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ACYOA NATIONAL COMMITTEES

I. The ACYOA ALUMNI FOUNDATION

A committee made up of ACYOA ALUMNI, designed to involve alumni in the organization. This committee will also help the ACYOA as a fundraising source for new programs.

II. The ACYOA COLLEGE CONNECTION

A committee that will develop ways of reaching out to Armenian College students by sponsoring religious, educational, cultural and social activities for students on their campuses.

III. THE ACYOA PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

A committee that will generate a high sense of spirit and enthusiasm for ACYOA national programs. A principle focus would be the promotion of the ACYOA Sports Weekend all over North America.

IV. The ACYOA CULTURAL COMMITTEE

A Committee, divided regionally, that will promote ACYOA sponsored cultural programs and that will stay abreast of current activities and developments regarding Genocide Recognition.

V. The ACYOA CHRISTIAN EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE

A committee that will work closely with the Departments of Religious Education and Armenian Language at the Diocese to develop such Christian Armenian Programs as Bible Studies, Seminars and Retreats.

VI. The "NEW" ACYOA PUBLICATION

A committee comprised of editors, writers and visual artists that will develop a new newsletter. This publication will carry on the high level of quality achieved by its predecessor publications, "The Guardian" and "The Kheghard".

VII. The ACYOA NATIONAL FINANCE COMMITTEE

A committee of ACYOA members that will be responsible for developing fundraising programs for the National ACYOA. This committee will also be subdivided into groups that will effectively manage the funds raised.

NATIONAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Invitational
Tournament (Boston): May 13-15, 1988

National Anniversary Ball

General Assembly & National Sports
Weekend (Providence): August 31, 1988
to September 5, 1988

**SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS PASSED AT THE
1987 ACYOA GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Proposal No. 1

That the Central Council College Connection Sub-Committee institute and administer a College Connection Outreach Program using the following suggested guidelines:

Create parish/chapter committees to include ACYOA members, parish priests, parish council members, youth directors and parents;

Obtain college enrollment directories through the Diocesan "My Kinsman" program and locally, through college directories;

Publicity - ads in college newspapers; College Connection column in Youth Forum; national and local mailings;

Activities - dinners; cultural programs (lectures, slide presentations and discussions); social activities; College Sunday;

Forum - to meet after church; discuss moral and ethical issues;

Have parish members compile lists of interested, qualified people to assist, tutor or advise those who want to enter same field.

Proposal No. 2

That the Central Council Cultural Sub-Committee institute and administer an Armenian Fellowship Weekend using the following suggested guidelines:

Weekend Program - three days if possible;

Do on national level but alternate between regions; and

Do in conjunction with Armenian Language Lab at Diocese - language, history and dance - discuss views of Armenian Church regarding moral, ethical and religious issues - social and prayer.

Proposal No. 3

That Central Council appoint a committee consisting of 4 delegates and one Council member to develop guidelines for an Annual ACYOA National Ball and submit a report to the 1988 ACYOA General Assembly.

Proposal No. 4

To eliminate the current Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Basketball Tournament and initiate the Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Invitational Tournament, accomplishing the following goals:

Adding co-ed volleyball to the Tournament;

Not requiring that tournament be held in NYC every other year; and

Allowing Western Diocese and Canadian Diocese to participate.

**RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE
1987 ACYOA GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

- (1) The ACYOA Central Council shall actively recruit members and oversee the implementation of the Christian Education Committee and instruct it to prepare guidelines, plans, and budgets for the programs mentioned below.
- (2) The ACYOA Central Council shall implement the Plan for the Parish Mission Program as it is currently outlined, and appoint and direct the Christian Education Committee with the task of insuring its staffing and implementation on a continual basis.
- (3) The third Sunday of each month shall be designated as "Sunday for Young Adults" in all parishes of the Eastern Diocese.
 - (a) Sermon shall relate Christian teachings to young adult lives;
 - (b) Young adults shall act as greeters;
 - (c) Young adults shall organize and manage fellowship hour and/or program following church service;
 - (d) Young adults shall actively participate in the church service.
- (4) The ACYOA Central Council and Executive Secretary shall institute an ongoing leadership training program for the executive officers of each ACYOA chapter on an annual basis.
- (5) The ACYOA Central Council shall direct the Christian Education Committee to develop guidelines and a budget for partially-subsidized regional retreats. These retreats shall be open to all young adults of the Armenian Church of America in order to assist in their spiritual growth.
- (6) The ACYOA Central Council shall direct the Christian Education Committee to locate, review, and design a plan to insure the effective use of the already-existing guidelines for the instructional Divine Liturgy. This plan shall strive to instruct through participation.