

MINUTES OF THE 1981 PARISH ASSEMBLY

St. Leon Armenian Church
Fair Lawn, N. J.

The Parish Assembly of St. Leon Armenian Church, 12-61 Saddle River Road, Fair Lawn, was opened at noon on Sunday, February 1, 1981 by Parish Council Chairman, Charles Pinajian. A quorum was declared: 94 eligible voters were present out of a 192 count.

The minutes of the 1980 Parish Assembly were read by Charles Pinajian and accepted without changes, corrections or additions.

Al Voskian was elected as a parliamentarian for this assembly. Sarkis Soultanian and Agnes Kapoian were elected to the following positions: Sarkis Soultanian to chair the assembly and Agnes Kapoian as recording secretary.

Without objection from the assembly, item 7 of the agenda (elections) was moved up. Business at hand continued as the tabulations of the election ballots were in process.

Der Paree Metjian delivered his Annual Pastor's Report in English. The Parish Council and Organizational Reports were silently reviewed from printed reports and all questions raised were directed to the respective heads of each organization.

Armenian School - Marie Dellakian answered all questions pertaining to Armenian School. With regard to tuition and how it applied to members and non-members of the church, she stated \$35 per student, member or non-member of the church. If 2 from same family, \$65. Mirjan Kirian complimented the Armenian School for its efforts to be self-sustaining monetarily.

Sunday School - No questions asked. Der Paree briefly indicated that Sunday School required financial support due to its position as a non-money making entity. Children should be taught

at an early age to give more generously in the offerings if any funds at all were to be realized.

Senior Center - In the absence of Harry Boyadjian, a member of this body reported that all was well with the group. Upon further questions poised, Mr. Dellakian had indicated, to the best of his knowledge, that the group had organizational problems and may require some attention.

The Auditing Committee recommended that future reports should list the names of all officers in each of the organizational reports including the Parish Council reports.

Vahram Varjabedian gave a summary of Receipts & Disbursements. All organization reporting were found to be satisfactory and acceptable.

The Proposed Budget for 1981 was accepted by the assembly with no additions.

Community Center - Zaven Dadekian answered all questions pertaining to Center. Building was going up ahead of schedule. A mortgage will be required - approximately \$250,000 - \$275,000 depending on funds coming into St. Leon. Memorial Committee is set up to handle memorials.

Sarkis Gabrellian raised the question why we hadn't fulfilled the 3rd Diocesan Delagates position as we were entitled to that number. After a lengthy discussion it was noted that the Parish Council will further review the matter.

The assembly went on record to officially welcome the AGBU into the area.

Sarkis Soultanian announced the balloting results which are as follows:

CANDIDATES FOR PARISH COUNCIL

Charles Pinajian

Harry Zoraian

Sarkis Soultanian

Dorothy Karamian

Noubar Jessourian

James Soojian

1st Alternate - Alfred Voskian

2nd " - Steve Kachigian

CANDIDATES FOR AUDITING COMMITTEE

Vahram Varjabedian

Jack Loughead

Sarkis Gabrellian

Alternate - Berdjouhi Federdjian

CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Sarkis Bedevian

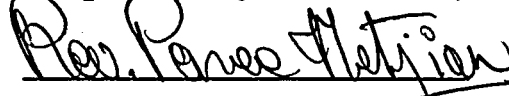
John Nakashian

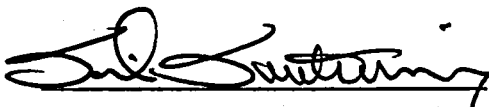
Sebouh Jessourian

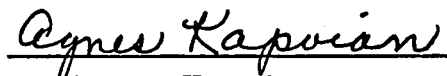
Alternate - Agnes Voskian

Der Parea in his concluding remarks expressed his appreciation to all the organizations and the community working together for the betterment of our church. He furthermore stated that the community center will create greater involvement and he assured everyone that working together we will meet greater challenges as well.

Respectfully submitted,


Reverend Parea Metjian
Pastor


Sarkis Soultanian
Assembly Chairman


Agnes Kapoian
Recording Secretary

February 1, 1981