

Armenian Church Youth Organization of America

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate

CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING

September 4, 1981

Chicago Marriott Hotel
Chicago, Illinois

The Central Council convened at 4:25 P.M. at the Chicago Marriott Hotel. The following were present:

The Most Very Reverend Archbishop Torkom Manoogian
James Magarian, Executive Secretary
Michael Yapchaian, Chairman
Mark Kazanjian, Vice-Chairman
Sona Yazijian, Treasurer
Robert Borzakian, Jr., Corresponding Secretary
Nancy L. M. Banks, Recording Secretary
Susan Mousigian
Gary Hovhanessian
Ralph DerAsadourian

Michael called the meeting to order. He explained that the purpose of the meeting was transitional between the old and new Central Council members: Michael handed out the organizational objectives and responsibilities of the Executive Secretary, Central Council and Central Council by office to everyone in the room. He further went on and read the responsibilities and duties to the new Central Council and answered any questions that they had.

The next item for discussion was the awarding of the A-Award and Honorable Mention. Michael read all the Chapter Reports. The Council reviewed each one carefully. After narrowing down the Chapters and further discussion the following was decided:

Moved by Nancy, Supported by Sona: Palos Heights be awarded the A-Award and St. Louis be awarded the Honorable Mention Award.
Motion passed unanimously

The next item of discussion was the certificates. Mr. Magarian passed out to everyone present different certificates that he had prepared and designed. (SEE APPENDIX A) - Council reviewed each one



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separately. The first certificate for discussion was the Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Basketball Tournament.

Moved by Sona, supported by Mark: Central Council accept the Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Basketball Tournament Award Certificate as presented.
Motion passed unanimously

The next certificate was the Sam Nersesian Award. Some of the Council members felt that the certificate was nice but they objected to the fact that the A.C.Y.O.A. emblem was not incorporated somewhere on the award. Since the award is being presented by our organization it was felt that the emblem was an important factor. Other members asked if that really was important. After lengthy discussion the following was decided.

Moved by Sona, supported by Robert:
Central Council accept the Sam Nersesian Award as presented.
Ayes 3
Nays 1
Abstained 1
Motion passed

Nancy commented on how surprised she was as to how Council members had voted. She stressed that the A.C.Y.O.A. was an organization with an identity and why should it be hidden. If our organization was to present an award/certificate to a member the emblem should appear. In later years the person accepting the award/certificate will always remember that it came from the A.C.Y.O.A. Mark asked that the Council reconsider their motion.

Moved by Mark, supported by Nancy: Central Council reconsider accepting the Sam Nersesian Award as presented.
Ayes 3
Nays 2
Motion passed

Moved by Mark, supported by Nancy: The Sam Nersesian Award be redesigned to include the A.C.Y.O.A. emblem on it.
Motion passed unanimously

Once a new certificate is designed and accepted by Central Council, Marianne Hovsepien will receive a new one.

Next item was the Certificate of Special Recognition. Again discussion was held as to why the A.C.Y.O.A. emblem was not on the certificate. Sona suggested to Mr. Magarian and the new Central Council members that from now on, before any printing is done for the national organization, it always be approved by the Central Council. This way money will not be wasted in redesigning forms over.

Moved by Sona, supported by Robert: Central Council accept the Certificate of Special Recognition as presented.

Ayes 0

Nays 5

Motion defeated.

Mr. Magarian will draw up a new certificate to present to Council for their approval. Once the new Certificate is accepted, all those people receiving the old one will receive a new one.

The next item brought up was reimbursement for Michael Yapchaian for attending the Mid-West Regional meeting and Anniversary Ball. He question whether the money was to come from the Central Council or from the Regional level. Nancy explained that since she nor Sona were unable to attend the weekend that she had contacted Michael and asked if he would be able to attend the meeting on her behalf. She further explained that she would have turned her expenses over to Central Council since she was the representative for St. Louis and it was a Regional Meeting and Anniversary Ball. Since Michael was representing her she felt the money should come from the Central Council treasurer. It was agreed that Central Council would reimburse Michael for his expenses incurred.

The next discussion was the election of the new Central Council officers. Michael stated that the new members would have to consider amongst themselves what positions they would be interested in or that they could vote. Each member voiced their opinion as to what they would like to serve as and why.

Moved by Robert, supported by Susan: Central Council members be appointed and approved as follows:

Chairman - Mark Kazanjian

Vice-Chairman - Robert Borzakian, Jr.

Treasurer - Susan Mousigian

Corresponding Secretary - Gary Hovhanessian

Recording Secretary - Ralph DerAsadourian

Motion passed unanimously

Next was the regional assignments. Michael suggested that the chairman not take on a region. This way, in the event he is needed to represent on behalf of someone, he will always be available. Everyone agreed. Michael passed out and discussed what the different regions were. Mark suggested that the following members take on the following regions.

Mid-Atlantic - Gary Hovhanessian

New England - Robert Borzakian, Jr.

Mid-West - Susan Mousigian and Ralph DerAsadourian

(It was noted that Ralph would be taking care of the Wisconsin and Illinois area and Susan would be taking care of Toronto, Detroit, Cleveland, Greater St. Louis and Houston, Texas.

Everyone accepted Mark's suggestion. It was also suggested to the new members that if a Parish does not have an A.C.Y.O.A., all correspondence should still be sent to them, in hopes that someday an A.C.Y.O.A. Chapter will be formed.

Nancy suggested that after the Primate and Diocesan Council approves the new Central Council members that Mr. Magarian inform the newly elected Central Council so that they in turn can contact their chapters that they have been assigned to, introducing themselves.

The next item was the appointing of the liaison officers for the different programs that Central Council sponsors. It was decided that the following would be responsible for:

Gary Hovhanessian - Archbishops Basketball Tournament
Sports Weekend

Robert Borzakian, Jr. - St. Vartan Camp
Mid-West Camp (in conjunction with Ralph)
Keghard
Executive Committee and Delegate listing

Susan Mousigian - Membership and Youth listing

Ralph DerAsadourian - Hye Camp (in conjunction with Robert)
Chapter obligation sheet

Mark Kazanjian - Chairmans Roundtable

Mr. Magarian - Mission Program

It was noted that A.C.Y.O.A. Day, Regional Retreats, Anniversary Balls, Martyrs Day and the Sam Nersesian Scholarship was to be taken care of by each regional representative.

The Primate then spoke to the Executive Secretary and the new Central Council members. He first spoke about the forms. He suggested that the Executive Secretary and Central Council redesign or restructure the A-Award form. He also stated that everyone around the table were representatives and that certain expectations were required from them. They should be able to be a public speaker. Do not be afraid to go out and talk. They should be able to create enthusiasm. The more enthusiasm the Executive Secretary and Central Council create, the more enthusiasm the people will create. He also stressed how important it was to be sociable and be around people. Don't go into a little corner and hide. Wherever you go you should always try and meet new people. He stated that before the new council left for home after the weekend there was no reason why each one of them should not have met at least 100 new people. Go out, introduce yourself, and be aggressive.

The Primate also stressed how important correspondence was not only amongst themselves but with their Chapters and Chapter Chairman. Always keep in touch with your Chapters and find out what they are doing. If you have different questions to ask them, put the questions to them. Publicity is also very important and should be stressed to all the Chapters. Every week something should go into the newspapers about the A.C.Y.O.A. organization. Each Central Council member should contact his Chapters and make sure the Chairman assigns a Public Relations person to their A.C.Y.O.A.

The next meeting of the Central Council will be decided by the Chairman and Executive Secretary. They will in turn notify all Central Council members.

It was suggested that the Chairman distribute copies of any letters/memo's etc. to both the old and new Central Council members until the Diocesan Council approves the newly elected Central Council.

As there was not further discussion,

Moved by Robert, supported by Nancy: Central Council meeting of September 4, 1981 be adjourned.
Motion passed unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Respectively submitted

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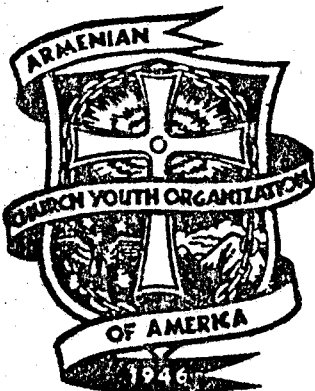
"A" AWARD

The Central Council of
The Armenian Church Youth Organization of America
presents the "A" award trophy to the

for outstanding achievements in furthering the aims of the organization

for the year July 1,

through June 30,



PRESIDENT

CHAIRMAN-CENTRAL COUNCIL

APPENDIX A

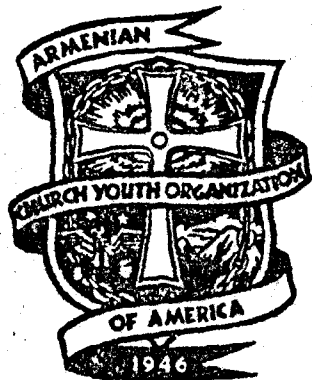
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CERTIFICATE OF HONORABLE MENTION

The Central Council of
The Armenian Church Youth Organization of America
presents this citation to the

for excellent progress consistent with the aims of the A.C.Y.O.A.

for the year July 1, through June 30,



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Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Basketball Tournament

AWARD CERTIFICATE

PRESENTED TO:

AS AN OUTSTANDING PLAYER

ARMENIAN CHURCH YOUTH ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

Diocese of the Armenian Church of America

Site & date



Primate

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian
Basketball Tournament
AWARD CERTIFICATE

PRESENTED TO:

AS CHAMPIONS FOR THE ____ YEAR

ARMENIAN CHURCH YOUTH ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
Diocese of the Armenian Church of America



Site & date

Primate

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian
Basketball Tournament
AWARD CERTIFICATE

PRESENTED TO:

AS A PARTICIPATING CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM PLAYER

ARMENIAN CHURCH YOUTH ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
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SAM NERSESIAN AWARD

is presented to:

Date

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CERTIFICATE OF SPECIAL RECOGNITION

is presented to:

Date

Primate

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Midwest Regional Meeting
June 13, 1981

Midwest Regional Meeting of ACYOA was held June 13, 1981 at Holy Shoghagat Church Hall, Belleville, Illinois. Invocation was given by Very Rev. Jirayr Tashjian.

Meeting was conducted by Michael Yapchaian, Central Council Chairman. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Financial report was read and approved.

Archbishop Tournament - Sue Boyajian reported net profit of \$4,970.00.

Public Relations Committee - Waukegan - Not present.

Cultural Committee - Toronto - Not present.

Mike Yapchaian announced each Chapter is responsible for upcoming events.

Calendar of Events - Wisconsin Chapter - Nancy Chobanian reported mailings were sent to Chairpersons but responses were few.

Motion was made by Nancy Chobanian Calendar of Events year would be from August through December and sent to Wisconsin Chapter by Mid July. Kai Kazarian seconded, and motion was passed.

Sports Weekend - Chicago - Michelle Babikian reported mailings have been completed for Midwest Region. Cost will be \$15.00 pre-weekend plan (Wednesday & Thursday), \$99.00 (Friday to Monday). Reservations must be in by August 12th with \$39.00 deposit including 75% deposit for room. Persons under 18 not permitted to stay in Hotel. Next Mailing will be before the end of June and Ad forms should be sent in by July 1st. Vahan Janjigian reported deadline on list for team sporting events to be August 15th. Schedule of events was passed out by Michelle Babikian.

Central Council Report - Read by Mike Yapchaian. Jim Magarian reported there were 18 participants for the Armenian Studies Program.

Sub Group Comments - Mission Program - Tentative dates would be week of Armenian Christmas. Sue Boyajian brought up goals and objectives should be more clearly stated.

Martyrs Day Run - Nancy Chobanian suggested list be compiled of where donations should be directed.

Mike Yapchaian suggested that Chapters get their membership renewal forms and monthly reports mailed monthly and annually promptly.

Continued.

Discussion was made that outgoing officers should make report outlining their strengths and weaknesses during their term in office, to aid incoming officers.

Motion was made by Cheryl Arslanian, each chapter committee absentee submit a report to regional meeting. Motion was seconded by Lisa Akgulian and passed.

Vahan Janjigian brought up need of more cultural and spirtual activities for future goals of ACYOA along with the present social and sports activities.

Computerized listing of the ACYOA Mailing List was distributed by Mike Yapchaian.

Motion for adjournment was made by Nancy Chobanian, seconded by Marisa Armagan, and adjourned at 3 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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