Spending, and will account for future Charter change requests for spending budgeted amounts.