ARMENIAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY RESURRECTION

New Britain, Conn.

Minutes of the Parish Assembly 1986 held Jan. 26, 1986

The meeting was called to order by Given Hoosigian, chairman of the parish council at 12:45 p.m. Immediately thereafter the parishioners were allowed to cast their ballets for the various offices. The meeting was reconvened at 1:15 p.m. Father Vartan opened the meeting with a prayer.

Hurach Azarigian was elected to be the chairperson for the Assembly. Queenie Hovhanessian was elected and served as the secretary for the Assembly.

A moment of silent prayer was held to remember the deceased members of the parish.

John Chiloyan read the minutes of the 1985 Parish Assembly. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report as read. Motion was carried.

Father Vartan gave the Pastor's report.

Given Hoosigian read the Parish Council report.

Hurach Azarigian read the Auditor's report.

Prior to accepting all three of these reports, a recommendation was given to the Parish Council that individual amounts for "in lieu of flowers" and banquet donations not be listed in the Church publication; just names and a grand total amount. The Council said it would give it consideration. Harry DerAssadourian made a motion to accept all three (3) reports as read; seconded by Alice Bagdigian. The motion was carried.

All church organizations gave their reports of income, expenses and yearly activities. A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept all given reports as read.

Paul Abrahamian reported to us on the New England Regionalization program. Each church has 3 representatives at these meetings; the parish priest, the parish council chairman and the regional council member who was appointed by the council. It should be noted that in 1985 Paul Abrahamain participated at the meetings that were held and Peter Bagdigian, Sr. went with Paul as a representative of the Parish Council. The council chairman and the parish priest were unable to attend the meetings. The Regionalization program is broken down into categories and we have representation by the following parishioners:

Guy Simonian Queenie Hovhanessian Hurach Azarigian religious
public relations
finance

The Search Committee gave a report; in brief, here is an outline of the contents. After discussions, phone calls and meeting with Surpazan Hayr, the search committee has one candidate who would be available possibly to replace Father Vartan who will retire as of June 30, 1986. The candidate is Fr. Michael Buttero. If Fr. Michael and the New Britain parish can come to an agreement then it will be Surpazan Hayr who will make the final decision as to whether or not he feels this is a suitable situation for all concerned.

Under old business, Mrs. Arshal Hoosigian reminded this body that she had made a motion last year to read the names of the deceased just prior to the silent prayer. The Council apolegized for not having prepared the names and will see to it that the names be read hereafter.

Lucy Simonian made a recommendation that the names of those parish council members still in office at the time of election be made known to the parishioners just prior to voting time.

The new budget was presented. After a few questions and adequate answers, regarding the clergy insurance and property insurance, Charles Hovsepian made a motion to accept the new budget seconded by Berj Kallajian. The motion was carried.

Donald Azarigian made a motion to give the Parish Council permission to purchase a new organ if and when the organ breaks down before we have the necessary funds from the special funds account; The total purchase price not to exceed \$ 10,000.00. The motion was seconded by Sarah Yagoobian. It passed unanimously.

Arthur Simonian made a strong recommendation to be patient and wait to see if someone or a few persons might donate the organ as a living memorial.

The existing committee that has worked for two (2) yrs. on the Parishioner of the Year award asked the assembly to please replace those members who no longer wished to serve. Sue DerMargosian recommended to the Parish Council to first ask the member of the now working committee if he or she wishes to remain—then to choose replacements for those who wish to decline their positions. The Council agreed to take action.

Harry Azarigian again recommended that the #system be given consideration. The page numbers would be displayed on either side of the altar to correspond with where a person could pick up the blue books that are placed in the pews and would help to simply following the Divine Liturgy for those who are now unable to do so, when they come in during the Badarak.

The following names are the election results:

Parish Council		<u>Delegates</u>
Charles Hovsepian Hurach Azarigian Harry Hougas Richard Kallajian Emil Mosey	60 50 45 42 38	Arthur Simonian 46 Edward Simonian 42
Auditors		Nominating Committee
George Simonian Ruth Waite Louise Bagdasarian	51 51 <i>3</i> 9	Lillian Azarigian 43 Rose Mosey 41 Lucy Simonian 36

The assembly congratulated the winners of the election. They also gave Hurach Azarigian a round of applause. Father Vartan commended Hurach for conducting and keeping the meeting very orderly and controlled. We all enjoyed participating at this meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m. closed by a prayer led by Father Vartan.

It should be noted in closing that a delicious light luncheon was served to us by our A.C.Y.O.A. Jrs. and Srs. prior to the start of the assembly.

Fr. Vartan DerAssadourian, Pastor Pres.

Hurach Azarigian, Assembly Chairman

Queenie Hovbanessian Rec. Secretary &