

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY MINUTES - JAN. 25, 1976

The Annual Parish Assembly of the Armenian Church of the Holy Resurrection, New Britain, Conn. was held on Sunday, Jan. 25, 1976 at 11 Erwin Place, New Britain, Conn. The meeting was opened at 2:00 p. m. by Parish Council Chairman, Given Hoosigian, followed by a prayer by our Pastor, Fr. Vartan DerAssadourian, who presided over the meeting.

Mr. Charles Takesian was nominated and elected Chairman of the Meeting. Roxie Maljanian was elected Secretary.

The first order of business was the reading of the 1975 Parish Assembly Minutes by Charles Hovsepian, Jr. Queenie Hovhanessian made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Margaret Bagdigian seconded the motion. It was passed.

Fr. Vartan gave the Pastor's Report. The Parish Council report was passed out and read by Given Hoosigian, Chairman. The Auditor's Report was also passed out and read by Berj Kallajian. Mr. Kallajian amended his report by stating that the Stanley Street Land Value is \$23,000, and that in the future this will be included in the written report. After the reading of these reports, Steve DerMargosian made a recommendation that in the future, the Auditor's Report have two listings of the Operating Receipts and Disbursements, one for the present year, and one for the previous year whereby the membership could make a comparison.

Violet Galazan made a correction in the Parish Council Report, stating that the New Britain Council of Churches is now called the New Britain Conference of Churches.

A motion was made by Paul Abrahamian and seconded by Lucy Simonian to accept the Parish Priest's, Parish Council's and Auditor's Reports. It was passed.

Margaret Bagdigian, Women's Guild Chairman gave the Women's Guild Report. A motion to accept it was made by Alice Bagdigian and it was passed.

The ACYOA Report was made by Philip DerMargosian, chairman. Gary Hovhanessian's name was inadvertently omitted as delegate along with Harry DerAssadourian to the Annual Diocesan Assembly. The report was then accepted as read.

Our Choir Director, Sarah Yagoobian gave the Choir Report. Due to the absence of Mr. & Mrs. Club Chairman, Harry Badrigian, Charles Hovsepian, Jr. read his report. The Sunday School Report was given by Henrietta Kallajian, Superintendent. Eaghoochi Simonian, one of the three Armenian School teachers, gave her report and made a plea to all parents of students to speak the Armenian Language in their homes whenever possible.

Steve DerMargosian thanked all the Auxillary Organizations of our church for working to support the church all through the year and then made a motion to accept their reports. It was seconded by Berj Kallajian and passed.

Under new business, Hurach Azarigian, treasurer of the Parish Council gave the Proposed 1976 Budget. After a lengthy discussion by the membership on various ways to cut the budget, a motion was made by Queenie Hovhanessian to accept the proposed budget. Rose Mosey seconded the motion and it was passed.

The following recommendations were made by several members to help our parish in the year ahead:

- 1) by Steve DerMargosian - to present to our Primate, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, when he is in New Britain for the Anniversary Celebration, our difficulty in meeting our Diocesan Dues due to our present financial situation.
- 2) by Harry Azarigian - that our Parish Priest hold regular daily office hours, that our Parish Priest visit all hospitalized Armenians and not only those belonging to our parish, that our Parish Priest and the membership take more of an interest in individuals who are not attending church and question the reasons for their absence.

- 3) by Paul Abrahamian - that a program of Deacon Apprenticeship be initiated in our parish,
that an Adult Advisor be appointed for the ACYOA due to the resignation of Queenie Hovhanessian

A letter from the Diocese which explained the method of choosing the number of Diocesan Delegates eligible from each parish was read by Mr. Takesian.

The last order of business was the Results of the Election of Parish Council members, Auditors and Nominating Committee members for 1976. Margaret Bagdikian, Nominating Committee Member, read the results as follows:

PARISH COUNCIL

Hurach Azarigian	(27)	Levon Hovhanessian	17
Levant Azarigian	5	B.J. Hovhanessian	(25)
Harry Badrigian	13	John Maljanian	(34)
Monty Bagdikian	(20)	Arthur Simonian	16
Steve DerMargosian	17	Charles Takesian	(31)

The top five are circled as above and were elected.

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Vatche DerAssadourian	18	Arshal Hoosigian	11
Berj Kallajian	(33)	Sarah Yegoobian	11
Charles Vartanian	(24)	Ruth Waite	(26)

The top three are circled as above and were elected.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Paul Abrahamian	(23)	Rose Badrigian	(22)
Margaret Abrahamian	8	Alice Bagdikian	21
Mary Abrahamian	21	Rose Mosey	(28)

The above three are circled as winners.

A minute of silence was observed by our congregation in memory of the deceased members of our parish.

Hurach Azarigian commended the secretary and chairman of the day, Mr. Takesian and also welcomed him as a new member of the Parish Council.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Hurach Azarigian, seconded by Mary Abrahamian and passed at 4:20 p.m.

Rev. Vartan Terleakian
President

Respectfully submitted,

Roxie Maljanian, Secretary

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Charles Horvath for
Charles Takian,
Chairman