

MINUTES OF ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY OF ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH

PART I

Sunday, January 31, 1982

President	Rev. Arnak Kasparian
Chairman	Antranig Ouzoonian
Co-Chairman	Ronald Kenderian
Secretary	Martha Saraydarian

Mr. Antranig Ouzoonian, Chairman of the 1982 Parish Assembly, opened the meeting at 12:15 P.M. After introducing the officers of the 1982 Assembly, he explained that the Parish Assembly has been divided into two parts. Part I consists of: a. introduction of candidates, b. accepting nominations from the floor, and c. any old or new business which the parish members feel should be added to the agenda for discussion.

Deacon Armen Basmajian was called upon to give the opening prayer. Martha Saraydarian read the 1981 Parish Assembly minutes. Anthony Ajemian made a motion to accept the minutes as read. It was seconded by Paul Kahaumjian and the motion was carried.

Mr. Ouzoonian recommended to the Parish Council that the Parish Assembly minutes be included with the Annual Assembly Report in order to give church members an opportunity to read them beforehand.

Mr. Peter Jamgochian suggested that only excerpts of the minutes be included as it is very costly to reproduce so many copies. Mr. George Mekenian made a motion that excerpts of the Parish Assembly minutes be included with the Annual Assembly Report. Mrs. Alicia Demirjian seconded and the motion was carried.

Mr. Ouzoonian then introduced Susan Shamamian, Nominating Committee Chairperson. Susan thanked her committee as well as Rose Mekenian for her guidance. Ms. Shamamian proceeded to present the Assembly with a slate of nominees for Parish Council, Diocesan Delegate, Auditing Committee, Nominating Committee, and 1983 Parish

Assembly Officers. Chairman Ouzoonian asked for nominations from the floor after the nominees from each category were presented. There being no new nominations from the floor, the slate was accepted as such. Susan Shamamian then announced that Mr. Edward Bashian's name was submitted for the Board of Trustees by Parish Council.

Mr. Ouzoonian thanked Susan and her committee for a job well done.

At this time, Chairman Ouzoonian opened the floor for suggestions of old or new business which should be brought up for discussion at the February 7 session of the Parish Assembly. Mr. Ouzoonian felt that each item suggested should be voted on to avoid too many small items being brought to the second session.

Mr. Paul Kahaumjian commented that the Annual Car Raffle was not listed under Mens Club in the Treasurer's Report as previously agreed, but is still listed under the category of Other. It was explained by Mr. Jamjochian that the error has been taken care of.

Mrs. Louise Kalemkerian suggested that as per Diocesan directive, 1% of our yearly budget be donated to St. Nerses Seminary for theological education and that this item be put into our budget. Mr. Jamgochian responded that this should be brought up for discussion during the budget review.

Mrs. Dikris Malool suggested that the parish should expend energy toward the formation of a youth group not affiliated with the A.C.Y.O.A. for all those 18 years and older. Peter Jamgochian answered that the Parish Council has a suggestion along those same lines in its Annual Report.

There being no further business, Michel Izmirly made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Samuel Demirjian. The meeting ended at 1:15 P.M.