MINUTES OF ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY Sunday, February 5, 1995

The Annual Parish Assembly of the Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church of Greater Boston was held on Sunday, February 5, 1995, following Church Services, in the Charles and Nevart Talanian Cultural Hall.

Due to the inclement weather, a count was taken to make sure there was a quorum. There were ninety-five (95) members present, and ninety (90) ballots were cast.

The Assembly was called to order by George Haroutunian, Chairman of the Parish Council, at 12:55 p.m. He thanked the members who had made an effort to attend the meeting.

The opening prayer was offered by Reverend Father Mampre A. Kouzouian, Pastor, who asked those present to join with him in reciting the prayer in English and Armenian.

William Martin, the Chairman of the Nominating Committee presented the slate for the day's Tivan as follows:

Chairman: Aetna Tashjian and Albert Zouranjian

Additional nominations for Chairman of the Day were asked from the floor. Aetna Tashjian declined his nomination. Since there were no further nominations, a Motion was made and second for Albert Zouranjian to be elected Chairman of the Assembly. MO-TION PASSED.

Recording Secretary: Catherine Minassian and Julia Stephanian

Additional nominations were asked from the floor. Catherine Minassian declined her nomination for Secretary. There being no further nominations, a Motion was made and seconded that Julia Stephanian be elected as Recording Secretary of the Assembly. MOTION PASSED.

Albert Zouranjian, in addressing the Assembly, thanked the members present on behalf of himself and Julia Stephanian for electing them Chairman and Secretary respectively.

The Chairman of the Assembly asked if the Minutes to the 1994 Annual should be read, or if they would be accepted as presented. A Motion was made and seconded that the minutes be accepted as they were printed in the annual bulletin and mailed to the parishioners. MOTION PASSED.

William Martin, the Nominating Committee Chairman, was called upon to read the nominees for elective office as put forth by the Nominating Committee.

The nominees for Parish Council (six to be elected) were as follows:

Haig Bedigian
Arthur Boghosian
Florence Cirino
Gregory Hintlian*
Catherine Minassian
Richard Surabian*
Tohn Bichajian
Gerald Boghosian*
George W. Haroutunian*
Zareh Martin
David Raphaelian
Roxanne Tashjian
*Indicates Incumbent

Additional names for nomination for Parish Council were entertained from the floor. There being no further nominations, a motion was made and seconded to close nominations for Parish Council. MOTION PASSED.

The nominees for Nominating Committee (five to be elected) were as follows:

Dr. Paul Barsam June Hatfield
Aram Hintlian, Jr.* Jeanne Jamgochian
Arlene Kasarjian Phyllis Martins
Gerald Odabashian Robert Proodian
Julia Stephanian Diran Zahigian*
* Indicates Incumbent

Additional names for nominations for Nominating Committee were entertained from the floor. There being no further nominations a motion was made and seconded to close nominations for Nominating Committee. MOTION PASSED.

The nominees for Auditing Committee (one to be elected) were as follows:

MaryAnn Sousourian Peter Talanian

Additional names for nominations for Auditing Committee were entertained from the floor. There being no further nominations, a motion was made and seconded to close nominations for Auditing Committee. MOTION PASSED.

All of the nominees were brought forward by the Nominating Committee Chairman and introduced to the members of the Assembly. There being no further nominations, the ballot box was opened at 1:30 p.m. for elections. There was a short recess in the proceedings for the purpose of voting.

The Chairman of the Day reconvened the Assembly at 1:45 p.m. and announced that the ballot box would be closed at 2:30 p.m.

PASTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1994

Father Mampre outlined the various parts of his report which included Church Services, Sacraments, Counseling, Pastoral Visitations, Meetings attended, Cultural and Education Programs, Church Schools, Youth Ministry, Special Activities and Assistance to Armenia. The Pastor expressed his appreciation to the Church Office Staff, the Parish Council and Parishioners for their support and dedication to Holy Trinity Church.

Father Mampre reported that during the past two years the Parish Council has taken attendance during Sunday services and that there has been an improvement in the attendance since 1993.

A delegation of 6 clergymen and 18 laymen representing the Diocese of the Armenian Church were elected to go to Etchmiadzin. Father Mampre has been chosen as a delegate clergy to attend the meetings in Etchmiadzin to vote for a new Catholicos. He will be leaving the end of March and returning in April in time for Easter services. He announced that Father Vasken has been named as Pastor of the Springfield church and will be going there in April. However, Father Vasken will stay in Cambridge until Father Mampre's return.

Father Mampre also stressed that more help is needed in Armenia and we should do all we can to send it. Any members who would like to send gifts with him to Armenia should get in touch with him.

Father Mampre asked for any comments or questions on his report.

PARISH COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1994

Al Zouranjian next called on George Haroutunian, Chairman of the Parish Council, to address any questions with regard to the Parish Council's Report.

George thanked the members of the Nominating Committee for their work in obtaining the slate of nominees for the various offices. He also brought to the Assemblies attention the fact that the Annual Report was printed in a smaller booklet, thus saving on the expense of reproducing the report.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Pastor's Report and the Parish Council Report as published. MOTION PASSED.

Motion was made and seconded to accept the organizations reports as recorded. MOTION PASSED.

OLD BUSINESS:

Gregory Hintlian gave the financial report for 1994 and the budget for 1995. Since there were no questions motion was made and seconded to accept the financial report. MOTION PASSED.

He then gave a report of the renovation committee. The estimated expense of the renovation is \$288,000. The committee has approached the Bank of Boston to obtain a construction loan. The amount of the loan would be about \$200,000. The present interest rate would be 10-1/4%, and would be for a term of 25 years, payable after three years. Nothing has been finalized and more investigation is being conducted. Aetna Tashjian asked the legality of borrowing the money from the trust fund rather than the bank, thus avoiding the interest to the bank, and saving the church that money. George Hagopian will look into this and report at a future time.

The 1000 Club will be one of the major fundraisers for the renovation project. All the members who have given their time and energy to the 1000 Club were thanked for their dedication.

Father Vasken gave a report on the many activities of the ACYOA Jrs. and the young couples of the church. They are planning meetings and trips to get the young people together and have gotten a very good response so far. Both Father Vasken and his wife Arpi were thanked for their hard work.

A question was brought up about the two pieces of property that were to be sold. A broker has sent a contract to sell the land. An appraisal is being sought and all the documents are in place. When the price is right, the sale of the property will be completed.

The next item discussed was the Martyr's Monument. Al Zouranjian introduced the sculptor, Vahram Hovagimian, who has started the project. The stone was selected and is in the shed behind the church. To date more than \$50,000 has been donated for the monument. Rose Tufankjian gave \$3,000 to bring the fund over the top. However, the additional money will be used in the upkeep of the monument. It will be located to the right side of the walkway going toward the church, facing the street. It will be 30 ft. off the sidewalk, and 30 ft. in from the walkway. The unveiling is scheduled for April 23, 1995. A discussion was held on the location of the monument and motion was made and seconded to let the committee decide on the proper location. MOTION PASSED.

Diran Zahigian was called upon to report on the committee's decision for the \$11,000 that is being held in escrow in the retirement fund. Since the money had been refused by Reverend Maksoodian, it was recommended that we put the money

back into the general fund. Motion was made and seconded to close the books on the \$11,000 and return it back to the general fund. MOTION PASSED.

ELECTION RESULTS:

Since there was no further old business and no new business, the meeting was turned over to William Martin to announce the results of the election as follows:

(90 ballots cast, 4 ballots invalid) Parish Council:

- 1. Gerald Boghosian 72
- 2. George W. Haroutunian 72
- Gregory Hintlian 71
 Richard Surabian 69
- 5. Catherine Minassian 58
- 6. Florence Cirino 56

Alternate: John Bichajian

Nominating Committee: (90 ballots cast, 1 ballot invalid)

- 1. Aram Hintlian, Jr.
- 2. Phyllis Martins 69
- 3. Diran Zahiqian 63
- 4. Robert Proodian 48
- Arlene Kasarjian 45
- Alternate: June Hatfield

Auditing Committee: (90 ballots cast, 1 ballot invalid)

MaryAnn Soursourian 53

Congratulations were extended to those elected to the Parish Council and Nominating Committee.

In closing remarks, the Pastor expressed his gratitude to out-going members of the Parish Council. He also thanked Albert Zouranjian and Julia Stephanian for serving at the day's Assembly as Chairman and Secretary.

The Annual Parish Assembly of the Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church of Greater Boston was declared adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Julia Stephanian

Recording Secretary

Albert Zouranjian

Chairman L

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Parish Priest