

ACYOA

General Assembly
Armenian Church Youth Organization of America
Diocese of the Armenian Church
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The following Constitutional amendment and proposal have been properly submitted for review by the Amendments and Proposals Committee of the ACYOA General Assembly. These are provided here for your information. Any other amendment or proposal will require a three-fourths acceptance vote of the Assembly for consideration at the Assembly this year.

St. James Armenian Apostolic Church

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Constitution Amendments

The following proposed Constitutional Amendments are submitted by the St. James Watertown ACYOA Chapter:

Article 8 Chapter Executive Committee:

Section 8. The President of the Chapter shall be the Pastor in charge of the local Parish. The President

Proposed Amendment:

Section 8. The President of the Chapter shall be the Pastor in charge of the local parish or such representative delegated by the Pastor and employed by the Parish for youth activities. The President of the Chapter shall have the responsibility of insuring all action taken by the Chapter or any of its committees is consistent with the objectives and policies of this Constitution. The President shall preside over the Chapter Annual Membership and Monthly Membership Meetings. In case of a tie in any voting, the President shall cast the deciding vote. In the event there is no local Pastor or Parish Council, the Chapter Chairman and A.C.Y.O.A. Central Council shall have these responsibilities.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ACYOA NATIONAL SPORTS WEEKEND RULES & REGULATIONS

ARTICLE 4

Section 2
(presently reads)

There will be an overall award for the chapter accumulating the most points during the sports competition.

Proposed Amendment:

To eliminate the overall award for the chapter accumulating the most points during the sports competition, and therefore to retire the Babayan Cup.

REASONS

- 1.) Most chapters have a small number of active members who participate in Sports Weekend. Therefore, the only true contenders for this award are the host chapter (because of "home court" advantage and temporary recruitment of members) and one of the larger chapters.
- 2.) In an effort to accumulate more team points, many overzealous chapters register a few "ringer" athletes in many events. This practice consistently creates scheduling problems for the host chapter. The resulting confusion prolongs Friday night team meetings, delays matches, frustrates and angers athletes and creates needless tension amongst everyone involved.
- 3.) In true Olympic competition, no one nation is awarded a trophy for accumulating the highest number of points. Therefore, to make Sports Weekend more akin to the Olympics, the Babayan Cup should be retired.
- 4.) Fierce and lasting rivalries between chapters scrambling any way they can for as many points as possible would be reduced substantially. This would create healthier competition, feelings of good-will, and a more cohesive atmosphere amongst the different chapters.

Respectfully submitted by:

Palos Heights ACYOA Seniors

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