

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH
1984 ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY MEETING

JANUARY 27, 1985

The Annual Parish Assembly Meeting was convened in the Church immediately following the Badarak. The Parish Council Chairman, Charles Genjian, opened the meeting asking for nominations for Chairman to preside over the annual meeting. Mr. Richard Hachadoorian was unanimously elected by the members present. The floor was then opened for nominations for Secretary. Mr. Philip Arpiarian was unanimously elected.

Motion was made and passed to adjourn the meeting to reconvene at the Church Center after lunch break.

The meeting was reconvened by Mr. Richard Hachadoorian at which time he requested that he be relieved of the Chairmanship. The Assembly then unanimously elected Mr. Zaven Hovsepian to be Chairman of the Annual Assembly. There were 62 members present.

The Chair recognized Mr. Thomas Dabakian who made a motion to close the voting for Parish Council Members, Auditing Committee and Nominating Committee at 1:30PM. Motion was seconded and carried.

The Minutes of the 1983 Parish Assembly were accepted as read.

The Auditing Committee report was presented by Mr. Armen Kalbian. The official records of each organization were reported to be in order. Mr. Kalbian praised the excellent job performed by the Treasurer of the Women's Guild, Artemis Koundakjian; and all the Treasurers of the Parish Council, Senior Citizens, the Choir, Sunday School and Ladies Educational Society. Motion was made by Mrs. Alice Foronjy to accept the Auditing Committee Report as presented. Motion seconded and carried.

The Chairman suggested that the reading of the individual organization reports be suspended. Motion made in support of the Chairman's suggestion. Following a second of the motion the members present were given time to read the reports after which the motion was carried.

The 1985 Budget was then presented to the Assembly by the Chairman. Each item of receipts and disbursements were presented to discussion. The following items were explored in detail.

- A. Equipment Replacement - included the acquisition of a computer to aid the Treasurer and Secretary in the preparation and maintenance of financial and historical documents. Motion was made, seconded and carried to retain the budget item.

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- B. Maintenance/Renovations - included the cost of installation of a conveyor in the Church Center to facilitate the moving of items and the renovation of the rest rooms in the Church Basement. Motion made, seconded and carried to retain the budget item.
- C. Christmas Party - question was raised regarding the need for the Parish Christmas Party. Following a short discussion, a motion was made, seconded and carried to retain the budget item.

Motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the 1985 Budget as proposed by the Parish Council.

The Chairman then opened the floor for the discussion of OLD BUSINESS.

Mr. Lud Shahbazian presented a few brief comments regarding the Endowment Fund urging the continued participation of all the parishioners.

The Chairman then opened the floor for discussion of NEW BUSINESS.

- A. Proposal presented by the Parish Council to reinvest the interest from the Endowment Fund into the Endowment Fund and that a committee be appointed by the Assembly to manage the Fund. After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made and seconded and carried giving the Parish Council the authority to decide on the use of the 1984 interest and the responsibility for creating a set of "Guide Lines" to define the duties, responsibilities and authority of the Endowment Fund Management Committee.
- B. Proposal submitted by the Parish Council to add a "Kumpet" on the Church. Following a discussion which explored costs, feasibility and appearance, a motion was made, seconded and not carried to add a "Kumpet." A second motion was made, seconded and carried directing the Parish Council to investigate and present a new proposal to the Assembly at a special meeting regarding renovations to the skylight.
- C. Mr. John Hovsepian, Delegate, provided a brief description of the proposed "high rise" structure to be constructed on the Diocesan property in New York. He requested a vote from the Assembly to reflect the concensus regarding this structure. Motion was made, seconded and carried against the proposed construction.

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The Chairman of the Nominating Committee presented the results of the balloting.

PARISH COUNCIL: Philip Arpiarian
Robert Borgersen
Armen Kalbian
Arpena Sbarbaro
Charles Shenloogian
Richard Tarzian

Alternate: Gregory Zarifian

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Harold Azmelian
Thomas Dabakian
John Hovsepian

AUDITING COMMITTEE: Herbert Takakjian
John Hovsepian
David Kalbian


The Chairman invited Fr. Carnig Hallajian, Pastor, to present his annual report. Der Hayr cited the declining enrollment in the Sunday School and Armenian School, but stressed that even if we had only one child in the Schools that would benefit, it is all worth the effort.


He thanked the parishioners and executive committees of the Church organizations for all their efforts on behalf of Holy Cross. Der Hayr concluded with special thanks to the parishioners for their support and understanding during the trying time of the loss of Yeretzgin Rose.

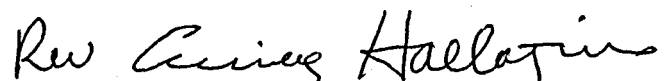
A special thank you was expressed by Mr. Zaven Hovsepian, Chairman of the Meeting on behalf of himself and Ann Dadaian, to Mr. Harold Azmelian for his invaluable service throughout the year in taking care of the bookkeeping and other chores with respect to the Treasurer's books.

The meeting was concluded with special prayers in remembrance of all the deceased parishioners of the Holy Cross Armenian Church who have contributed to the progress of our beloved Parish.

Respectfully submitted,


PHILIP ARPIARIAN
Recording Secretary


ZAVEN HOVSEPIAN
Chairman


REV. FR. CARNIG HALLAJIAN
Pastor-President